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# Springfield doctors join push for statewide insurance reform

Gov. JB Pritzker wants to address “predatory health insurance practices”

INSURANCE | Dean Olsen

Two Springfield doctors are part of Gov. JB Pritzker’s push to reform what he called “predatory health insurance practices.”

The Democratic governor’s proposed Healthcare Protection Act would ban “step therapy,” which can delay patients’ access to more-expensive medicines until cheaper medicines are tried first.

House Bill 5395 also would ban requiring prior authorization for inpatient admissions involving crisis mental health care, and it would impose more rules and harsher penalties for insurance companies to prevent the promotion of “ghost networks” of medical providers.

The bill also would make Illinois the first state in the nation to have the right to turn down premium increases proposed by insurers for the “large-group” market, which covers places of employment with 51 or more workers.

The bill “puts power back in the hands of patients and their doctors, where it belongs,” Pritzker said at a news conference March 13 after a hearing on the bill in front of an Illinois House committee.

But Laura Minzer, president of the Springfield-based Illinois Life and Health Insurance Council – a group advocating on behalf of the health insurance industry – said the 45-page bill could lead to “significant cost increases” for patients and employers without necessarily improving care.

She said the ban on some prior authorizations “threaten unintended consequences for the patient if the insurer, upon retrospective review of the services and treatments rendered, determines that some of those services are not covered by their policy, leaving the patient on the hook for hundreds if not thousands of dollars in medical expenses at a time they least need that added stress.”

Minzer testified that the insurance industry seeks “solutions, not quarrels. We seek progress, not regression.” Minzer told *Illinois Times* on



Dr. Leslie Dignan-Moore, an obstetrician/gynecologist at Springfield Clinic, speaks March 13 at a news conference with Gov. JB Pritzker and other supporters of the proposed Healthcare Protection Act. PHOTO COURTESY SPRINGFIELD CLINIC.

March 19, “There’s a potential to get a good compromise, but it’s a lot of details.”

She noted that the bill wouldn’t affect the 60% or more of patients in Illinois’ private insurance market because those patients are covered through large employers with self-funded plans. Such plans are regulated by the federal government and exempt from state insurance regulations. The bill’s provisions dealing with step therapy and ghost networks wouldn’t affect the Medicaid program and its patients.

Dr. Leslie Dignan-Moore, an obstetrician/gynecologist at Springfield Clinic, testified in committee about the provider directories made available to patients insured by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois after Blue Cross removed the clinic as an in-network provider in 2021.

The directories purported to list alternate providers ready to serve patients, she said. But she said the list “can only be described as a ghost network.”

The directories were a “robust-looking list of providers that ultimately provided dead end after dead end for our patients,” she said.

Dr. Mary Dobbins, a pediatrician and child psychiatrist at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, also testified and said at the news conference that the bill “literally addresses life-and-death issues.”

She said the ongoing shortage of mental-health professionals is “artificially magnified” by insurance requirements and restrictions. “Care is commonly delayed, inaccessible, inadequate or even completely denied,” she said.

The chief sponsors of the bill, which hasn’t yet been voted on by the House or Senate, are state Rep. Anna Moeller, D-Elgin, and state Sen. Robert Peters, D-Chicago. Supporters of the bill said they hope it receives backing from Republicans, as well, and Pritzker said protecting patients shouldn’t be a partisan issue.

The “utilization management” practices targeted by the legislation are designed by insurers to “boost profits” and have “never been about supporting patients,” Pritzker said. “The sole purpose is the corporate bottom line.”

Illinois joined the majority of states a year ago in giving Illinois officials the right to turn down proposed premium increases in the small-employer and individual market. That provision takes effect in 2026.

State oversight of premiums “prevents insurance companies from unfairly jacking up

rates on consumers,” Pritzker said.

“Illinoisans who are suffering should not have to jump through hurdle after hurdle to get the care that they need to survive,” he said. “I know the insurance companies will fight us on this, but I’m not willing to play political games with the health of Illinoisans.”

Chicago-based Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois, which restored Springfield Clinic to in-network status in January for many but not all people covered by Blue Cross plans, declined to comment on the bill.

Dignan-Moore didn’t refer to Blue Cross by name in her comments but said most of the listed 99 providers for obstetrical and gynecological care outside of Springfield Clinic didn’t deliver babies, were farther away from patients than what state rules allowed, weren’t accepting new patients or were otherwise unavailable.

“Of the 99 listed, only four were accepting patients within the time and distance requirements,” she said. “The helplessness that swept over our patients as they realized the lack of alternative options was overwhelming.”

The result was that many patients delayed pregnancies, mammograms and gynecological exams, Dignan-Moore said.

There also were “major issues” with the number of alternative providers to patients outside Springfield Clinic in rheumatology, radiation oncology, ophthalmology, allergy, nephrology, gastroenterology and dermatology, Dignan-Moore said.

Dobbins, who spoke on behalf of the Illinois chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, recounted the case of a 12-year-old patient in need of mental-health hospitalization who had to remain in an emergency room for four days while doctors sought prior authorization for admission.

Dobbins said a 14-year-old patient was denied a hospital admission during a mental-health emergency because the suicide note she wrote that her father brought in had been written three days earlier.

A teen with an eating disorder who was deteriorating physically couldn’t be hospitalized because an insurance company wouldn’t pay for it “until she was medically compromised and in danger,” Dobbins said. □

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## Editor’s note

*New York Times* columnist Nicholas Kristof noted this week that President Joe Biden has been talking increasingly tougher to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu about the humanitarian toll in Gaza caused by Israel’s war tactics. But Netanyahu continues to ignore the White House. Kristof quoted Israeli defense minister Moshe Dayan, speaking to an American in 1967. “Our American friends offer us money, arms and advice,” he said. “We take the money, we take the arms, and we decline the advice.” But what if America told Israel it would get aid only if it took the advice? “Then we would have to take the advice, too,” Dayan replied. — Fletcher Farrar, editor

# Building “an ecosystem of solutions” on the east side

New city, state funding for CAP 1908 will allow for acquisition of two adjacent buildings

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT | Dean Olsen**

A year from now, Dominic Watson expects to open a shared kitchen and culinary incubator for dozens of emerging minority-owned businesses in a 30,000-square-foot building at 11th Street and South Grand Avenue East.

A year or two after that, his plans call for the former South Town Theater building – on the same block on Springfield’s east side – to become a performing arts center and offer early childhood and afterschool programs rooted in the arts.

“One of our larger missions for this location has been to build an ecosystem of solutions to address a lot of the socioeconomic challenges that exist, not just in Springfield as a whole, but nationally, for underserved populations,” Watson told *Illinois Times*.

The goals Watson outlined as president of The Springfield Project got a big boost when the Springfield City Council on March 5 approved a \$500,000 allocation to the nonprofit from the Far East Tax Increment Financing District.

Most of the money will be used by The Springfield Project to buy the former Madison Furniture building at 1104 South Grand Avenue E., as well as the adjacent former theater, now used as a stained-glass studio and sales location, at 1110 South Grand Ave.

Some of the funds, generated from property tax revenue from the TIF district, will be used for consulting work to plan for future phases of what is known as CAP 1908, which stands for Springfield Project’s Community Access Project.

Watson said the building purchases are key for the future second and third phases of CAP 1908. The title harkens back to the year of the Springfield Race Riot and is signified by a mural on the western exterior wall of 1100 South Grand that depicts an Sankofa bird – an African symbol – rising and overcoming adversity.

CAP 1908, according to Watson, is a “comprehensive redevelopment plan” with three major areas of focus.

The first, a social innovation center and co-working area for minority entrepreneurs and business-related programming for young people, opened in 2023 at 1100 South Grand Ave.

That building was purchased with a \$179,000 federal block grant allocated by the City Council in 2022 and furnished largely with donated materials, along with a \$40,000 donation from Molina Healthcare of Illinois.

The center already has begun offering free financial literacy classes and rented office space on the 10,000 square foot first floor. The development



**Dominic Watson, president of The Springfield Project and of the Springfield Black Chamber of Commerce, has spearheaded development of Community Assess Project 1908 on the city’s east side.** PHOTO BY DEAN OLSEN.

of more rental office space is planned this spring, Watson said.

A smaller area on the second floor soon will provide office space for one of the Springfield Police Department’s neighborhood police officers and Lynard Joiner’s nonprofit, Shifting Into New Gear, to help formerly incarcerated people successfully transition after release from prison.

“We’re all about capacity-building for other organizations and also providing programming for underserved populations, as well,” said Watson, who also serves as president of the Springfield Black Chamber of Commerce.

The second phase, the culinary incubator and space for entrepreneurs to use for podcasting and other tech-based services, will be on the first floor of the 30,000-square-foot former furniture store at 1104 South Grand.

The second floor of that building will house office space and areas for tele-health services offered by health care organizations.

Watson said the building will be renovated with a \$1.6 million federal grant secured by U.S. Rep. Nikki Budzinski, D-Springfield. The grant was part of \$136 million in funding for the 13th Congressional District that was included in a bipartisan government funding bill recently signed into law by President Joe Biden.

The culinary incubator will help many struggling entrepreneurs scale up their businesses, Watson said.

“We know of 50 cottage kitchen entrepreneurs who are minorities,” he said.

CAP 1908, in the long term, will spur economic activity and increased property values on the east

side and increased property tax revenues for the city, he said. The Springfield Project will not seek property tax exemptions for the Grand Avenue East buildings, he said.

The third phase of CAP 1908, the performing arts center and space for a Head Start-like early childhood education program and afterschool activities, would require about \$2 million in renovations to the two-story, 10,000-square-foot former theater building, Watson said.

A source of funding for the third phase hasn’t been identified, but he said some money could come from the \$3 million being made available through future grants from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for the recent state-designated Southtown Cultural District.

The state unveiled 10 cultural districts in Chicago, Champaign and Springfield in February. The Springfield Project is the host entity for the Southtown Cultural District. The Springfield Urban League is the host entity for Springfield’s Central East Cultural District.

“Bringing state-designated cultural districts to Springfield is a monumental step in the right direction for the community and the state,” state Sen. Doris Turner, D-Springfield, said in a news release. “These official designations are essential to preserving the history of our state, highlighting the legacy and significant contributions of Black Illinoisans from the Great Migration and onward.”

The Springfield Project has four full-time and three part-time employees and will need more as CAP 1908 is built out, Watson said.

The 39-year-old married father of six isn’t

paid as president of The Springfield Project or the Springfield Black Chamber of Commerce and works another full-time job.

Springfield Project’s current employees are paid through a three-year grant from state adult-use cannabis tax revenue that ends in June 2025.

“Our model has been slow and steady wins the race,” Watson said, “and so we are very much focused on not growing too big too fast. I would say that we’ve been extremely successful, given the initial investment we were given by the city.”

The City Council’s 10-0 vote to grant the \$500,000 in TIF funding came after some heated debate. The council decided to provide most of the TIF money up front rather than its previous practice of requiring an organization to finance purchases and improvements and then requesting reimbursement from the city.

Watson asked for the money ahead of time to avoid financing charges, but during debate on the request, that option was opposed by alderpersons Chuck Redpath of Ward 1, Erin Conley of Ward 8 and Ralph Hanauer of Ward 10.

Conley said CAP 1908 is “an admirable project,” but she wanted city staff to check how other communities safeguard TIF dollars from abuse before the city “makes this type of exception.”

However, all opposition evaporated when Mayor Misty Buscher – whose candidacy was supported in the April 2023 election by the three alderpersons – suggested the council deviate from its usual past practice in this instance.

Conley told Buscher, “It’s your administration,” as she withdrew her opposition.

Ward 3 Ald. Roy Williams Jr., a supporter of the project and an occasional critic of Buscher, said later that the mayor “raised the magic wand” to ensure a successful vote from alderpersons.

“It’s amazing,” he said. “Our council – that’s how they operate. They don’t have true convictions. ... In my opinion, that’s strictly political.”

Ward 2 Ald. Shawn Gregory, in whose ward CAP 1908 sits, said he was relieved after the vote that CAP 1908 wouldn’t have to endure funding delays and additional costs.

“It shows our community that there are people in government who are thinking about our community,” he said. “This is the poorest area of our entire city. ... We are going to see some fantastic things.” □

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# ISP concludes investigation into shooting at juvenile detention center

Still not clear how teen obtained the gun he fired before being shot and killed by police

JUVENILE JUSTICE | Dean Olsen

An Illinois State Police investigation failed to determine how a 17-year-old obtained the handgun he fired inside the Sangamon County Juvenile Detention Center and carried as he tried to escape the facility with a hostage Sept. 30 before being shot by police.

Camren Marcelis Darden, 17, was hit by several rounds fired from a semi-automatic rifle by veteran Springfield police officer Brian Riebeling a few minutes before 8 p.m. Sept. 30. Darden was transported to HSHS St. John's Hospital, where he was pronounced dead about two hours later.

"The investigation did not conclusively determine how the gun got into the detention center and into the hands of the juvenile," Sangamon County State's Attorney John Milhiser said in a statement to *Illinois Times*.

"There is no evidence in the investigation to support a finding that the juvenile had an accomplice or was otherwise assisted in obtaining the gun," he said. "My review of the investigation did determine that there is no evidence to support criminal charges against anyone relating to this incident."

Milhiser's statement to *Illinois Times* came after ISP officials confirmed to the newspaper that they had completed their probe and turned the results over to Milhiser.

It's possible that authorities may never learn how Darden obtained the gun, Circuit Judge Ryan Cadagin said.

"This was a tragedy that everyone is working hard to prevent from ever happening again," he said.

The weapon – a Turkish-made Girsan 9 mm pistol 6 to 7 inches long and weighing 1.5 to two pounds – can be seen on the ground at the entrance to the detention center along South Dirksen Parkway in narrated video footage released by Springfield police on Dec. 6.

Darden, a Springfield resident, died from wounds caused by "fewer than a half-dozen rounds," according to Sangamon County Coroner Jim Allmon.

The ISP's written findings, numbering several hundred pages, weren't immediately available to *Illinois Times*, but the newspaper has filed a Freedom of Information request with the agency to obtain a report.

When asked whether Darden might have had the handgun with him when Springfield

police brought him to the county-operated center for pretrial detention, Milhiser wouldn't comment on that possibility or other potential scenarios that would have overcome the center's security measures.

Springfield Police Chief Kenneth Scarlette said Darden was "patted down" to check for weapons when he was arrested, put in a squad car and brought to the police station for questioning before he was brought to the detention center on Sept. 11.

Darden was detained for several hours and under video surveillance while at the station, but police who reviewed the footage found nothing amiss, Scarlette said.

The chief wouldn't rule out the possibility of Darden smuggling a gun into the center when he was admitted there. Scarlette said the incident has underscored the importance of thorough body checks.

The chief said body-cavity searches of people who are arrested are uncommon without a court warrant.

Scarlette said the detention center would benefit from a "more robust way of screening."

He said he wasn't surprised that state police were unable to determine how Darden got ahold of the gun.

"You're essentially looking at a needle in a haystack," Scarlette said. He added, "There are any number of ways it could have gotten into the facility." He declined to speculate on those ways.

Cadagin, the 7th Judicial Circuit's presiding judge for Sangamon County, said it's his goal to reopen the detention center "as soon as it's safe to open." He wouldn't estimate a timeline for reopening.

Circuit Judge Christopher Reif, the Jacksonville-based chief judge for the six-county 7th Circuit, said, "Our No. 1 priority is the safety of the juveniles and the staff."

The detention center is owned and operated by Sangamon County government and supervised by the 7th Circuit judges. It has been closed since the incident to allow for the ISP investigation.

Before the center opens, however, Kent Holsopple, director of Sangamon County court services, told *Illinois Times* on March 18 that "several facility policies and operational changes will be put in place to address all possible safety concerns."

"Additional security measures will be put

into place in the facility, including the use of a body scanner to better detect any potential contraband when youth are brought into the facility and new/upgraded cameras in and around the facility," Holsopple said in a statement.

The center currently uses metal detectors of various types. It appears the body scanner would go beyond what is currently available and would be similar to the scanner inmates go through when they are booked into the Sangamon County Jail.

The projected cost for Sangamon County government to upgrade security at the center was unavailable.

Holsopple said "sufficient staffing for the facility also remains a top priority in reopening planning."

The facility has 22 staff positions that are part of its \$2.7 million annual budget, but the center has been less than 50% staffed while admissions have been suspended, he said.

The Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, through the Illinois Supreme Court's budget, reimburses counties for the salaries of approved detention center staff members.

Milhiser said the ISP investigation included interviews with more than 50 people and a review of more than 2,000 hours of video from the detention center and footage from police body cameras.

The probe focused at first on the use of force by Springfield police. Milhiser said he agreed with his predecessor, now Associate Circuit Judge Dan Wright, that Reibeling "was justified in the use of deadly force."

Wright decided that criminal charges weren't warranted against Reibeling. Milhiser has said Reibeling won't face any criminal charges in the case, and neither will Chance Taylor, who was an officer-in-training at the time and accompanied Reibeling when they responded to the detention center's 911 call. Scarlette said neither man will face internal disciplinary action, either.

Police said Darden fired shots from the handgun at other detainees and staff members inside the facility before trying to leave with a 16-year-old female as a hostage before being shot by Reibeling. The female was a detainee, as well, Scarlette said.

No one was hit by the bullets fired by Darden.

Springfield resident Camille Darden, 34, Camren Darden's mother, said police

overreacted in their handling of the incident. She said Reibeling should be disciplined or criminally charged.

"They didn't have to shoot him and kill him," she said.

Darden, a server at a restaurant and a single mother with three surviving children, all younger than Camren, said law enforcement personnel should have made sure her son didn't have access to firearms inside the detention center.

She said she hadn't voiced her dissatisfaction to police or the state's attorney because she was too upset.

Camille Darden said her son was being held at the center after being charged in juvenile court with possession of stolen property.

Camren previously was incarcerated for six months at an Illinois youth center,

Camille Darden said. She said she didn't know what crime or crimes led to that incarceration but said her son had been arrested in the past for stealing a car and for driving stolen vehicles.

Milhiser wouldn't confirm details of Camren Darden's criminal history, citing confidentiality rules associated with juvenile cases.

Camille Darden said Camren was a quiet person who attended Springfield High School but didn't graduate because of his involvement with the criminal justice system.

Scarlette narrated the police video of the incident that was released in December and said at its conclusion: "Law enforcement is a dangerous profession that often requires split-second decision-making. It is this decision-making that can oftentimes be the difference maker as it pertains to active shooting incidents.

"I commend the professionalism of all responding officers, and I'm grateful this terrible incident was brought to a swift resolution. While the death is tragic, the instantaneous, organized response, which was carried out exactly how the officers were trained, clearly prevented additional loss of life."

Scarlette said the temporary closure, combined with capacity issues at the more than a dozen county-operated juvenile detention centers throughout the state, has resulted in six Sangamon County juveniles being released to family members rather than being detained even though they met criteria for detention. □





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# OPINION

## LETTERS

We welcome letters. Please include your full name, address and telephone number. We edit all letters. Send them to editor@illinoistimes.com.

## DON'T BLAME STUDENTS

Marc Magliari wrote a scathing letter lamenting the public media landscape in our state and decided to blame the tuition-paying students at University of Illinois Springfield for not shouldering the bill ("Letters to the editor," March 7). Of course, he leaves out that many other public media outlets have consolidated in recent years, often for similar reasons. Quincy University rolled off its public radio station to St. Louis Public Media not too long ago – would he call that school a failure?

His lamentations regarding public media are correct, but the target of his ire should be the Statehouse. The chancellor he criticizes successfully navigated the global pandemic, stabilizing student enrollment. Why is this important? There are bonds for facilities that must be paid for with student fees. Tuition dollars cannot go to parking lots, housing units, recreational facilities and the student union. An extended drop in student enrollment would have resulted in automatic doubling of student fees, further eroding student enrollment. The university administration, including this so-called "temp" (Chancellor Karen Whitney), worked fast to stabilize student enrollment. They succeeded.

While tuition dollars cannot be used for our own student services, the legislature conveniently never forbade them from being used to finance public items they fail to finance themselves. While many states have robust, state-funded public media, the Illinois General Assembly has decided to throw pennies at it and then force radio stations to piggyback off student tuition dollars as a "public service." Students have to vote to charge themselves



NPR Illinois staff members are pictured in a 2023 photograph. A one-time 25% cut in federal funding to NPR Illinois will create one more challenge for the public radio station at University of Illinois Springfield, which is already trying to offset a five-year wind-down period of direct cash support from UIS. PHOTO COURTESY NPR ILLINOIS

fees for services that enrich their experience, but tuition can be syphoned away from academics and used for public services. What an Illinois thing to do!

I've given to WUIS for many years and I support its mission. Philosophically, however, I cannot support my tuition dollars being used in this way. If the public wants this service, call your lawmakers and demand proper funding. Better yet, demand a statewide network that is worthy of the brand NPR Illinois. Many of these public media outlets in neighboring states also provide gavel-to-gavel coverage of their legislatures.

I also understand the frustration with the public media situation in our state. But it's not due to the 5,000 or so students at UIS saying, "Enough." It

comes from the Illinois General Assembly shifting the burden and creating what could be construed as an unfunded mandate. Blaming students for not wanting their tuition dollars to pay for a public service is like blaming school teachers for systemic poverty. Look a little deeper and you'll find the real culprits.

*Steven Simpson-Black  
Springfield*

## NO EASY WAY IN

Your article "Revitalizing Route 66" (March 7) notes that the recently completed master plan for Ninth Street and Peoria Road proposes the creation of a Route 66 Welcome Center on Peoria Road: "This location, along Route 66 and near the Route 66 Experience at the Illinois

State Fairgrounds, would be the perfect place for it."

Curious about this new Route 66 Experience, I went out to take a look. The only problem is that there is no entrance to the exhibit from Peoria Road. It is behind a chain-link fence with no gate and no signs telling one how to get inside. I got to it only by wandering through various parking lots on the fairgrounds. Once there, however, I found it to be quite creative and delightful, with recreated classic neon signs and jam packed with Illinois Route 66 history.

Before we invest in a Route 66 Welcome Center or a Route 66 sculpture or a Route 66-themed park and splash pad, we should make the Route 66 attraction we already have accessible from Route 66 by putting in an entrance to it from Peoria Road.  
*William Crook Jr.  
Springfield*

## FIX THE ROADS

When is the city of Springfield going to start rebuilding all of our city streets? They are hideous. We already pay high gas prices and high vehicle taxes and registration. If a high-volume event comes to town, we gouge every penny from our out-of-town visitors from higher gas prices all the way to the hotels, and yet we cannot fix these roads. We pay that money every single day out of our pockets, stop hoarding it for some stupid pet projects.

*Sharlett Ryan  
Springfield*

## IDLE THOUGHTS ON ENDLESS THINGS

I don't know who wrote this; maybe I did? "An eternity precedes me that goes backwards in time FOREVER. During all that time I didn't know anything about anything nor miss my non-being. Now there's a brief span of "me" then time will go on forever, for time is limitless in all directions – if "time" even exists. I won't miss life unless there is some sort of 'afterlife-spirit' which most religions predict." Sure, it'd be nice to see my folks and grands again, my daughter, meet relatives I never knew, but it's hard to believe eternity is set up that way. It would be pretty crowded but then of course forever is limitless. Maybe there'll just keep being "big bangs." We do have forever. Did you write this? or, perhaps, maybe me? And why?

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# My curriculum not the reason kids can't read

GUESTWORK | Lucy Calkins

Your Feb. 29 cover story, “When Kids Can’t Read,” references Springfield public schools and my curriculum, *Units of Study*.

I applaud Springfield for attending to the individual differences among children as readers. It is fundamentally important to recognize that children are all different. Assessments from reading specialists and individualized support for those who need it are foundational parts of a successful education strategy. Some children will need help segmenting and blending sounds as they read, while others need more opportunities to read nonfiction texts and to develop world knowledge and vocabulary.

Springfield’s programs such as Real Men Read and Compass for Kids similarly show that the district is making sound, research-based decisions that will move readers forward. The Real Men Read program provides valuable mentorship, allowing children to grow up seeing themselves as readers and thinking, “Reading is something cool people do.” And Springfield’s decision to supplement classroom learning with after-school and summer programs to support readers is wise. Kids need time to practice reading. These efforts make a real difference. These programs matter.

But I am sorry that, while Springfield is doing so many things right, the cover story contains inaccuracies about “balanced literacy” and about my curriculum, *Units of Study*, that may indeed ultimately hurt students.

Balanced literacy works.

My curriculum, *Units of Study in Reading, Writing and Phonics*, is a curriculum that

has been continually developed and refined for 40 years, informed by classroom-based research, by rich assessments of students and by scholarship. The approach would never have been adopted in approximately 25% of the nation’s schools if it didn’t yield results. It is the curriculum in a huge number of Blue Ribbon and Beat the Odds schools. The data overwhelmingly indicate that schools partnering with us demonstrate meaningful improvements in student performance and that improvements only deepen over time.

Although there were inaccuracies in the story, the article was not wrong in saying that some whole language educators used to teach phonics through immersion, hoping children would learn their ABCs through immersion, just as they learn oral language. It is true that studies have shown that most children benefit from explicit, structured instruction in phonics.

The errors in the article come from the author confusing balanced literacy with whole language, and more specifically, from confusing *Units of Study* (and me) with a belief that children grow best from laissez-faire, natural instruction. I have always been a strong proponent of explicit phonics instruction, and in general, of direct, explicit instruction. Anyone who knows my work knows I have written literally thousands of minilessons in which kids are taught through the teacher naming, then demonstrating, then guiding kids to practice a skill or strategy.

I never bypassed phonics instruction in my approach to teaching reading. My very first book on teaching reading, which

predates this latest “science of reading” debate by nearly 20 years, devoted three chapters to early reading and one of those three was to phonics. I have written 22 books on phonics, well over 2,800 pages. And I have written hundreds of decodable books, including the series *Jump Rope Readers*, which are regarded by many as best-in-class.

False claims of a dramatic new reading crisis have whipped the public into a frenzy, leading whole states to mandate totally untested statewide reforms in reading. Let’s instead pause, check the facts (yes, reading scores dipped during COVID, but over the 20 years prior, they have been slowly, steadily improving) and look with more care at exactly what has and has not worked for America’s young readers.

I know that podcasts, blogs and social media posts have made me a scapegoat for the imperfections of early literacy education, and so I understand why your newspaper echoed those claims. But that narrative is filled with untruths and brims with blaming and shaming, a toxic brew that will not help our country, nor serve Springfield’s children.

Promises of a magic bullet are tempting. Some states are mandating a short list of required programs, each costing millions of dollars, and knowledgeable educators in those states are howling with protest. This is playing out in Connecticut right now – districts like Wilton, Cheshire and Greenwich are prime examples. Rushing to purchase a whole-district basal that channels all students to read the same snippets of books despite wide differences in students’ reading levels is not apt to be a panacea.

Many of those programs have been evaluated as culturally harmful, and none of them have been implemented in a district like Springfield with strong results. Some come labeled ‘Science of Reading,’ but the science of reading is neither a curriculum nor a method for teaching children. And in any case, it alone will not take a K-12 system to rich, cross-disciplinary standards-based work. In a too hasty effort to translate ideology to curriculum, children suffer.

It is clear there are some wise, informed educators at the helm of Springfield. Those educators need the opportunity to do a school-by-school audit to determine what the needs are in Springfield. It may be that the district needs to adopt a more tightly controlled phonics program, or to offer teachers more professional development in phonics. But as Elfrieda Hiebert’s analysis of kids who do not do well on the National Assessment of Educational Progress shows, it is just as likely that Springfield’s upper-grade students need more access to engaging, accessible nonfiction.

Reform in literacy will require additional funding. District 186 is underfunded. It sounds as if Springfield may be ready to invest in early literacy, and that is heartening. When spent thoughtfully, funds could make a huge difference in classrooms across Springfield. □

*Lucy Calkins is the founding director of both Mossflower Reading and Writing Project (formerly the Reading and Writing Project) and of Teachers College Reading and Writing Project.*

  
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# Protecting and restoring our native habitat

Be part of the solution by planting milkweed and removing invasive species

SPRING GUIDE | Holly A. Whisler

Spring is always a welcome reward for enduring the cold temperatures of winter. Now that our days are filled with sunshine, the beauty of our landscape is awakening as the grass quickly greens and flowers begin to show their colors – proof of Mother Nature’s magnificent design. This beauty is part of an intricate system of habitats and ecosystems: the natural environment where plants, animals and other organisms live together inter-dependently. The habitat provides food, water, shelter and support for survival and reproduction. One change in the habitat can impact all other elements of the habitat. Central Illinois is habitat to the monarch butterfly, and its population has changed because a crucial element of its habitat has been reduced. The good news is, we can make a difference in reversing this trend and restoring the habitat.

Prior to winter, the monarch butterfly leaves central Illinois and migrates to the mountaintops of central Mexico where the entire population is measured by World Wildlife Fund Mexico. For the last two decades the fund has reported the population’s decline, which is attributed to the loss of milkweed plants – the required host plants for caterpillars of the monarch butterfly. Also, the reduction in the feeding and nesting habitats are partly due to invasive plant species that harm the habitat. What can be done about it? We can plant native milkweed, reduce invasive plant species and select herbicides that will not damage the monarch’s natural habitat.

The monarch butterfly is a pollinator, and pollinators are essential because they carry pollen from the male anther of one flower to the female stigma of another flower, which helps to bring about fertilization (This is the real birds and bees story). More than 75% – and possibly up to 95% – of all flowering plants on earth need help with pollination. Pollinators help fertilize more than 180,000 different plant species and 1,200 crops. Without pollination we would not have flowers, fruits and vegetables, to name just a few. Pollinators support agriculture and add \$217 billion to the global economy.

Pollinators are crucial to supporting our habitat and milkweed is crucial to the monarch. Susan Helm of Springfield is an avid gardener, pollinator enthusiast and community volunteer. She said the monarch population in central Illinois has declined by 40% in the last two years. It is a vulnerable species, and Helm says that one small act of planting native milkweed can make a big difference in increasing the monarch population.



Planting milkweed, the host plant of the monarch butterfly, can make a big difference in increasing the monarch population. In central Illinois, the monarch population has declined by 40% in the last two years.

Milkweed is the host plant of the monarch, providing food and shelter, and is the exclusive breeding ground where females lay their eggs as the caterpillar eats only the leaves of the milkweed plant. Once the caterpillar grows large enough, it becomes a chrysalis, and in a matter of weeks a new monarch butterfly emerges and the cycle begins again.

Even if you’re not an avid gardener, you can be part of the solution. Helm says growing milkweed is easy because it can be planted in a container such as a terra cotta pot and placed on a deck or patio. She is giving away 2,000 milkweed stems during the month of May through events at Springfield parks, Kidzeum and the May 18 opening weekend of the Old Capitol Farmers Market in downtown Springfield. Helm currently sits on the board of the Springfield Parks Foundation, and credits the foundation for funding the giveaways and helping with getting the word out. This is her fourth year of milkweed giveaways.

Native milkweed will also be given away at Enos Park Neighborhood Gardens, 1022 N. Fifth St., during an open house on May 11, 9-11 a.m. Carey Smith, garden manager, says many organizations will be present with giveaways, and there’s ample opportunity for asking questions about

growing milkweed or planting a small pollinator pocket in your yard or community garden. Smith said updates on more native seed giveaways and events throughout the summer can be found on the Facebook page or [enosparkgardens.org](http://enosparkgardens.org).

Another way we can be supportive members of the monarch’s habitat is to select native plants when designing landscaping around our homes and removing any invasive plants that may be growing in our yards. Plant species that are native to central Illinois have historically been part of this landscape and are essential elements of the habitat. There are non-native and invasive species

growing in our region that were either intentionally or accidentally translocated from one ecosystem to our local ecosystem. The invasive plants compete with native plants for soil and nutrients, and they do not serve as food for the pollinators, thus harming the habitat. To learn more about invasive plant species, visit the University of Illinois Extension website, [extension.illinois.edu](http://extension.illinois.edu), and the Midwest Invasive Plant Network, [mipn.org](http://mipn.org), where you’ll find resources and a free app for your phone to help make identifying native, non-native and invasive species an easy task.

## Milkweed giveaways

### Saturday, May 4

Lincoln Park (end of Nelson Center parking lot): 9-11 a.m.

Washington Park (shelter on South Grand Avenue): 1-3 p.m.

Jaycee Park (shelter): 1-3 p.m.

### Saturday, May 11

Erin’s Pavilion (building entrance): 9-11 a.m.

Enos Park Neighborhood Garden (1022 N. Fifth St.): 9-11 a.m.





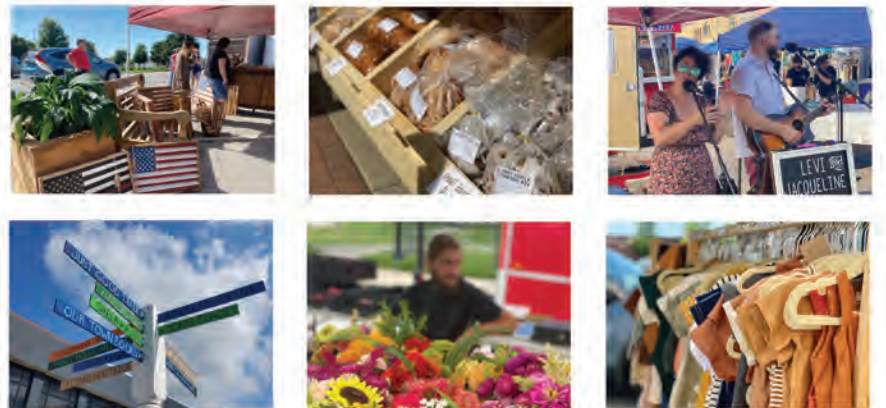
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## Spring crafts for kids

SPRING GUIDE | Pamela Savage

Spring is finally here. This is a wonderful time of year to get outside with younger children, but it can sometimes be hard to know what to do. Spring crafts are a great way to teach kids about nature, use fine motor skills and get outside. They can also be a fun way to reuse common household materials that would otherwise be destined for recycling or the landfill. Read on for some easy, eco-friendly craft ideas that use common household items and will be sure to activate your child's inner artist and nature lover.

### Egg carton tulips

What you'll need:

An emptied cardboard or foam egg carton  
Scissors  
Washable paint in bright colors like yellow, purple or pink  
Paintbrushes  
Green pipe cleaners

What to do:

Simply cut apart your egg carton so that the cups that held the eggs are all separated. Depending on your kids' ages, this may be a job for a grownup. Invite your child to paint each egg cup how they'd like. Once the egg cups are dry, poke a small hole in the bottom of each and push a green pipe cleaner through the hole. This will act as your stem. You can make one or a dozen of these fun tulips, and unlike real tulips you buy at the store, they'll last for years.

### Milk jug bird feeder

What you'll need:

An empty plastic milk jug  
Permanent markers or acrylic paint  
X-acto knife or scissors  
Sticks or twigs  
Bird seed  
Long string or twine

What to do:

Before you start, clean your empty milk jug well. Once it is clean and dry, use a permanent marker to draw a square on each side of the milk jug, leaving a couple of inches at the bottom. This will be the opening that birds will use to eat. Cut these squares out using an x-acto knife or scissors (this is likely a grown-up job).



Use empty plastic milk jugs to help your kids make backyard bird feeders.

Below those large squares, cut smaller squares, only large enough to push a stick or twig through. Then, cut two small holes near the top of your jug. This is where you'll string through twine to hang your feeder.

Before you add your sticks and twine, invite your child to decorate the prepared milk jug with permanent markers or acrylic paint. Don't use washable paint, as this will come off in the rain.

Once your jug is decorated, cross and insert your two sticks into the bottom holes of your feeder. String your twine through as well, and hang your feeder from a tree. Fill the bottom of your feeder with birdseed. Birds will perch on the sticks to access the feed through the large windows you cut. Enjoy watching your visitors.

### Tin can windchimes

What you'll need:

Tin cans, emptied and cleaned thoroughly  
Acrylic paint and paintbrush  
String  
Hammer and a nail  
Metal washers or nuts  
Thick tape such as painters tape, masking tape or duct tape

What to do:

Be sure your cans have clean edges. You can use tape along the rims of the cans if you are concerned about little fingers. Invite your child to paint the cans however they like. Be sure to use acrylic paint, as washable paint will come off in the rain.

Once the paint is dry, kids can use a hammer and a nail to poke a hole in the bottom of their cans. String a long piece of yarn through the hole, and tie some washers or nuts to the string on the inside of the can – one to hold the yarn onto the can and another further down to make a sound when the can rattles.

Once you've tied your washers or nuts to the yarn, test out your chimes to see what sounds they make. Your child may be interested in using different sizes of washers, cans, etc. to investigate different sounds.

Finally, hang your colorful tin can wind chimes someplace where you can admire them together.

*Pamela Savage is a freelance writer in Springfield. She is always looking for something creative to do with her kids.*

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# Backyard chickens 101

SPRING GUIDE | Ashley Meyer

If you've ever stopped to admire fluffy chicks that appear at farm supply stores each spring, you may have contemplated bringing home a flock of your own. Keeping hens is likely the most approachable form of animal husbandry with a myriad of rewards, including access to scrumptious fresh eggs, reduced kitchen waste and the sheer enjoyment of having them around. Even city folks can turn their house into a homestead with the addition of a few feathered friends, although it's important to check the ordinances where you live. Chickens (but not roosters) are allowed to be kept in Springfield as long as they are fenced in; however, nearby villages and townships may have different rules. The village of Jerome for example, does not allow chickens.

In many ways, keeping chickens isn't much more work than caring for a house cat, and these ladies can at least give you breakfast. There are some important considerations, however, when deciding if the clucky life is right for you. Chickens require daily care, which includes letting them out each morning (although automated chicken doors can allow for sleeping in), keeping their food and water full, and perhaps the greatest delight, collecting fresh eggs. The coop will need to be deep-cleaned a couple times a year, depending on its size and how many birds you have, and in the winter, you'll need to use a submersible heater to keep their water thawed.

If this sounds doable, the next consideration is the type and quantity of chickens you'll want. There are a range of varieties available at most area farm stores, and a dizzying array that can be ordered from commercial hatcheries. For beginners, it's best to get breeds that are known to be especially docile, such as Buff Orpington, Black Australorp and Easter Egger, a hybrid variety that lays colorful eggs ranging from olive green to pink. Chickens are social animals, so keeping at least three hens is important for their well-being. One chicken per person is a good ratio for keeping your family supplied with eggs. Depending on the breed, you can expect a chicken to produce about 200 eggs in their first year of laying. That number will go down slightly each year as they age, but the eggs will be larger with bigger yolks.

Before you bring your babies home, a brooder should be set up to keep them warm and safe until they are old enough to move into their permanent quarters. It is essential that it be set up in a dry, draft-free area that is free from predators or curious toddlers. New chicks will need about half a square foot of space each until they are about four weeks old, at which time they'll need about three-fourths square foot each. A plastic wading



Springfield residents Caleb and Bethany Payne are excited to raise backyard hens this year and just acquired two Rhode Island Reds, one Plymouth Barred Rocks and one Olive Egger. They plan to enjoy lots of eggs as well as help their four children learn responsibility and care for animals. PHOTO BY BETHANY PAYNE

pool or tub works extremely well as long as it has sides at least 18 inches tall (you'll quickly learn they can jump pretty high).

Chicks reared by a mama hen depend on her for warmth because they can't regulate their body temperature on their own. This is typically replicated with the use of a 250-watt heat lamp suspended over part of the brooder with a chain so that it's about two-and-a-half inches over the litter on the floor. For the first week, the chicks will need constant heat of about 95 degrees Fahrenheit when measured directly under the light. It's critical that the brooder be set up so the chicks can move under the lamp to warm up but also enough space to move to a cooler zone if they get too warm. Thermostats are useful, but observing the chicks' behavior is key. You'll know the brooder is at the right temperature when the chicks are evenly spread about. If they are all clustered together under the light, that indicates the temperature is too low; however, if they are all pressed against the sides of the brooder as far away from the light as possible, this is an indication that the temperature is too high. Gradually reduce the temperature by five degrees by raising the chain of the light about one inch every week, until the brooder temp is about 65 degrees. At this point, the babies are ready to transition into their permanent housing.

Chicken coops don't need to be fancy, but they do need to be well-insulated, ventilated and provide protection from predators. If you're handy with a hammer there are loads of DIY plans ranging from rudimentary to luxe. Repurposed doghouses or sheds are also excellent options.

Regardless of what type of coop you decide on, it should allow a minimum of three to four square feet inside the coop per chicken. Modern chickens are descended from jungle fowl and, despite being domesticated, they still have the urge to roost off the ground, so they'll need something for them to perch on at night. Wood roosts about two inches in diameter are ideal — just make sure they're removable to facilitate cleaning. Sturdy, natural branches are free and the preferred perch for most hens. And of course, nesting boxes are essential. Again, these can be fancy or repurposed and free, like milk crates turned on their sides. City folks (and anyone with a garden to protect) will need a fenced-in run where their girls can roam during the day, about 10 square feet per bird.

Chickens will start laying around 18 weeks old. The eggs will be small initially but will gradually reach normal size after a few months. You'll soon be spoiled by the incomparable taste of fresh eggs and find that any surplus supply can be quickly distributed to friends and neighbors or find their way into a myriad of recipes. Check out this week's food column on page 33 for fool-proof techniques for preparing the perfect eggs every time.

*Ashley Meyer is a Springfield-based writer, cook and wine educator. She grew up dotting on her next-door neighbor's colorful backyard chickens and has had her own flock for nearly a decade. She currently has 12 chicks rapidly growing in a brooder and will likely add a few more before the season is over.*



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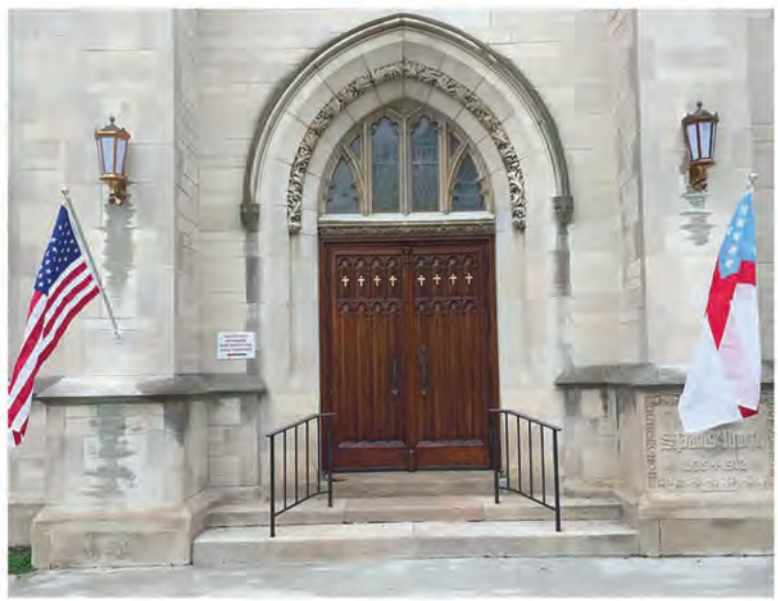



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# Something for everyone to enjoy

Upcoming theater productions, ballet, live music and comedy improv this spring

SPRING GUIDE | Stacie Lewis

Romance, drama, nostalgia or a few good laughs – be it a musical or dramatic stage production, our local theater scene has all the feels covered.

Running March 22-24 at the **Hoogland Center for the Arts**, *Nightmare at the Hot Mess Hair Salon* takes you on a nostalgic jaunt through the early 2000s pop culture where you will meet wacky characters such as DJ Justin Soprano, Brangelina Bananaboat and a manic pixie dream girl.

*Noises Off* is a play within a play where a mediocre theater troupe rehearses a touring production of a romp comedy, *Nothing On*, where, of course, almost nothing goes right. The play will be presented by the Springfield Theatre Centre April 12-14 and April 19-21.

A spoof of the old Alfred Hitchcock movie and loaded with Hitchcock film references, Alfred Hitchcock's *The 39 Steps* runs April 26-28 and May 3-5. Just four actors play over 150 characters in this fast-paced comedy.

The Hoogland finishes the spring theater season with the widely popular romance *The Bridges of Madison County*. Based on the best-selling novel and presented by Springfield Theatre Centre, this sweeping romance about the roads we travel, the doors we open and the bridges we dare to cross will leave you breathless.

On March 22, the **UIS Performing Arts Center** will host World Ballet Series *Swan Lake*. The series is a unique project composed of renowned professional dancers representing more than 10 countries. The production features richly detailed, hand-painted sets as well as over 150 striking costumes.

*Giselle* by **Grand Kyiv Ballet** will take the center's stage on April 5. This classical ballet tells the story of a peasant girl who falls in love with a nobleman disguised as a commoner. The ballet is known for its stunning choreography and beautiful music, and is a masterpiece of the ballet repertoire. Prime dancers from the National Opera and Ballet of Ukraine bring remarkable talent to the production.

Both touching and funny, the new comedy *John Proctor is the Villain* captures a generation in mid-transformation, running on pop music, optimism and fury, and writing their own coming-of-age story. This play, running April 12-14 and April 18-20, won the Helen Hayes Award for Outstanding Production of a Play.

*Come from Away* is a musical based on a



Hoogland Center for the Arts

remarkable true story. On Sept. 11, 2001, 38 planes were diverted to Gander, Newfoundland, carrying 6,579 passengers and crew. For a town of 10,000 residents, it was an incredible undertaking. *Come From Away* plays April 14.

Set during the jazz age, *Chicago* is a tale of fame and fortune, and criminals and crimes. The musical, on stage on May 7, has one show-stopping song after another accompanied by amazing dancing.

All of the world's funniest teacher-comedians will be on one stage on May 9 for *Bored Teachers: We Can't Make This Stuff Up!* Their hilarious skits on the internet have been viewed by millions, and they're all joining comic forces on stage for a night of laughter.

For a twist on a 16<sup>th</sup> century play, catch the Copper Coin Ballet Company's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* at **The Legacy Theatre** April 20-21. It's Shakespeare's play reimagined as a ballet where you enter a whimsical realm and follow the tale about the romantic escapades of four young lovers and the mischievous antics of the fairy king and queen, and their servant.

A couple of other productions are popping up in smaller theatrical places. On March 21-22, **Theatre in the Park** at Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site will present *On Golden Pond*, the love story of Ethel and Norman Thayer, who return

to their summer home on Golden Pond for the 48th year.

*Lady Frederick* will play at **Edwards Place** April 26-28. This comedy by British writer William Somerset Maugham was first performed in London in 1907. An Irish widow, seriously in debt, must deal with suitors who have various motives for proposing marriage, and with the man with whom she once had an affair.

Families will also have a chance to enjoy some quality theater this year with both new and old favorites. March 22-24 **Hoogland Center for the Arts** will present Disney's *Finding Nemo Jr.*, a story full of family, friendship and adventure. Also at the Hoogland April 26-28, you can enter the Hundred Acre Wood, where you'll once again find Winnie the Pooh and his pals, Tigger, Piglet, Rabbit and Owl in Disney's *Winnie the Pooh Kids*.

The **UIS Performing Arts Center** will present the new theatrical adaptation of the Emmy award-winning children's television series, *Bluey's Big Play*, on April 30-May 1. With the brilliantly created puppets, this is the best Bluey ever.

Check back with the *Illinois Times* calendar for up-to-date details on upcoming shows. Be especially on the lookout for shows at our two outdoor stage treasures, **The Muni** and New Salem's **Theatre in the Park**. Their summer programs will begin soon.

## Capital City Improv

Leave it to Springfield's improv group to cause a scene. Capital City Improv members are boisterous, sometimes playfully overdramatic and always spot on with timing. They just sincerely want to have a good time and they want to take everyone along with them for the entertaining ride.

The group will present "Improvisation and Illusions" at the **Hoogland Center for the Arts** on April 6 when they create hilarious scenes on the spot and local magicians provoke spontaneous ohs and ahhs. It should prove to be a great night of games and magic; note that it may not be appropriate for all ages, but incredibly fun for the rest of us.

The Teen Improv Troupe will join Capital City Improv to bring you "Jedi and Padawans" on May 4. This is a family-friendly show where you can come dressed as your favorite Wookiee, rebel or Twi'lek for a chance to win a prize for best costume.

Want to try improvisational theater? Join Capital City Improv workshops to learn improv basics and play a variety of improv games. Everyone 12 and older is welcome. They meet at the Hoogland Center for the Arts, on the third Thursday of every month through May 17. Check the Facebook page for more information.

## The concert scene

Tickets are still available for John Mellencamp's performance at the **UIS Performing Arts Center** on March 23. He's an energetic performer and highly respected singer/songwriter with a career that spans over 35 years.

Also at UIS will be Celtic Woman on April 20. This accomplished recording ensemble has become a cultural phenomenon, bringing some of Ireland's most talented singers and musicians to the world stage. The group's repertoire includes Irish classics, contemporary songs, classical favorites and original music.

On May 3, pianist Joyce Yang will join the Illinois Symphony Orchestra for the performance "Opposites Attract," conducted by Naomi Woo.

The **Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception** has two final performances scheduled for its First Friday Concert Series. The Millikin University Choir will perform French composer Duruflé's "Requiem" on April 5, and on May 3, the UIS Choir will be featured.

At **First Presbyterian Church**, tenor Jacobsen Woollen will perform March 27 for the final concert of the church's popular Brown Bag Concert Series. The church will present "Lush and Lyrical" on April 12, a performance that features Elgar's Introduction and Allegro, Vaughan Williams' Oboe Concerto and Schubert's Symphony No. 5 by the Illinois Symphony Orchestra, with oboist Russell Hoffman and conducted by Tania Miller.



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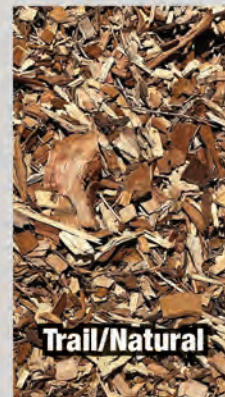


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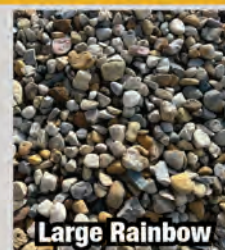


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Left to right: The Midway Village Museum on the outskirts of Rockford displays artifacts from the city's history, including uniforms and other memorabilia from the Rockford Peaches of the All-American Professional Baseball League. The women played in the 1940s and 1950s. The Burpee Museum of Natural History in Rockford features a large collection of paleontology finds, including several dinosaur skeletons. The Anderson Japanese Garden in Rockford is considered one of North America's top Japanese gardens. Tropical plants, water features and special art displays fill the Nicholas Conservatory and Gardens along the Rock River in Rockford. PHOTOS BY MARY BOHLEN

## The hidden gems in Rockford

Baseball, Japanese gardens, dinosaur bones, haunted history and more

SPRING GUIDE | Mary Bohlen

Peaches aren't usually a spring treat but you can find them in Rockford along with some stunning gardens if you head 200 miles north this time of year. You also might encounter old bones and haunted spirits.

"Rockford is a little bit of a hidden gem," says Emily Plumb of the Rockford Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. "We are diverse when it comes to things to do."

Diverse indeed. At the Midway Village Museum on the city's outskirts, visitors can learn all about Rockford's history, including the Rockford Peaches. The team was part of the All-American Professional Baseball League for 12 years in the 1940s and 1950s and was made famous by the 1992 movie, *A League of Their Own*, starring Tom Hanks, Geena Davis, Madonna and Rosie O'Donnell. You also can pay homage to the Peaches at their restored Beyer Stadium on 15<sup>th</sup> Street in town.

The Midway Village Museum features Peaches' uniforms, programs, photos and other memorabilia and will host a baseball game with players in Peaches' gear on May 11 from noon-4 p.m. Admission is \$14 for adults and \$12 for seniors and children ages 5-12. Under 5 is free. The museum encourages attendees to dress in 1940s' clothing.

Other exhibits include a recreated millhouse, information on Swedish

immigrants, early aviation attempts, Rockford's role in the two world wars and the creation of the red-heeled socks that led to a boast as the home of the sock monkey. Go to [midwayvillage.com](http://midwayvillage.com) to learn more.

The grounds include a Victorian village and several gardens but for an even better treat, head to the 12-acre Anderson Japanese Gardens, rated one of North America's top Japanese gardens. A stroll along the meandering paths, koi ponds, waterfalls, streams, pavilions and lush greenery will confirm the ranking.

Rockford businessman John Anderson began the Japanese garden and then hired renowned designer Hoichi Kurisu to expand it. Anderson and his wife donated the garden in 1998, and visitors can enjoy its tranquility from May 1 to Oct. 31. See [andersongardens.org](http://andersongardens.org) for information on admission and activities.

For a garden experience all year long, the Nicholas Conservatory and Gardens is a good bet. Located along the Rock River, the third largest conservatory in Illinois has tropical plants, ponds, sculptures, special exhibits and seasonal gardens on the grounds. The Secret Life of Butterflies lands March 23-May 26 and will offer a look at their whole life cycle. More information is available at [nicholasconservatory.com](http://nicholasconservatory.com).

Klehm Arboretum and Botanic Garden is a place to gaze at rare trees, let the kids run off steam at the children's garden with its water features and view gardens full of seasonal delights. Other outdoor spots Plumb recommends are Rock Cut State Park with trails and a manmade lake and the Rock River with water activities as the weather warms.

For a break from the outdoors, visit the dinosaur bones at the Burpee Museum of Natural History, part of the Riverfront Museum Campus along with the Discovery Center Museum and the Rockford Art Museum. The Burpee displays "Jane," said to be the world's most complete and best-preserved juvenile T. Rex, and "Homer," a teen triceratops. Housed in an old mansion, the museum has a large collection of other paleontology finds, a mock ancient forest, Native American exhibits and a smattering of live reptiles, fish and insects.

The Discovery Center will entertain children of all ages with its 250 hands-on exhibits and a giant outdoor park with mazes, water features, slides, a cave and a dinosaur bone digging site. Next door is the Rockford Art Museum with its collection of modern art and masters such as Lorado Taft, famous for his large sculptures.

You also can download a phone app that

will guide you on a public art trail throughout the city and Winnebago County. The trail highlights 60 murals and sculptures. If you visit the last weekend in May, you can take in the CRE8IV Transformational Art Mural Festival in downtown Rockford, according to Plumb.

Plumb also recommends the Tinker Swift Cottage Museum and Gardens, an historic house museum. "Some say it is haunted," she says, explaining it is built on a Native American prehistoric mound. Several television shows investigating ghosts have included the cottage.

The Cottage will host several paranormal investigation events this spring but tickets sell out quickly. Go to [tinkercottage.com](http://tinkercottage.com) for information and [hauntedrockford.com](http://hauntedrockford.com) for tickets.

The Rockford City Market's outdoor venue runs from mid-May to after Labor Day on Friday evenings and offers local produce, dairy and meat products, baked goods, prepared food, artisans' work and music.

For more information about these and other activities, visit [gotorockford.com](http://gotorockford.com).

*Mary Bohlen of Springfield enjoys spring gardens, baseball movies and history museums. A former wire service reporter and retired journalism professor, she writes travel articles for IT and other publications.*



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### Friday Night Jazz

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### Mystery Movie Monday

First Monday of every month, 7pm. Through May 6. You won't know the title of the film until the red velvet curtain opens on the grand screen. Movies from across the spectrum of genres will be shown – everything but horror. Free popcorn. [atthelegacy.com](http://atthelegacy.com). The Legacy Theatre, 101 E. Lawrence, 800-838-3006.

### Capital City Improv Workshops

Third Thursday of every month, 7-9pm. Through May 17. Join Capital City Improv for workshops and learn improv basics and play a variety of improv games. Everyone 12 and older is welcome. RSVP via a link on the Capital City Improv Facebook page to reserve a spot. Hoogland Center for the Arts, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

### Kidzeum Sensory-Friendly Visit Times

First Sunday of every month, 9-11am. Through Dec. 1. Lights and noises are turned down to make the museum more comfortable for visitors with sensory differences so they can explore and discover the galleries at their own pace. [kidzeum.org](http://kidzeum.org). Admission. Kidzeum of Health and Science Children's Museum, 412 E. Adams St., 217-971-4435.

### The Art of Jazz

Second Thursday of every month, 7-9pm. Jazz guitarists

and educators Jose Gobbo and Mark Tonelli perform together or curate an evening, booking a guest musician, a group or occasionally the UIS Jazz Band. \$10 at door. [Pharmacygallery.com](http://Pharmacygallery.com). Pharmacy Gallery & Art Space, 623 E. Adams St.

### Spring Floral Display

Saturday-Sunday, 12-5pm and Monday-Friday, 12-4 p.m., through April 7. Easter lilies and lush foliage fill the exhibit hall and conservatory. Washington Park Botanical Garden Exhibit Hall, 1740 W. Fayette Ave., 217-546-4116.

### Weekday Lenten Services

Mondays-Fridays, 12:15-12:45pm. Through March 29. Weekly services through Good Friday. Services will offer a 25-minute period of reflection, Bible readings and hymns exploring the season of Lent. [trinity-lutheran.com](http://trinity-lutheran.com). Free. Trinity Lutheran Church, 220 S. Second St., 217-787-2323.

### Nar-Anon Family Group

Thursdays, 6pm. A 12-step support group for those dealing with an addiction problem of a family member or friend. Free. Laurel United Methodist Church, 631 S. Grand Ave. W., 217-525-1866.

### "Water, Sky, Stone, Clay"

Fridays, Saturdays, 12-6pm. Through April 27. Enjoy the works of more than 20 gallery members. On the first Friday of each month gallery is open until 8pm. [pharmacygallery.com](http://pharmacygallery.com). Free. The Pharmacy Gallery and Art Space, 623 E. Adams St., 217 622 7903.

### Mr. Lincoln's Hometown Civil War Round Table

Every third Thursday, 6:30-7:30pm. Through May 17. Features presentation focused on a different aspect of Abraham Lincoln and/or the generation that endured the Civil War. See the Facebook page for more info. Free. Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 745 Woodside Road, 217-801-2698.

### Lilacs and Letters

Various dates through June 27, 1:15pm. This one-act play features a single actor portraying Walt Whitman, one of America's most influential poets, as Whitman processes the assassination of Abraham Lincoln and tends to wounded Civil War soldiers. Free with admission. See website for dates. [presidentlincoln.illinois.org](http://presidentlincoln.illinois.org). Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, 212 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

### Open Studio

First Friday of each month, 6-8pm. Member artists will be working in studios in the gallery. This is a great opportunity to watch them at work, ask questions and learn about their creative processes and also view the current exhibit on display. Pharmacy Gallery & Art Space, 623 E. Adams St. [pharmacygallery.com](http://pharmacygallery.com).

### The Questioners: Read, Question, Think. PLAY!

Through May 5. Children can explore art, science and civics in a hands-on exhibit featuring characters in second grade from a series of best-selling books. Free with admission to museum. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, 212 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

## MARCH

### Embrace the Dark with Bats

Thu., March 21, 6-7pm. Marissa Jones will provide an overview of the native bats of Illinois, including an introduction to bat biology, field research techniques, a tour of an artificial bat house and more. Hosted by Springfield Audubon Society. [springfielddaubon.org](http://springfielddaubon.org). Free. Adams Wildlife Sanctuary, 2315 E. Clear Lake Ave., 217-899-6150.

### Candlelight ceremony

Thu., March 21, 5pm. Ceremony for victims of impaired driving crashes. Hosted by Mothers Against Drunk Driving. Free. Trinity Lutheran Church, 220 S. Second St., 630-541-6099.

### A Musical Benefit for Ukraine

Fri., March 22, 6-7pm. A musical benefit performed by local pianist Bonnie Ertinger and others. Donations will benefit the event's host, Blue-Yellow for Ukraine USA, which provides non-lethal aid to Ukrainian soldiers and civilians. \$20. Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 745 Woodside Road, 217-503-0586.

### Women's History Evening Tours

Fri., March 22, 5-6 and 6-7pm and Fri., March 29, 5-6 and 6-7pm. Enjoy a guided tour of the Dana House focusing on Mary Agnes Lawrence and Susan Lawrence Dana. [dana-thomas.org](http://dana-thomas.org). Free. Dana-Thomas House, 301 E. Lawrence Ave., 217-782-6776.



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## A Conversation with Gen Zs

Fri., March 22, 8-9am. A discussion with students from Springfield, Southeast, Lanphier and Sacred Heart-Griffin high schools about the Springfield scene. Presented by the Citizens Club of Springfield. See the club's Facebook page for more info. Free. Hoogland Center for the Arts Club Room, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

## World Ballet Series: Swan Lake

Fri., March 22, 7-9pm. World Ballet Series is a unique project composed of renowned professional dancers representing over 10 countries. [uispac.com](http://uispac.com). \$35-\$89. Sangamon Auditorium, UIS, 1 University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

## Nightmare at the Hot Mess Hair Salon

March 22-23, 7:30pm and Sun., March 24, 2pm. Take a nostalgic jaunt through the early 2000s pop culture with a murder mystery to die for. [hcfa.org](http://hcfa.org). \$22. Hoogland Center for the Arts, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

## Lunch and Learn

Fri., March 22, 12-1pm and Fri., March 29, 12-1pm. "The White Cottage: Susan Lawrence Dana's Other House." Bring a lunch for a picnic outside the home and learn what's happening to uplift the history of this house that has stood in the shadow of the Dana-Thomas House for 120 years. Free. Dana-Thomas House, 301 E. Lawrence Ave., 217-782-6776.

## Freedom in Holiness Mission

Sat., March 23, 10am-1pm. Drinks at the Cross/Robes to Fit. Fifty Easter baskets filled with assorted drinks and house robes for men, women and children will be distributed. Robe donations are needed as well as volunteers for the event. Volunteers should arrive before the event. Call for more info. Free. Freedom in Holiness Mission, 1430 Loveland Ave., 217-522-2527.

## "Loving Who You Are"

Sat., March 23, 1-3pm. Speakers including state Sen. Doris Turner will honor womanhood in many facets. Includes a catered lunch and musical entertainment. Free. Presented by Northstar Community Healing Resource Center. St. Paul AME Church, 1130 S. 16th St., 217-522-4796.

## Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Sat., March 23, 8-10am. Visit with the Easter bunny. Kids eat free with a \$14.99 adult breakfast buffet purchase. Hy-Vee, 2115 S. MacArthur Blvd., 217-

726-1001.

## St. John's Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 8:30-10am. Light breakfast of donuts and fruit, children's message and Easter egg hunt. Rain or shine. Free. St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2477 W. Washington St., 793-3933.

## Drive-Thru Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 9-11am. Drive-thru Easter egg hunt from 9-11 a.m., while supplies last. Kids 6 years and under, up to three children per vehicle. Free. Knight's Action Parks, 1700 Knights Recreation Dr., 217-546-8881.

## Eagle Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 9am. Eagle-themed Easter egg hunt in honor of the upcoming summer exhibit, "Wheels Up: The Science of Flight." Pre-registration required. [kidzeum.org](http://kidzeum.org). \$11. Members and children 2 and younger are free. Kidzeum of Health and Science Children's Museum, 412 E. Adams St., 217-971-4435.

## Community Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 10am. Community Easter egg hunt for children from birth through fifth grade. Free. Riverton Christian Church, Riverton, 1245 N. Seventh St., 217-629-9443.

## Loami Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 10am. Easter Egg hunt for kids age 2-10. Loami Christian Church will be there with fun games. Free. Colburn Park, Loami, Witt St.

## New Salem Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 10am. Easter egg hunt for infants through fourth grade, staggered start times. Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site, Petersburg, 15588 History Lane, 217-632-4000.

## Rochester Estates Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 10am. Easter egg hunt divided by age groups, prizes and pictures with the Easter bunny. Free. Rochester Estates, Rochester, 4817 N. Oak Hill Road.

## Sugar Creek UMC Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 10am. Bring an Easter basket and your camera and join the hunt for 1,500 Easter eggs. Activities include games, prizes, crafts and a cupcake walk for Pre-K through fifth grade. Free. Sugar Creek United Methodist Church, Chatham, 1022 New City Road, 622-7953.

## Easterpalooza

Sat., March 23, 11am-1pm. Community event with games, activities, bounce houses and lunch. Free. Living Faith Baptist Church, Sherman, 7575 W. Outer Road, 217-496-2590.

## Morgan County Easter Egg Hunt

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and the Easter Egg Hunt begins promptly at 11am for kids ages 2-12. Visit with the Easter bunny. Free. Morgan County Fairgrounds, Jacksonville, 110 N. Westgate, 217-245-6800.

## Sensory Friendly Easter Event

Sat., March 23, 12-2pm. Take a photo with the Easter Bunny and participate in sensory friendly activities. Hope Pavilion, 5220 S. Sixth St., 217-585-5437.

## Adult Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 1-2:15pm. Search for five eggs filled with great prizes while enjoying a glass of wine. Ticket includes access to the hunt and one glass of wine. Must be 21+ to participate. Pre-registration required. \$20. West of Wise Winery, Petersburg, 14096 State Highway 97, 217-632-6003.

## Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 1pm. Easter egg hunt, meet the Easter bunny, face painting, hot dogs and more. Eastland Retirement Community, Auburn, 901 Eastland Drive.

## Parkway Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 1pm. Community Easter egg hunt by Parkway Christian Church and Westchester Residents Association. Two age groups: 5 years and under and 6-12 years. Plenty of eggs, prizes and face painting. Parkway Christian Church, 2700 Lindbergh Blvd., 217-787-3445.

## Sunny Acres Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 1pm. Bike giveaway and other prizes, face painting, tattoo booth and lots of Easter eggs to hunt. Free. Sunny Acres Nursing Home, Petersburg, 19130 Sunny Acres Road.

## Centennial Pointe Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 1:30-4:30pm. Community Easter egg hunt with a raffle, coloring station, games, snacks, pictures with the Easter bunny and a petting zoo provided by the 4H Group. Free. Centennial Pointe Assisted Living & Memory Care, 3440 Hedley Road, 546-9301.

## Pleasant Plains Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 2pm. The Pleasant Plains Community Club, along with the Village of Pleasant Plains, will host an Eggstravaganza at the Village Park (across from the Village Hall). Free. Pleasant Plains Village Hall, Pleasant Plains, 200 E. Fourth St.

## Y Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 2-3:30pm. Easter egg hunt with staggered times for age groups, Easter bunny photos, crafts and games. \$7. Gus and Flora Kerasotes YMCA, 4550 West Iles Ave., 679-1625.

## Adult Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23, 4pm. Hunt for eggs with candy, booze and a plethora of prizes. Must be 21. \$5. Chatham-Auburn Memorial VFW Post 4763, Chatham, 214 W. Chestnut St., 217-486-4613.

## John Mellencamp

Sat., March 23, 8-10pm. John Mellencamp is one of the most highly respected singer/songwriters of a generation. uispac.com. \$49.50-\$149.50. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

## WWE Road to WrestleMania

Sat., March 23, 7:30-10:30pm. See your favorite WWE superstars including The American Nightmare, Cody Rhodes, Seth "Freakin" Rollins, LA Knight, Rhea Ripley, Becky Lynch, Bobby Lashley and many more. Superstar Experience and Walk the Aisle VIP Packages also available. \$20 and up. BOS Center, 1 Convention Center Plaza, 217-788-8800.

## Disney's Finding Nemo Jr.

Fri., March 22, 7pm, Sat., March 23, 2, 7pm and Sun., March 24, 2pm. A story full of family, friendship and adventure presented by Hoogland Performing Arts Education. hcfta.org. \$18. Reduced prices for seniors, students and children. Hoogland Center for the Arts LRS Theatre 1, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

## Gospel concert

Sat., March 23, 6pm. The performance will feature The Wanda Mountain Boys, The Lesters and The Redemptions. Concert will be preceded by a fundraising spaghetti dinner from 4:30-5:45pm. Proceeds to benefit the Washington Street Mission. Sherman Church of the Nazarene, Sherman, 7085 Village Center Road, 217-416-3029.

## Ray "Philly" Phillips Birthday Comedy Bash

Sat., March 23, 7pm. Features great comics from across the U.S. Contact Stoney B or Ray Philly for tickets. Your Funny Comedy Club, 30th floor. \$10 in advance, \$15 at door. Wyndham City Centre, 700 E. Adams St., 789-1530.

## The Ritz

Sat., March 23, 5:30-11pm. "Celebrating Every Journey." A three-course dinner, evening of dancing and a celebration of the progress made by the LGBT community during the past three years. Presented by the Coalition of Rainbow Alliances. Crowne Plaza Springfield, 3000 S. Dirksen Pkwy., 217-741-4603.

## Spotlight on Ice

Sat., March 23, 1, 6pm and Sun., March 24, 1pm. Watch more than 50 local skaters perform to selections from *The Lion King*, *Hamilton*, *Star Wars* and more. Concessions available. Presented by Springfield Figure Skating Club. sfs4u.com. \$15-\$25. Nelson Center Ice Arena, Lincoln Park, 1601 N. Fifth St., 217-753-2800.

## Hispanic Women of Springfield Easter Egg Hunt

Sun., March 24, 1-3pm. Join the Hispanic Women of Springfield for snacks, prizes, pictures with the Easter bunny and more in the Red School Mall Parking lot. Red School Mall, 1275 Wabash Ave.

## Eastview Baptist Church Easter Egg Hunt

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**3/24 Palm Sunday 10:30 a.m.**  
Worship & Palm Procession

**3/27 Holy Wednesday 6:00 p.m.**  
Evening Vespers & Holy Communion  
Remembering Jesus's Jerusalem Ministry

**3/28 Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m.**  
Remembering the Last Supper  
hosted at our sister congregation  
Parkway Christian Church, 2700 Lindbergh Blvd.

**3/29 Good Friday 7:00 p.m.**  
Tenebrae Service & Passion Story

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## Mary Lincoln: Springfield's First Lady

Sun., March 24, 1-2, 3-4pm. Mary Lincoln used her passion for politics to change history and open doors for future generations of women. Learn more about her, her service to community and country, and her role in preserving the Union. Make a tour reservation at eventbrite.com. Free. Vachel Lindsay Home State Historic Site, 603 S. Fifth St., 217-782-6776.

## Coin Show

Sun., March 24, 9am-3pm. U.S. and foreign coins, ancient and modern coins, gold and silver bullion, state quarters and paper money. Over 70 dealer tables. Hosted by the Central Illinois Numismatic Association. Free for members and children under 16. \$1. Northfield Inn, Suites and Conference Center, 3280 Northfield Drive, 217-899-9996.

## Pancake and Sausage Breakfast

Sun., March 24, 7:30-11am. Support scouting and Boy Scout Troop 53. An all-you-can eat breakfast including pancakes, sausage patties, milk, juice and coffee. Carry out available. \$8 adults, \$5 children. St. Aloysius Catholic Church, 2000 Sangamon Ave., 217-741-2299.

## Little Lincoln's Fireside Tales: Questions

Tue., March 26, 10-11am. Did you know questions are an important tool? They help us learn more about the world and share ideas with others. Join the ALPLM's education team and share stories and activities that celebrate the importance of questions. Also visit the new temporary kids exhibit, "The Questioners." Free. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library, 112 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

## Peeps Science – a STEM activity

Wed., March 27, 3:30-4:30pm. Learn about Peeps and do some fun experiments, maybe even some taste testing. Make your own Peeps play dough. The Peeps and the instructions will be supplied, lincolnlbrary.info. free. Lincoln Library, 326 S. Seventh St., 217-753-4900 ext. 5612.

## "Junk Drawer"

Wed., March 27, 7-8:30pm. An exhibition by Champaign-based artist Guen Montgomery. The artist will first present an Engaged Citizenship Common Experience Speaker Series lecture at 6 p.m. in Brookens Auditorium. Following the lecture, the UIS Visual Arts Gallery will host an exhibition reception at 7 to 8:30 p.m. uis.edu. Free. UIS Visual Arts Gallery, HSB 201, One University Plaza, 217-206-6506.

## Spiritual Communion Service

Wed., March 27, 7-8pm. Experience the physical, historical, metaphysical and spiritual aspects of the Last Supper. Call for more info. Donations accepted. Unity of Springfield, 417 Cordelia, 217-523-5897.

## Photos with the Easter Bunny

Wed., March 27, 5-8pm, Thu., March 28, 5-8pm, Fri., March 29, 5-8pm and Sat., March 30, 12-4pm. The Easter Bunny will make special appearances at Lincoln Park. Don't miss out on the chance to snap some adorable photos with this beloved holiday icon. All ages welcome. Located at the Nelson Center's west parking lot. Call for more info. Free. Nelson Center, 1601 N. Fifth St., 217-753-2800 ext. 2001.

## Great Decisions Program

Wed., March 27, 7-9pm, Wed., April 3, 7-9pm, Wed., April 17, 7-9pm and Wed., April 24, 7-9pm. Learn about international affairs, meet interesting people and discuss critical issues in a small discussion format, six-program series. Discussion briefing book available for purchase. Hosted by the World Affairs Council. See the website for more information. wacci.org. Free. Westminster Presbyterian Church, 533 S. Walnut St., 217-522-4415.

## Total Eclipse of the Heartland

Thu., March 28, 6-7pm. Dr. John Martin, a UIS astronomy and physics professor, will discuss the April 8 solar eclipse, explaining how eclipses work, how often total solar eclipses happen and how to watch them safely. Free. Chatham Area Public Library, Chatham, 600 E. Spruce St., 217-483-2713.

## Inaugural Stella Coffee & Tea Artist of the Year

Submission of any medium accepted April 1-30. No entry fee. Call for details. Free. Stella Coffee & Tea, 1135 W. Governor St., 262-622-3151.

## Sunshine 66 Hotel Music Festival

March 29, 5pm-3am, and March 30, noon to 3am. Live music, craft vendors and more. Features Sunshine Daydream and lots of local favorites, plus some new acts that will keep the music moving all weekend. Check the Facebook event for the complete lineup. Route 66 Hotel and Conference Center, 625 E. St. Joseph St., 217-529-6626.

## Easter Hat Pageant

Fri., March 29, 11:30am. Pick up your Easter hat (either male or female) and any other supplies you need to decorate it in the SSCI Gift Shop. First place wins \$50 and second place wins \$25. Senior Services of Central Illinois, 701 W. Mason St., 217-528-4035.

## Good Friday Meditation Service

Fri., March 29, 12-1pm. A meditative service metaphysically interpreting the seven last words of Jesus. unityofspringfieldil.org. Donations accepted. Unity of Springfield, 417 Cordelia St., 217-523-5897.

## Good Friday Stations of the Cross

Fri., March 29, 12pm. Springfield Christians of various faith communities will make a Good Friday pilgrimage to governmental and human services buildings in the downtown area, offering prayers for neighbors and seeking God's help as the sufferings of those in our midst are connected with the traditional

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## Victorian Game Night

Fri., March 29, 6:30-8:30pm. Learn the card and dice games of the past and see how these games hold up as delightful entertainment for a night with friends or family. Enjoy "gambling" at the tables. Prizes for top performers. Vingt-et-un, Whist, Triga, Hazard, Poker and SNAP. Hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine served. Only ages 21 and over. \$35 members or \$40 all others. Edwards Place, Springfield Art Association, 700 N. Fourth St., 217-523-2631.

## Easter Ice Jamz

Fri., March 29, 7-9pm. Skate with the Easter bunny and take photos. Easter egg hunt at 8 p.m., spoon and egg race at 8:30 p.m. \$6-\$9. Nelson Center Ice Arena, Lincoln Park, 1601 N. Fifth St., 217-525-2589.

## Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Sat., March 30, 9-11am. Breakfast, games, photos with the Easter bunny, Easter baskets and prizes for kids and adults. Free. Kumler United Methodist Church, 600 N. Fifth St., 217-523-2046.

## Easter Eggstravaganza

Sat., March 30, 9-11am. Until supplies last. Meet the vendors and get in on their gifts and giveaway! Candy provided by Once upon a Child. For kids age 6 and under. Up to three kids per vehicle. Free. Knight's Action Park, 1700 Knights Recreation Drive, 217-546-8881.

## BMX Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 30, 10am-12pm. Community Easter egg hunt with staggered start times for ages 1-12 plus a photo op with the Easter bunny and giveaways. Track will be open after the egg hunt ends with loaner bikes and helmets available to try it out. Free. Springfield BMX Raceway, 4115 Sandhill Road, 217-931-2680.

## BounceTag Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 30, 10am. Find Easter eggs scattered throughout the four-story playpark and building. Special golden eggs will include admission passes, arcade cards, laser tag games and other surprises. Doors open at 9:30am, Easter hunt starts at 10am. Open play to follow. Paid child admission required, no charge for adults. Bounce Tag, 3720 Hollis Drive, 217-288-4386.

## Easter Eggstravaganza

Sat., March 30, 10am-12pm. Special event for kids through sixth grade celebrating the resurrection of Jesus. Carnival games and magic show featuring Richard Landry, who will share the gospel thru comedy and amazing illusions, plus lots of Easter eggs full of candy. Free. Rochester Christian Church, Rochester, 325 S. Walnut, 381-6006.

## Re-enactor Swap Meet

Sat., March 30, 10am. Illinois State Military

Museum, 1301 N. MacArthur Blvd., 217-761-3910.

## Chatham Jaycees Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 30, 11am. Arrive early and bring a basket and bag. Free. Chatham Community Park, Chatham, 731 S. Main St.

## Faith Temple AME Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 30, 11am-1pm. Easter egg hunt with games, prizes and much more. Free. Faith Temple AME, 901 S. 23rd St.

## Pleasant Grove Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 30, 11am-1pm. Easter egg hunt, games, food and fun. Free. Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, 908 S. Martin Luther King Dr., 522-2513.

## Hop with a Cop Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 30, 12pm. Easter egg hunt hosted by the Riverton Police Department. Field of Dreams, Riverton, 6237-6269 Riverton Road.

## Timberlake Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 30, 1-3pm. Annual Easter egg hunt with special prizes. Free. Timberlake Senior Living Facility, 2521 Empowerment Road, 217-585-4000.

## Villas of Holly Brook Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 30, 1pm. Bring the kids for an Easter egg hunt and treats. Free. Villas of Holly Brook, Chatham, 825 E. Walnut St.

## Easter Sunday Service

Sun., March 31, 10-11am. Bring family and friends to celebrate the risen Christ within us with special celebratory music. Love offering. unityofspringfieldil.org. Unity of Springfield, 417 Cordelia St., 217-523-5897.

## Sunrise Easter Service

Sun., March 31, 7-7:45am. All denominations welcome at this service. Scott Payne of Inner City Mission will speak. Tickets not required. Seating limited. Gillett Chapel, Elkhart, 217-947-2200 or 217-947-2238.

## Re-enactor Swap Meet

Sat., March 30, 10am. Are you a re-enactor or want to be one? Just want to see some of the items and equipment used in re-enacting? Living historians representing various periods will meet to trade and sell items. Free. Illinois State Museum, 1301 N. MacArthur Blvd., 217-761-3910.

## APRIL

### Abe for All: Sensory-Friendly Evening

Tue., April 2, 4-6pm. Enjoy free admission and a sensory-friendly experience. The theater and "Journey" lights will be turned up, and the sound turned down. Some special effects will be turned off, and a quiet room will be provided. Visit the website or call to learn about the pre-visit packet to help plan

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### Palm Sunday and Procession of the Palms

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Sunday, March 24 at 10:00 a.m.

### Maundy Thursday Service of Holy Communion

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### Festival of the Resurrection

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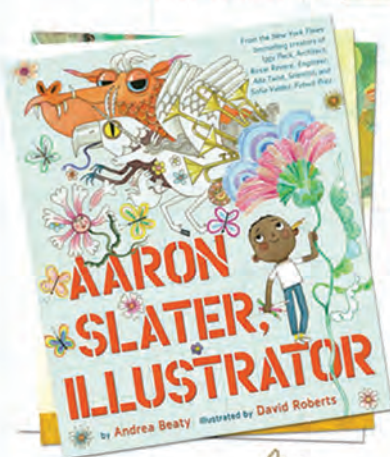


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## Senior Crafty Creations - Flower Arrangements

Wed., April 3, 10:30-11:30am. Connect, create and relax with others in an easygoing environment. All supplies for the simple crafts provided. Free. Ball-Chatham Senior Center, Chatham, 111 W. Mulberry St., 217-483-2713.

## Brain Aging Conference - Community Day

Thu., April 4, 10am-3pm. Learn the latest on caring for family, friends or others with early-stage memory loss. Hear from Smith Alzheimer's Center medical professionals, SIU medical department leaders and other caregivers. Call for more information. Registration is required. Free. Memorial Center for Learning and Innovation, 228 W. Miller St., 217-545-7204.

## First Friday Concert Series

Fri., April 5, 7pm. Duruflé's Requiem performed by the Millikin University Choir. [spicathedral.org](http://spicathedral.org). Free. Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 524 E. Lawrence Ave., 217-522-3342.

## Giselle by Grand Kyiv Ballet

Fri., April 5, 7pm. A classical ballet that tells the story of a peasant girl who falls in love with a nobleman disguised as a commoner. [uispac.com](http://uispac.com). \$35-\$89. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

## Wildflower and Bird Walks

Every Saturday in April, 10am and 2pm. Guided wildflower walks of Elkhart Hill. \$15 per adult or \$10 per child. Reservations required by calling 217-947-2238. Tours leave from Country Bumpkin, 103 Gov. Oglesby St., Elkhart.

## The State of Black Springfield

Sat., April 6, 8:30am-8:30pm. Conference designed to provide opportunities for Black Springfield residents to speak to their own needs regarding education, religion, government, health care, family and economic growth. UIS to provide snacks and free meals. Register online. UIS Public Affairs Center (PAC), One University Plaza, 217-206-6073.

## Spring Market

Sat., April 6, 10am-2pm. Shop the expanded market at the mansion and Becker Library. More than 40 incredible local vendors will be on hand with bath and body products, vintage items, health and beauty, decor, home and baked goods, jewelry and more. Including music, face painting and more. See the Facebook page for more info. Brinkerhoff Mansion, 1500 N. 5th St., 217-361-5555.

## Springfield Watch & Clock Show and Sale

Sat., April 6, 11am-2pm. Buy, sell or simply look and learn about mechanical clocks and watches. Have a clock, wristwatch or pocket watch and want to learn

more about it or sell it? Bring it along. Sponsored by the Route 66 Watch & Clock Club. See the Facebook page for more info. Free. Casey's Pub, 2200 S. Meadowbrook Road, 217-241-7101.

## Light the Way Celebration

Sat., April 6, 6-9pm. Learn how Girls on the Run of Central Illinois is empowering young girls to become strong women. Food, complimentary beer and wine, silent auction and raffle. Founder of Girls on the Run International, Molly Barker, will be the guest speaker. RSVP by April 3. [gotrcentralillinois.org](http://gotrcentralillinois.org). \$75 or two for \$125. BOS Center, 1 Convention Center Plaza, 217-726-9808.

## Henson Robinson Zoo Opening Weekend

April 6-7, 10am-5pm. Kids ages 3-12 can rocket through the zooniverse to discover animal constellations and collect stars at Satellite Stations. Create a cosmic craft, enjoy a celestial snack and learn about the sun and the upcoming total solar eclipse with Stellar Astrophysicist, professor John C. Martin. Henson Robinson Zoo, 1100 East Lake Shore Drive, 217-544-1751.

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## Lincoln Presidential Half Marathon

Sat., April 6, 7:30am. So much history in just 13.1 miles. Race starts and finishes at the Old State Capitol where Lincoln gave his House Divided speech and near his former law office. The course also passes by his home, through Oak Ridge Cemetery and other sites with Lincoln ties. Hosted by Springfield Road Runners Club. [src.net](http://src.net). Old State Capitol, 1 Old State Capitol Plaza, 217-492-5823.

## Improvisation and Illusions

Sat., April 6, 8pm. Hilarious scenes created on the spot. Be astounded as local magic entertainers provide a sense of wonder. Fill your night with joy and amazement with the games and magic. However, take note that they may not be appropriate for all ages. [hcfa.org](http://hcfa.org). \$15. Hoogland Center for the Arts Club Room, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

## Spring Lawn and Garden Expo

April 6-7. Local vendors selling plants, flowers, garden art, supplies, grills, mowers, decks, landscaping and more. Free. Orr Building, Illinois State Fairgrounds, 801 Sangamon Ave., 217-528-3033.

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## Club LaCage Drag Show

April 6, 7pm. The Phoenix Center presents a fun-filled evening of drag, music, comedy, big hair and top-notch fashion starring many of Springfield's best drag performers. VIP seating is available. All seating includes snacks and swag. \$30-\$40. Proceeds benefit Pridefest. Hoogland Center for the Arts. [springfieldpride.org](http://springfieldpride.org). 217-523-2787.

## Jose Gobbo Trio

Sun., April 7, 3-5pm. Part of the Illinois College Fine Arts Series. [ic.edu/events](http://ic.edu/events). \$20, students and children free. Illinois College Rammelkamp Chapel, Jacksonville, 215 Park St., 217-245-3192.

## Central Illinois STEM Fair

Wed., April 10, 6-8pm. Showcases locally available STEM activities for students of all grade levels and covering a wide range of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Last year it hosted 77 exhibits and attracted more than 500 attendees from 20 different schools in central Illinois. See the Facebook page for more info and how to register. Free but tickets required. Rochester High School, Rochester, 3 Rocket Drive, 217-498-9761.

## Gala Night

Thu., April 11, 5:30pm. "Reimagining and Rebuilding for More," hosted by the Faith Coalition for the Common Good. Features dinner, live music and drinks. Tickets \$35-\$60. RSVP by emailing [Tyshianna@faithcoalition-il.org](mailto:Tyshianna@faithcoalition-il.org) or calling. Artisans Building, Illinois State Fairgrounds, 217-544-2297.

## Trading Hands Kids Sale

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## Film and Art Event

Fri., April 12, 5pm. Hosted by Springfield Audubon Society in celebration of Earth Day and the 75th anniversary of *A Sand County Almanac*. Social hour with refreshments, information tables and art exhibit begins at 5:30pm. Showing of *Green Fire* begins at 7pm, followed by a Q&A with Buddy Huffaker. Call for registration info. [illinoisaudubon.org](http://illinoisaudubon.org). Hoogland Center for the Arts, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-544-2473.

## Poetry open mic

Fri., April 12, 6-9pm. Poets and spoken works artists of all levels of experience invited. \$5 suggested donation at door. [Pharmacygallery.com](http://Pharmacygallery.com). Pharmacy Gallery & Art Space, 623 E. Adams St.

## Lush and Lyrical

Fri., April 12, 7:30pm. Illinois Symphony Orchestra

with oboist Russell Hoffman and conducted by Tania Miller. Elgar Introduction and Allegro; Vaughan Williams Oboe Concerto; Schubert Symphony No. 5. Join a casual conversation immediately following the performance. [ilsymphony.org](http://ilsymphony.org). \$26. Age 24 and younger \$10. First Presbyterian Church, 321 S. Seventh St., 217-528-4311.

## API's Upscale Collectible Sale

Fri., April 12, noon-7pm; Sat., April 13, 9am-4pm; and Sun., April 14, 9am-noon. Bargain hunters will find hundreds of treasures at this annual event. Admission varies each day. Proceeds benefit the Animal Protective League of Springfield and Sangamon County. 2425 S. MacArthur Blvd., 217-361-6212.

## John Proctor is the Villain

April 12-14 and April 18-20. Alternately touching and funny, this new comedy captures a generation in mid-transformation, running on pop music, optimism and fury, and writing their own coming-of-age story. Winner of the Helen Hayes Award for Outstanding Production of a Play. [uispac.com](http://uispac.com). \$6-\$14. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

## Noises Off

April 12-13, 7:30pm, Sun., April 14, 2pm, April 19-20, 7:30pm and Sun., April 21, 2pm. A play within a play where a mediocre theatre troupe rehearses a touring production of a romp comedy, Nothing On. Unfortunately, almost nothing goes right. Presented by the Springfield Theatre Centre. [hcfa.org](http://hcfa.org). \$22. Hoogland Center for the Arts, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

## Let's Be Frank - Perfectly Frank

Sat., April 13, 6-9pm. Storyteller Timothy Totten will weave a tale of love, loss and the emperor of Japan as he recounts the triumphs and tragedies of architect Frank Lloyd Wright. Event includes three-course meal, wine and program. Reservations requested by April 1. [dana-thomas.org](http://dana-thomas.org). \$100. The Inn at 835, 835 S. Second St., 217-788-9452.

## Superhero Hustle 5K

Sat., April 13, 9am-12pm. Categories for ages 1-12, 13-17 and UIS students 18-24. A flat and fun course for first-time 5K participants, and great for those looking for a personal best. Children who run will receive a free Kiwanis cape. A fundraising event for the Downtown Kiwanis' community programs. UIS Recreation and Athletic Center, 2171 University Dr., 217-206-6073.

## Spring Fling Craft Fair and Cruise In

Sat., April 13, 10am-4pm. Cool cars, motorcycles and crafts. Same-day registration starts at 8am. Hosted by the Southern View Neighborhood Watch. \$5. Southern View Park, South Fourth Street, 529-3352.

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#### **Come From Away**

Sun., April 14, 7:30pm. This musical is based on the remarkable true story of 7,000 stranded plane passengers and the small town in Newfoundland that welcomed them. Part of the Broadway Series. Uispac.com. \$34-\$99. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

#### **Kids Good Grief Camp**

Sun., April 14, 12-4pm. A supportive and fun camp for children ages 6-12 who have experienced the death of a loved one. Register by April 1. [staabfuneralhomes.com](http://staabfuneralhomes.com). \$10, scholarships available. Erin’s Pavilion, Southwind Park, 4965 S. Second St., 312-890-2241.

#### **Capital Area Concert Band 50th anniversary concert**

Tue., April 16, 7-8pm. The CACB celebrates its 50th anniversary of “sharing the joy of live music” with the Springfield community. The band will perform well-known standards and newer compositions in a concert that will have audience members toe-tapping along with the musicians. Free. Springfield First United Methodist Church, 2941 S. Koke Mill Road, 217-971-5008.

#### **Nash**

Wed., April 17, 1pm. Pet therapy team, Christie and Nash the dog, will be in to visit seniors. [ssoci.org](http://ssoci.org). Free. Senior Services of Central Illinois, 701 W. Mason St., 217-528-4035.

#### **National Clydesdale Sale**

April 18-20. The largest Clydesdale sale in the country. Visit the website for the full schedule of events. [clydesale.com](http://clydesale.com). Free admission. Coliseum, Illinois State Fairgrounds, 801 Sangamon Ave., 815-247-8780.

#### **Flycatchers of Illinois**

Thu., April 18, 6-7pm. Springfield Audubon Society hosts Dr. Matt Hayes to discuss Flycatcher identification. Tyrant flycatchers are the world’s largest family of birds with approximately 425 known species. Learn to identify various Illinois flycatcher species based on field marks and song/call. Free. Adams Wildlife Sanctuary, 2315 Clear Lake Ave., 217-544-2473.

#### **Yee Haw Jamboree**

Thu., April 18, 11:30am. Dress in western wear and enjoy a special performance by the Silver Steppers. Includes line dancing, cactus juice and western chips and dip. [centralilseiors.org](http://centralilseiors.org). Senior Services of Central Illinois, 701 W. Mason St., 217-528-4035.

#### **Earth Awareness Fair**

Sat., April 20, 11am-3pm. In honor of Earth Day and Earth Awareness Month, this event is meant to bring together city departments, organizations, businesses and individuals to showcase and encourage Earth stewardship, resilience, sustainability and community building within the city. Organized by the Office of Public Works, Waste & Recycling Division since 1992. Union Square Park, 212 N. Sixth St.

#### **Junior and Senior Naturalists**

Sat., April 20. Join in some fun Earth Day activities. Junior naturalists ages 5-8 will meet from 10am-12pm. Senior naturalists ages 8-12 will meet from 1-3pm. \$15 or \$12 for members. Lincoln Memorial Garden, 2301 E. Lake Shore Drive, 217-529-1111.

#### **Celtic Woman**

Thu., April 18, 7-9pm, and Sat., April 20, 7:30pm. In the 20 years since its debut, Celtic Woman has emerged as both a formidable musical presence and genuine cultural phenomenon. The group’s albums and DVD releases have been consistent multi-platinum best sellers and its concert tours continue to touch the hearts of a devoted, global audience. Both an accomplished recording ensemble and world-class performing collective, Celtic Woman introduces some of Ireland’s most talented singers and musicians to the world stage. \$42.50-\$153.50. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

#### **Timeline/Medical event**

Sat., April 20, 10am. Learn about the history of medicine in the military at this event. Then tour the museum. Free. Illinois State Military Museum, 1301 N. MacArthur Blvd., 217-761-3910.

#### **A Midsummer Night’s Dream**

April 20-21. Shakespeare’s play reimagined as a ballet. Enter a whimsical realm where love, magic and mischief intertwine. Set in an enchanted forest, the tale follows the romantic escapades of four young lovers and the mischievous antics of the fairy king and queen and their impish servant. [atthelegacy.com](http://atthelegacy.com). \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. The Legacy Theatre, 101 E. Lawrence, 800-838-3006.

#### **Arabian Horse Value Show**

April 20-21. Featuring dressage, Western dressage, sport horse under saddle and sport horse in hand. The CenterLine Dressage Ice Breaker Show will also accompany the rated classes with plenty of showing opportunities for dressage riders on any breed. [arabinc.org](http://arabinc.org). Free. Illinois State Fairgrounds, 801 Sangamon Ave., 217-556-3971.

#### **Disney’s Winnie the Pooh Kids**

Fri., April 26, 7pm, Sat., April 27, 2, 7pm and Sun., April 28, 2pm. Welcome to the Hundred Acre Wood, where you’ll once again find Winnie the Pooh and his pals, Tigger, Piglet, Rabbit and Owl. [hcfa.org](http://hcfa.org). \$15. Hoogland Center for the Arts LRS Theatre 1, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

#### **UIS Honor Band Festival and UIS Band Concert**

Sat., April 27, 7pm. Enjoy this performance by the UIS High School Honor Band and UIS Band at the Sangamon Auditorium, One University Plaza. 217-206-6240.

#### **Alfred Hitchcock’s The 39 Steps**

April 26-27, 7:30pm, Sun., April 28, 3pm, May 3-4, 7:30pm and Sun., May 5, 3pm. A spoof of the old Alfred Hitchcock movie and loaded with Alfred Hitchcock film references. Four actors play over 140 characters in this fast-paced comedy. [hcfa.org](http://hcfa.org). \$22; seniors and students \$20. Hoogland Center for the Arts Peggy Ryder Theatre, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

#### **Lady Frederick**

April 26-28. This comedy by British writer William Somerset Maugham was first performed in London in 1907. An Irish widow, seriously in debt, must deal with suitors who have various motives for proposing marriage, and with the man with whom she once had an affair. [edwardsplace.org](http://edwardsplace.org). \$15 or \$10 for SAA members. Edwards Place, Springfield Art Association, 700 N. Fourth St., 217-523-2631.

#### **Underground Railroad Spring Bus Tour**

Sun., April 28, 12:30-5pm. Guides in period attire will tell the fascinating stories of the brave men and women of our history while you are bussed to the Underground Railroad sites. Meet at Illinois College McGaw Fine Arts Center (parking behind the center). Includes light refreshments. Reservations required. [jacksonvilleil.com](http://jacksonvilleil.com). Adult \$20, children \$10. Woodlawn Farm, Jacksonville, 1463 Geirke Lane, 217-479-4144.

#### **Bluey’s Big Play**

Tue., April 30, 6-8pm and Wed., May 1, 6-8pm. Bluey’s Big Play is a brand-new theatrical adaptation of the Emmy award-winning children’s television series. Join the Heelers in their first live theater show. Featuring brilliantly created puppets, this is Bluey as you’ve never seen it before. [uispac.com](http://uispac.com). \$33-\$131. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

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### "Spirituality" exhibit opening

May 3-4, 6-9pm. Event includes light hors d'oeuvres with wine and soft drinks available. Exhibit will continue through July. Free. Pharmacygallery.com. Pharmacy Gallery & Art Space, 623 E. Adams St.

### Annual Illinois Vietnam Veterans Vigil

May 3-5. Yearly 24-hour event honors all veterans and active-duty military with a focus on Vietnam War veterans. Visit the Vietnam Veterans Annual Vigil Facebook page for more information. Veterans Memorial Complex, Oak Ridge Cemetery, 1500 Monument Ave. illinoisvmmav.org.

### First Sunday Midwest Bazaar Spring Fever

May 5, 8am-4pm. You never know what you're going to find at this bazaar. Top-notch vendors, food and even a pet adoption mobile site. You can even visit with some alpacas. Orr Building, Illinois State Fairgrounds, 801 Sangamon Ave., 217-725-8047.

### Symphony Supper

Fri., May 3, 5-6:30pm. Enjoy a pre-concert dinner with other music enthusiasts at Symphony Suppers. Hosted by the Illinois Symphony Guild of Springfield. Social time with cash bar at 5pm and dinner at 5:30pm. Reservations due by April 26, 2024. Call or visit the website for ticket info. ilsymphony.org. \$40. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-522-2838.

### Hammer-In

Sat., May 4, 9am-3pm. The blacksmiths will be working and all of the buildings will be open for this popular annual event. clayville.org. Clayville Historic Site, Pleasant Plains, Route 125, 217-481-4430.

### Jane Austen Tea

Sat., May 4, 1pm. Learn about popular tea customs of the past, while participating in a program focused on Jane Austen, author of the classic novel, *Pride and Prejudice*. Includes tea, tea foods and gifts. edwardsplace.org. \$45 pr \$40 for SAA members. Edwards Place, Springfield Art Association, 700 N. Fourth St., 217-523-2631.

### Liturgical Arts Festival of Springfield

Sat., May 4, through Saturday, May 11. The Liturgical Arts Festival, a biennial interfaith event, is inspired by the beautiful diversity of faith traditions within the community. Liturgical arts are all the ways the people connect with the divine through creativity

and beauty: music, dance, drama, poetry, visual arts and architecture. LAFS programs are accessible to those of any faith or none; and are free and open to the public. See the full schedule at lafspringfield.org. Springfield Area Arts Council, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-753-3519.

### Jedi and Padawans

Sat., May 4, 7pm. A family friendly show. Come dressed as your favorite Wookiee, rebel or Twi'lek for a chance to win a prize for best costume. Presented by Capital City Improv and Teen Improv Troupe. hcfta.org. \$15. Hoogland Center for the Arts Club Room, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

### Chicago

Tue., May 7, 7:30pm. After 25 years, this tale of fame, fortune and all that jazz has one show-stopping song after another with amazing dancing. Part of the Broadway Series. uispac.com. \$34-\$99. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

### Nash

Wed., May 8, 1-1:30pm. Pet Therapy Team, Christie and Nash, will stop by to visit. Senior Services of Central Illinois, 701 W. Mason St., 217-528-4035.

### Bored Teachers: We Can't Make This Stuff Up!

Thu., May 9, 7:30-9:30pm. The world's funniest teacher-comedians all on one stage. Their hilarious skits have amassed hundreds of millions of views on the internet, and they're all joining comic forces on stage for a night of laughter you do not want to miss. uispac.com. \$35 - \$55. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

### Fat Ass 5K and Street Party

Fri., May 10, 5:30-11:30pm and Sat., May 11, 10am-3pm. The Craft Beer and Cigar Festival on Friday night features live music by The Shenanigans, Lick Creek and Off the Wall. The 5K takes off on Saturday, followed by the street party with live music by Captain Geech and the Shrimp Shack Shooters. Visit the website or call for registration info. fatass5k.com. Downtown Springfield, Downtown, 217-525-1111.

### The Bridges of Madison County

May 10-11, 7:30pm, Sun., May 12, 2pm, May 17-18, 7:30pm and Sun., May 19, 2pm. This sweeping romance about the roads we travel, the doors we open and the bridges we dare to cross will leave audiences breathless. Based on the best-selling novel. Presented by the Springfield Theatre Centre. hcfta.org. \$22. Hoogland Center for the Arts, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

### Illinois Native Plant Society Sale

Sat., May 11, 9am-12pm. The area's largest native plant sale in both diversity and quantity. Native trees, shrubs, herbaceous plants and multiple milkweed species to help you create a habitat at home, plus many other species that benefit native wildlife,

and grown from local seed sources when available. illinoisplants.org. Illinois State Fairgrounds Reisch Pavilion, 801 Sangamon Ave., 217-243-6055.

### Mother's Day Remembrance Tribute

Sat., May 11, 10am. Honoring all mothers and the important roles they have played in our lives. roselawninfo.com. Roselawn Memorial Park, 1735 S. Camp Butler Road, 525-1661.

### PBS Kids Down Under

Sat., May 11, 10am-5pm. Celebrating creatures and culture in the Southern Hemisphere along with PBS KIDS Work It Wombats. Free admission. Henson Robinson Zoo, 1100 East Lake Shore Drive, 217-585-1821.

### Central Illinois Senior Celebration

Wed., May 15. "Powered by Connection." Lots of exhibitors, health screenings and live entertainment. Free admission with a donation of a canned food item. Hosted by Senior Services of Central Illinois. centralillinois.org. Orr Building, Illinois State Fairgrounds, 801 Sangamon Ave., 217-528-4035.

### Senior Crafty Creations - Sunflower Suncatcher

Wed., May 15, 10:30-11:30am. Connect, create and relax with others in an easygoing environment. All supplies for the simple crafts provided. Bring conversation and imagination. To help the supply costs, please consider a donation of \$3 per craft. Free. Ball-Chatham Senior Center, Chatham, 111 W. Mulberry St., 217-483-2713.

### Armed Forces Day Military Vehicle Show

Sat., May 18, 10am. Check out various military vehicles and tour the museum. Free. Illinois State Military Museum, 1301 N. MacArthur Blvd., 217-761-3910.

### Illinois Product Farmers Market

Thursdays, May 16 through Sept. 26, 3:30-7pm. Local meats, produce, dairy products, baked goods, honey and jams, craft beers, woodworking, jewelry and more. Plus live entertainment and a food truck. Illinois State Fairgrounds, The Shed, 801 Sangamon Ave., 217-524-9129.

### Springfield PrideFest

Sat., May 18. The gayest of days embracing diversity and celebrating the local LGBTQ community. Great entertainment, drag show, food and drinks, a fun-filled family area, youth and teen talent shows, vendors and pride merchandise. Organized by the Phoenix Center. springfieldpride.org. Downtown Springfield, Downtown.

### Old Capital Art Fair

May 18-19. Set against the backdrop of the Old State Capitol, the art fair is the jewel of the Midwest that brings artists and shoppers from across the country flocking to downtown Springfield. socaf.org. Free. Old State Capitol Plaza, between Fifth and Sixth streets at Adams.



# Perfect recipes for eggs, just in time for spring

FOOD | Ashley Meyer

Eggs have been a symbol of spring for centuries, long before the advent of Christianity and our modern hunts for Easter eggs. The ancient Greeks, Romans and Egyptians all had beliefs relating to eggs and the creation of the universe, that the earth itself was born out of an egg. Cultures around the world decorate eggs to exchange as gifts of goodwill and to celebrate the coming of a new season. The modern custom of dyeing eggs for Easter stems from these pre-Christian cultures, which came to see eggs as a manifestation of spring and new of life emerging after a long winter. This pagan tradition of dyeing eggs to celebrate the warmth of the spring sun translated nicely to the Christian celebration of Easter, especially when eggs were forbidden in the 40 days of Lent.

The association of eggs with springtime should make sense to anyone who raises their own hens. If the idea intrigues you, check out *Backyard Chickens 101* on page 15. During the darkest weeks of winter, a chicken's egg output will decrease due to the reduced hours of sunlight each day. This is because when a hen's retina detects light it stimulates the production of reproductive hormones, so fewer hours of sunlight means fewer eggs. What may have been a meager supply over the winter suddenly becomes generous as the days lengthen.

Regardless of how they're prepared, eggs provide powerful nutrition including protein, beneficial fats and loads of vitamins. We love them for breakfast in large part because they're fast and easy to prepare, but don't count them out for dinner. Eggs can be incredibly elegant thanks to their magical ability to create their own luxurious sauce, perfect for tossing with pasta or topping a bunch of perfectly steamed asparagus. They can also brighten up and fortify devastatingly simple yet delicious dishes, whether it's finely chopped hard-boiled egg on top of caviar or scrambled alongside buttered toast.

## Perfectly poached

Poached eggs always feel fancy, thanks to their association with luxe brunch dishes like eggs Benedict. What's awesome about them, especially for entertaining, is that they can be made ahead, chilled and stored in cold water for three days before quickly rewarming in hot water just before serving. I prefer to use a wide Dutch oven-type pot filled with



Asparagus salad with poached egg and Parmesan cheese.

two quarts of water. Bring to a simmer and add a tablespoon of white or cider vinegar. Working one at a time, crack up to six eggs over a slotted spoon to allow the watery portion to drain away, then gently slip them

into the simmering water, spacing them evenly around the pot. Cover the pot and take it off the stove to sit for three to four minutes, depending on how runny you want the yolks. Carefully remove each egg with a

slotted spoon and drain briefly before serving or transfer it gently into a dish of ice water to stop it cooking. Rewarm poached eggs in hot water that's just below simmering, about 150 degrees, for two minutes. Poached eggs are delicious in a bowl of ramen, on top of a mixed green salad (Try poaching them in dry red or white wine!), or over asparagus with a sprinkle of crispy garlic breadcrumbs and spring chives.

## Hard- or soft-boiled

There are countless ways to hard or soft cook an egg, but it turns out that steaming is the most effective method because the temperature of steam is much more consistent than the temperature of water boiling in a pot, where the eggs on the bottom of a pot of boiling water will be exposed to more heat. To steam eggs, bring a couple inches of water to a boil in a saucepan with a tight-fitting lid. When the water boils, place fridge cold eggs in a steamer basket, lower it into the saucepan and cover. For soft boiled eggs, steam for six minutes. For eggs with a slightly gummy center, cook for 10-11 minutes. For hard-cooked eggs, cook for 12 minutes. Remove the eggs and place in a bowl of cold tap water until cool enough to handle, then gently crack the shell by tapping it on the counter, then slip your finger under the membrane separating the white from the shell. Serve warm or cool completely to slice for salads or to make deviled eggs.

## Scrambled

It's hard to mess up a scramble, but small additions and techniques can have a huge impact. For the fluffiest scrambled eggs, beat in one tablespoon of water per egg before pouring them into the hot skillet. The water basically steams the egg from the inside out while cooking, resulting in an extra fluffy scramble. If creamy eggs are what you crave, swap out milk or cream for the water. Browning the butter in the skillet before adding the eggs is another opportunity to add a layer of flavor. Add the eggs to the hot butter in the skillet and stir until they begin to look slightly curdled, then lower the heat and gently fold the lumpy egg mixture over itself while shaking the pan. When the eggs are just barely set, transfer to a warmed plate and let rest for a minute to let the egg finish cooking before serving. □



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Hang on to your hats and whatever else is blowin' in the wind this month, as March is living up to its blustery reputation. The coming weekend looks to be pleasant enough for the season, so let's see what is happening around town that will get you going out to see some live music.

I spy some fun open mics on Thursday beginning with Casey Cantrall hosting his once-a-month spot at The Wakery starting at 7 p.m. This will be CC's first as a father, since he and wife Tiffany became proud parents of a son, Elijah Casey Cantrall, on March 13. The couple, integral members of our music community, perform a duo act called The Tangents. Let's all congratulate them on the healthy birth, then get that kid a guitar as soon as possible. Other open mics in town on Thursday include an acoustic version at the Railyard (4-6 p.m.) and then a full band jam night at The Blue Grouch (7-11 p.m.).

Fridays are always filled with a variety of musical entertainment so let's just bounce around to show a sampling of what's out there. We can start with classic, cool jazz when the Blue Note Quintet takes a turn during the Friday Night Jazz & Blues weekly series at Boone's, then drift over to HyVee Wahlburger's for a visit with Mandy Rose singing along to her acoustic guitar. The Curve hosts a night showcasing some younger musicians in town with UNCHAINED, Crash Planet and Silhouette, while downtown at Dumb Records another



Ricki Marvel plays a concert at Dumb Records this Saturday night along with Pinksqueeze and Emily the Band.

three-band show of the younger generation happens when Ricki Marvel, Pinksqueeze and Emily the Band fill the record store with original live music.

George Rank's heralds the return of the Sarah Schneider Band to the round bar, then out in Riverton, Jeb Brown gives us rising Americana star Eric Hagen in the intimate Backroom Lounge and country legend Billy Don Burns

gets going at Twisted Tree in Jacksonville with me in the opening slot, joined by Owen Irwin and Amy Battles. Now let's add in some true blues with Chris Camp and his Blues Ambassadors landing at Weebles on the north side, while Sound Decision featuring Carl Bopp and Ed Smith take all your popular requests at Lime Street. How's that for just one night?

Saturday delivers big time, including a special "Live and in Person" concert by the world-renowned, widely acclaimed music artist John Mellencamp at UIS Sangamon Auditorium. You'd be hard-pressed to find someone who didn't know of Mr. Mellencamp's incredible 35-year (and counting) career in American music and on this tour, the Indiana native is putting it all into a lifelong perspective. Plus, out at Danenberger Family Vineyards comes Daniel Donato, a Nashville-based, virtuoso guitarist highly respected within his music community, bringing his "Cosmic Country" show to the rural New Berlin winery stage.

Sunday afternoon back out at Danenberger's, catch the Springfield area debut by the Travis Ried Band, featuring Travis, who often plays with bluesman James Armstrong, on electric guitar and vocals, Jeff Cunningham on bass and Max Grevenbrock on drums. Expect soul, funk, blues and Southern rock all meshed together, power trio style, from this group of seasoned musicians.

Also on Sunday, family and friends gather at The Curve Inn for Mike Unland's Celebration of Life, 1-6 p.m. Music made to honor Mike starts with the David Lumsden Group, followed by Grand Theft Audio and the Brandy Kristin Band, then ends with Russ and Troy in a Powerdown Experience.

That's all for this week, but please check our listings for more music marching on. □

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**Manny Lee**  
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**Jackpot Karaoke with Debbie Cakes**  
Curve Inn, 7-11pm

**Open mic with Bob Besser**  
Decatur Brew Works, Decatur, 6pm

**Ricarda Rosalina**  
El Arriero Mexican Restaurant, Third Thursday of every month, 6-8pm

**Karaoke**  
Goodfellas Pub, 8pm.

**J.C.B. Entertainment Karaoke**  
La Fiesta Chatham, 6-10pm

**Open mic**  
The Railyard, 4-6pm

**Open mic with Silas Tockey**  
Spirited Republic/Limerick Brewing Company, Lincoln, 7-10pm

**Kortney and friends open mic**  
The Blue Grouch, 7-11pm

**Open mic with Casey Contrall**  
The Wakery, Third Thursday of every month, 7pm

## Friday Mar 22

**Eric Hagen**  
The Backroom Lounge, Riverton, 8pm

**J.C.B. Entertainment Karaoke**  
Bald Buddha Brewing, 7-11pm

**Friday Night Jazz - Blue Note Quintet**  
Boone's, 5:30-7:30pm

**The Guilty Boys**  
The Crowbar, Decatur, 8-11pm

**Matt Eck**  
Crowne Plaza Springfield, 6:30-10pm

**UNCHAINED with Crash Planet, Silhouette**  
Curve Inn, 6-10pm

**Windy City Dueling Pianos**  
Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 8pm

**Gianna Hines**  
Docs Just Off 66, Girard, 6-8pm

**Ricki Marvel, Pinksqueeze, Emily the Band**  
Dumb Records, 7pm

**Sarah Schneider Band**  
George Rank's, 8-11pm

**Deja Voodoo**  
The Hangout Bar & Grill, Jacksonville, 8-11pm

**Whatever**  
Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, 6-9pm

**Mandy Rose**  
Hy-Vee Wahlburgers, 5:30-7pm

**Karaoke**  
JB's Hideout, Blue Mound, 8pm-12am

**Ricarda Rosalina**  
La Fiesta Grande, 6-9pm

**Sound Decision**  
Lime Street Cafe, 7-10pm and March 23, 7-10pm

**The Reunion Beatles**  
Lincoln Square Theatre, Decatur, 7pm

**Billy Don Burns with Tom Irwin**  
Twisted Tree Music Hall, Jacksonville, 7pm

**Chris Camp and His Blues Ambassadors**  
Weebles Bar & Grill, 7-11pm

## Saturday Mar 23

**Mary Kate Smith and Damian Zimmerman**  
1st and 3rd Boutique and Wine Bar, Petersburg, 3-6pm

**Tail Light Rebellion**  
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7pm

**Karaoke with Melissa**  
Coghlan's Hideout LLC, Bulpitt, 9pm-1am.

**The Rick Mari Band**  
Curve Inn, 6-10pm

**Daniel Donato**  
Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 8pm

**Blacktop South**  
The Hangout Bar & Grill, Jacksonville, 8-11pm

**Astrofix**  
JD's Cues & Brews, 6-9pm

**Raised on Radio**  
Kuhl Tyme Korner, Jacksonville,

8pm-12am

**Sound Decision**  
Lime Street Cafe, 7-10pm

**Renegade Karaoke**  
Northern Lights Lounge, 8:30pm-12:30am

**Rod Grant**  
Pier 55 Lounge, 8-11pm

**Intrusive Minds, Dark Surface, Whitmore, HardHanded, Despised Mourning**  
Pizza Records, Jacksonville, 5pm

**Lady Luck**  
Pop's Place, Decatur, 8-11pm

**Open mic**  
Stella Coffee & Tea, Fourth Saturday of every month, 10am-12:30pm

**Karaoke**  
The Next Stop Saloon, Mount Pulaski, 8pm-12am

**Tom Beverly and Geoff Ryan**  
Town Hall Pub, Loami, 7-10pm

**John Mellencamp**  
UIS Performing Arts Center, 8pm

**Pizzazz**  
VFW Post 99, Decatur, 7:30-10:30pm

**Roxschool**  
Weebles Bar & Grill, 7pm

## Sunday Mar 24

**White Lightnin'**  
American Legion Post 279, Jacksonville, 3-6pm

**Not Petty**  
Buckhart Tavern, Rochester, 3-6pm

**David Lumsden Group, Grand Theft Audio and more**  
Curve Inn, 1-6pm

**The Travis Ried Band**  
Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 2-5pm

**Billy Galt**  
Harvest Market Coffee Bar, 10am-1pm

**Beige Desperadoes**  
Hill Prairie Winery, Oakford, 2-5pm

**Jim Ackerman**  
It's All About Wine, 3-6pm

**Matt Combs**  
Lucky's on the Square, Petersburg, 3-6pm

**Wolf Crick Boys**  
Mama Lee's Sandbar, 4pm

**Michael Charles**  
Pop's Place, Decatur, 3-6pm

**Thomas J Beverly**

The Range Bourbon & Brew, Chatham, 1-4pm

**Keith Dunlap**  
Slaughterhouse Brewing Co., Auburn, 1-4pm

## Monday Mar 25

**Bruce Katz**  
The Alamo, 7pm

**Al Kitchen**  
Fulgenzi's Pizza and Pasta, 6-9pm

## Tuesday Mar 26

**Karaoke by J.C.B. Entertainment**  
Crows Mill Pub, 8pm-1am

**Open mic with Bob Besser**  
Golden Fox Brewing, Decatur, Fourth Tuesday of every month, 6-9pm

**Songwriter open mic with Tom Irwin**  
It's All About Wine, 6-9pm

**Open mic with Jim Ackerman**  
Silver Sevens Gaming Pub & Parlor, 6:30-9:30pm.

**Karaoke with Debbie Cakes**  
The Blue Grouch, 7-11pm

**Open mic with Tom Beverly**  
Wings Etc, 6:30-8:30pm

## Wednesday Mar 27

**Mary Jo Curry Band**  
Benderz, Auburn, 7-10pm

**Open mic with Joel Honey and Silas Tockey**  
Boone's, 7-10pm

**Karaoke**  
Cliques, 9pm-1am

**Karaoke with Melissa**  
Coghlan's Hideout LLC, Bulpitt, 7-11pm.

**After School Special**  
Coz's Pizza and Pub, 7:30pm

**Open mic**  
Crows Mill Pub, 7-10pm

**Blue County Pistol, Marble Teeth, Yardwaste, Cut Flowers**  
Dumb Records, 7pm

**Al Kitchen and friends**  
Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex, 6-9pm

**Karaoke with Debbie Cakes**  
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**NOTICE OF SALE**  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO TOWN & COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.  
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVEISEES OF PAUL H. GERDING, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF PAUL H. GERDING, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVEISEES OF PAUL H. GERDING, DECEASED, JASON P. GERDING, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE PAUL H. GERDING REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST DATED APRIL 10, 2008, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVEISEES OF PEGGY GERDING, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF PEGGY GERDING, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVEISEES OF PEGGY GERDING, DECEASED, JASON P. GERDING, STATE OF ILLINOIS -DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, RYAN A. GERDING, THEODORE HARVATIN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF PAUL H. GERDING, DECEASED AND THEODORE HARVATIN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF PEGGY GERDING, DECEASED, Defendants.

CASE NO. 23-FC-131  
PROPERTY ADDRESS:  
1607 E KEYS AVE  
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702  
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on March 6, 2024, the following described real estate, to-wit:

The following described property located in the COUNTY of SANGAMON.  
Permanent Index Number: 14-23.0-310-014 a/k/a 14-23-310-014

Commonly known as: 1607 E Keys Ave, Springfield, IL 62702  
will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on April 16, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the Auditorium on the 2nd Floor, 300 South 9th St, Springfield, Illinois.  
The Judgment amount is \$50,819.08.

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.  
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted.

The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate 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/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. 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 property will NOT be open for inspection.

Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information. For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719

The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5 (g-1).

If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. 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. Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO TOWN & COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., Plaintiff, Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549), Its Attorney Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549) HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Attorneys at Law P.O. Box 740 Decatur, IL 62525 Send Notice/Pleadings to: Veronika J. Miles (#6313161) Email: Non-CookPleadings@hsbattys.com Telephone: (217) 422-1719 Facsimile: (217) 422-1754

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff, vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVEISEES OF WALTER LEE HARBAUER, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF WALTER LEE HARBAUER, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVEISEES OF WALTER LEE HARBAUER, DECEASED, JO DEAN WHITNALL AKA JODEAN M TRONE AND THEODORE HARVATIN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF WALTER LEE HARBAUER, DECEASED, Defendants. CASE NO. 23-FC-195  
PROPERTY ADDRESS:

39 WINDSOR RD  
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702  
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on March 6, 2024, the following described real estate, to-wit:  
Permanent Index Number: 14-29.0-105-013 aka 14-29-0-105-013  
Commonly known as: 39 Windsor Rd, Springfield, IL 62702  
will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on April 16, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the Auditorium on the 2nd Floor, 300 South 9th St, Springfield, Illinois.  
The Judgment amount is \$71,393.66.  
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate 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/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. 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 property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information. For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC PLAINTIFF, -vs- Unknown Heirs and/or Legatees of Russell W. Killen, Deceased; Jason Killen; Michael Killen; Rosemary Schnepf, as Special Representative of Russell W. Killen, Deceased; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS DEFENDANTS NO. 22 FC 249  
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE  
Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on December 20, 2023; Jack L Campbell, Sheriff, #1 Sheriff's Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701, will on April 9, 2024 at 9:00 AM, at Sangamon County Building, Sangamon County Board Room, 2nd Floor, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, sell to the highest bidder for ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours, the following described premises situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

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Permanent Index No.: 14-22.0-326-006  
Improvements: Single Family Residential

The property will NOT be open for inspection prior to the sale and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. The judgment amount was \$63,109.87. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this 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 Bid Amount contact: Sale Clerk LOGS Legal Group LLP 2121 Waukegan Road, Suite 301 Bannockburn, IL 60015 ILNOTICES@logs.com (847) 291-1717 Nationstar Mortgage LLC

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THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT  
AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL  
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FOR THIS DEBT HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED  
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STAY, THIS NOTICE IS PROVIDED SOLELY TO  
FORECLOSE THE MORTGAGE REMAINING  
ON YOUR PROPERTY AND IS NOT AN  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN  
ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS  
TRUSTEE OF MEB LOAN TRUST II,  
PLAINTIFF,  
VS.  
MELINDA R. JORDAN A/K/A MELINDA JOR-  
DAN; MIDLAND FUNDING LLC; UNKNOWN  
OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,  
DEFENDANTS.  
NO. 2022FC000182  
2400 SOUTH 6TH STREET SPRINGFIELD,  
IL 62703  
NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT  
OF FORECLOSURE  
UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE  
ACT  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure  
and Sale entered by the Court in the above  
entitled cause on January 10, 2024, Sheriff  
of Sangamon County will on April 23, 2024,  
in the Sangamon South Auditorium #1  
Copley Plaza (Old SJR Building) 1st Floor,  
Springfield, IL 62701, at 9:00 AM, sell at  
public auction and sale to the highest bidder  
for cash, all and singular, the following de-  
scribed real estate mentioned in said Judg-  
ment, situated in the County of Sangamon,  
State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall  
be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:  
TAX NO. 22-03.0-356-001  
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 2400 South 6th  
Street  
Springfield, IL 62703

Description of Improvements: The property is  
a single family home.  
The Judgment amount was \$18,195.77.  
Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for  
"CASH". The successful bidder must  
deposit 10% down by certified funds;  
balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours.  
NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general  
real estate taxes, special assessments or  
special taxes levied against said real estate,  
water bills, etc., and is offered for sale  
without any representation as to quality  
or quantity of title and without recourse  
to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to  
confirmation by the court.  
Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the  
purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale,  
which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to  
the real estate after confirmation of the sale.  
The property will NOT be open for inspec-  
tion. Prospective bidders are admonished to  
check the court file to verify all information.  
The successful purchaser has the sole re-  
sponsibility/expense of evicting any tenants  
or other individuals presently in possession  
of the subject premises.

If this property is a condominium unit, the  
purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure  
sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the  
assessments and the legal fees required by  
The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS  
605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).  
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-  
OWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN  
IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY  
OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCOR-  
DANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE  
ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.  
For Information: Visit our website at http://  
ilforeclosuresales.mrpllc.com.  
Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla  
Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attor-  
neys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago,  
IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please  
refer to file# 21-07957/L  
PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION  
PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY  
IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR  
ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY  
INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT  
PURPOSE.  
Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide  
additional information other than that set  
forth in this notice of sale.  
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NOTICE OF SALE  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD,  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
SECURITY BANK,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.

THOMAS R. BURGESS, JOHN DEERE FINAN-  
CIAL, F. S. B., MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGE-  
MENT, INC. AND KIMBERLY LEVERING,  
Defendants.  
CASE NO. 22-FC-219  
PROPERTY ADDRESS:  
1968 E. CONVERSE ST.  
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702

1812 N. 9TH ST.  
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702  
10729 DARNELL RD.  
DAWSON, IL 62520  
1816 & 1820 N. 9TH ST.  
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702  
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant  
to a Judgment of the above Court entered in  
the above entitled cause on August 30, 2023,  
the following described real estate, to-wit:  
Permanent Index Number: 14-23.0-379-011  
aka 14-23-379-011

Permanent Index Number: 14-22.0-256-018  
aka 14-22-256-018 fka 14-22-256-006 &  
14-22-256-005  
Permanent Index Number: 24-05.0-200-011  
Permanent Index Number: 14-22.0-256-004  
Permanent Index Number: 14-22.0-256-016  
Commonly known as: 1968 E. Converse St.,  
Springfield, IL 62702  
Commonly known as: 1812 N. 9th St.,  
Springfield, IL 62702  
Commonly known as: 10729 Darnell Rd.,  
Dawson, IL 62520  
Commonly known as: 1816 & 1820 N. 9th  
St., Springfield, IL 62702

will be offered for sale and sold at public  
vendue on April 16, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the  
Auditorium on the 2nd Floor, 300 South  
9th St, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$331,822.49.  
The real estate is improved with a single  
family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid  
by certified funds at the close of the sale  
payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County.  
No third party checks will be accepted. The  
balance, including the Judicial sale fee for  
Abandoned Residential Property Municipality  
Relief Fund, which is calculated on resi-  
dential real estate 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/or wire transfer, is due within  
twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid

by the mortgagee acquiring the residential  
real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the  
sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor,  
or other lienor acquiring the residential real  
estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged  
real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 representa-  
tion as to quality or quantity of title and  
without recourse to the Plaintiff and in "AS  
IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to  
confirmation by the Court.

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 property will NOT be open for inspection.  
Prospective bidders are admonished to  
check the Court file to verify all information.  
For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney:  
Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East  
William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217)  
422-1719

The purchaser of a condominium unit at  
a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a  
mortgagee, who takes possession of a  
condominium unit pursuant to a court order  
or a purchaser who acquires title from a  
mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the  
proportionate share, if any, of the common  
expenses for the unit which would have  
become due in the absence of any assess-  
ment acceleration during the 6 months im-  
mediately preceding institution of an action  
to enforce the collection of assessments,  
and which remain unpaid by the owner  
during whose possession the assessments  
accrued. If the outstanding assessments  
are paid at any time during any action to  
enforce the collection of assessments, the  
purchaser shall have no obligation to pay  
any assessments which accrued before he  
or she acquired title. If this property is a  
condominium unit which is part of a common  
interest community, the purchaser of the unit  
at the foreclosure sale other than a mort-  
gagee shall pay the assessments required  
by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS  
605/18.5 (g-1).

If the sale is not confirmed for any reason,  
the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled  
only to a return of the purchase price paid.  
The Purchaser shall have no further recourse  
against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the  
Mortgagee's attorney.  
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-  
OWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN  
IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY  
OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCOR-  
DANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE  
ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.  
Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection  
Practices Act you are advised that the Law  
Firm of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is  
deemed to be a debt collector attempting to  
collect a debt, and any information obtained  
will be used for that purpose.

SECURITY BANK,  
Plaintiff,  
Dated March 21, 2024 By Veronika J. Miles  
Veronika J. Miles (#6313161), Its Attorney  
Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC  
Veronika J. Miles (#6313161)  
HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC  
Attorneys at Law  
P.O. Box 740  
Decatur, IL 62525  
Send Notice/Pleadings to:  
Veronika J. Miles (#6313161)  
Email: Non-CookPleadings@hsbattys.com  
Telephone: (217) 422-1719  
Facsimile: (217) 422-1754

# PUBLIC NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
Estate of  
MARILYN ANN JOHNSON,  
Deceased.  
NO. 2024-PR-119  
CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Marilyn Ann Johnson  
of Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of  
Office were issued on March 14, 2024, to Kimber-  
ley Johnson, 31 Woodbury Hill, Springfield, Illinois  
62711, 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, Spring-  
field, Illinois 62701, or with the representative or  
both, on or before September 23, 2024, and any  
claim not filed on or before that date is barred.  
Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be  
mailed or delivered to the representative and to the  
attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.  
Dated this 14th day of March, 2024.  
Matthew J. Cate - 06272040  
Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP  
P.O. Box 79  
Springfield, IL 62705-0079  
(217) 544-4868  
matthewcate@barberlaw.com  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
Estate of:  
MARK E. WEAVER,  
Deceased.  
NO. 2024-PR-115  
CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Mark E. Weaver of  
Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were  
issued on March 13, 2024, to Alexander Weaver,  
4045 Lowell Blvd., Denver, Colorado 80211, 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 Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Spring-  
field, Illinois 62701 or with the representative or  
both, on or before September 20, 2024, and any  
claim not filed on or before that date is barred.  
Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be  
mailed or delivered to the representative and to the  
attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.  
Dated this 13th day of March, 2024.  
Matthew J. Cate - 06272040  
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  
COUNTY OF SANGAMON  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF  
BRENDA M. BAILEY, DECEASED.  
NO. 2024-PR-117  
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS

Notice is given of the death of BRENDA M. BAILEY,  
of Springfield, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued  
on March 13, 2024, to BARBARA MASON, 10603  
Watercress Lane, Frisco, TX 75033. The attorney  
for the Independent Administrator is DelGiorno  
Law Office, LLC, 2160 S. 6th Street, Suite D-1,  
Springfield, IL 62703.  
The estate will be administered without court su-  
pervision, 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 S. 9th Street, Springfield, IL  
62701 or with the representative, or both, within  
6 months from March 21, 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.html 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 13th day of March 2024  
BARBARA MASON, Independent Administrator of  
the Estate of BRENDA M. BAILEY, Deceased  
BY: DELGIORNO LAW OFFICE, LLC  
By: /s/Anthony J. DelGiorno  
Anthony J. DelGiorno, of Counsel  
Attorneys for Estate of BRENDA M. BAILEY:  
Anthony J. DelGiorno, Attorney  
IARDC No. 6277358  
DelGIORNO LAW OFFICE, LLC  
2160 S. Sixth St., Ste. D-1  
Springfield, IL 62703  
Tel. 217-773-5337  
Fax. 855-461-3250  
Email: tony@delgiornolawoffice.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
In the Matter of the Estate of:  
Jeanne Ann Dietrich,  
Deceased.

No. 2024PR000091  
NOTICE TO HEIRS AND  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE  
Notice is given of the death of Jeanne Ann  
Dietrich, of Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters  
Testamentary were issued on February 26, 2024 to  
Ralph Wiegmann, 1889 East 365th Street, Quincy,  
Illinois 62305, 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  
Jeanne Ann Dietrich of the entry of the Order as set  
forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring  
Michael Dietrich as the only heir of Jeanne Ann  
Dietrich.

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,  
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.

Joseph B. Roesch  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
Sarah Delano Pavlik - 6269250  
DELANO LAW OFFICES, LLC  
Attorneys for Executor  
One Southeast Old State Capitol Plaza  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
Telephone: 217-544-2703  
Fax: 217-544-4664  
sdcpavlik@delanolaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL

CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN PROBATE  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
LARRY E. ISOM, DECEASED  
NO. 2024-PR-000088  
CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Larry E. Isom. Letters  
of Office were issued on March 11, 2024, to Troy  
Isom, whose attorney is Nathan T. Levy, Sandberg  
Phoenix & von Gontard P.C., 475 Regency Park,  
Suite 310, O'Fallon, Illinois 62269.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office  
of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County  
Courthouse, 200 S. 9th St., Springfield, IL 62701,  
or with the representative, or both, by September 21,  
2024, which is six (6) months from the first date  
of publication of this Notice or, as to a creditor of  
Decedent whose name and post office address are  
known to or are reasonably ascertainable by the  
representative, the later of September 21, 2024,  
or three (3) months after the date of mailing or  
delivery of this Notice to such known claimant, and  
any claim not filed on or before said date 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.  
The estate will be administered without court  
supervision, unless under 755 ILCS 5/28-4 of  
the Probate Act any interested person terminates  
independent administration at any time by mailing  
or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk.  
This notice is published pursuant to 755 ILCS  
5/18-3.

TROY L. ISOM  
INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR  
THIS DOCUMENT PREPARED BY:  
Nathan T. Levy, #6342245  
Lorraine K. Cavataio, #6228987  
Sandberg Phoenix & von Gontard P.C.  
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O'Fallon, IL 62269  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN THE MATTER OF:  
DEMEION D. COLLINS,  
No. 2024 PR 111  
Deceased.

CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of DEMEION D. COL-  
LINS of Pleasant Plains, Sangamon County, Illinois.  
Letters of Administration were issued on March  
12, 2024, to COREY C. COLLINS, whose address is  
5637 Harrison Trace Drive Charlotte N.C. 28267,  
as Administrator, and whose attorney is JAMES R.  
ENLOW OF 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 re-  
presentative, 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 12th day of March 2024.  
James R. Enlow (#6198991)  
GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL  
Attorneys at Law  
1231 South Eighth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
Telephone: (217) 522.9010  
Facsimile: (217) 522.9020  
Email: jim@gwspc.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL  
CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF  
FRANCINE ELDER  
Deceased.  
Case No. 2024-PR-62  
NOTICE OF CLAIM DAY  
Notice is given of the death of FRANCINE  
ELDER, on January 24th 2024, and that Letters  
Testamentary were issued on March 6, 2024 to



KEVIN LEE ELDER, whose Attorney is CHESTER C. FULLER, 4541 N. Prospect Rd., Suite 101, Peoria Heights, IL 61616.

Claims may be filed on or before September 20, 2024, or six (6) months from the date of this first publication of this Notice of Claim Day, whichever is later, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, Springfield, Illinois, or with the Administrator, or both. Within ten (10) days after a claimant files its claim with the Court, the claimant must mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the representative AND to its attorney of record AND file with the Court proof of mailing or delivery of said copies.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2024

BY: /s/ Chester C. Fuller  
CHESTER C. FULLER, Attorney for Administrator  
Chester C. Fuller  
Attorney for Estate of: Francine Elder  
4541 N. Prospect Rd., Suite 101  
Peoria Heights, IL 61616  
Telephone: (309) 673-4090  
Facsimile: (309) 673-8236  
Email: fullerlaw@hotmail.com  
ARDC#: 0893862

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
DAVID HAROL PAONI, Deceased  
Case No. 2024-PR-00059

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of DAVID HAROL PAONI, Deceased.

Letters of Office were issued on March 06, 2024, to Marcia Spaith Paoni, 618 Magnolia Dr., Rochester, IL 62563, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Alex B. Rabin, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Representative, or both, on or before September 07, 2024, or six (6) months from the date the Representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. 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.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2024

Alex B. Rabin  
Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin, & Reinbold, LLP  
1119 S. Sixth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
217-789-1200

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
Estate of:  
STEPHEN LADAGE,  
Deceased.

NO. 2024-PR-112

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Stephen Ladage of Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on March 11, 2024 to Lynn Ladage, 16005 Lowder Road, Waverly, 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 Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701 or with the representative or both, on or before September 18, 2024, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2024.

Randall W. Segatto - 06193211  
Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP  
P.O. Box 79  
Springfield, IL 62705  
(217) 544-4868  
rsegatto@barberlaw.com

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

Estate of:  
GEORGE HENRY DAWSON,  
Deceased.

NO. 2024-PR-107

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of George Henry Dawson of Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on March 11, 2024 to Elizabeth Ann Havens, 4 Pajim Lane, Springfield, Illinois 62711, 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 Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701 or with the representative or both, on or before September 18, 2024, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2024.

Randall W. Segatto - 06193211  
Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP  
P.O. Box 79  
Springfield, IL 62705  
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rsegatto@barberlaw.com  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Estate of:  
CRAIG W. STEINHEIMER,  
Deceased.

NO. 2024-PR-144

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Craig W. Steinheimer of Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on March 11, 2024, to Steven Steinheimer, 10747 New Athens Darmstadt Rd., Lenzburg, Illinois 62255, 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 Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701 or with the representative or both, on or before September 18, 2024, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2024.

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

In the Matter of the Estate of  
SANDRA KAY GRANT, Deceased.

IN PROBATE

No. 2024-PR-100

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Sandra Kay Grant, deceased.

Letters of Office were issued on March 6, 2024, to Gail A. Capps, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Hugh F. Drake, Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000, Springfield, IL 62701. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 24th day of September, 2024, or three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. 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.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2024.

BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP

Hugh F. Drake  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

In the Matter of the Estate of:

Charles Ealey

Deceased.

No. 2024PR000089

NOTICE TO HEIRS AND

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given of the death of Charles Ealey, of 22 Dawson Circle, Unit A, Riverton, Illinois. Letters Testamentary were issued on February 26, 2024 to Zachary Suter, 102 East Oak St., Spaulding, Illinois, 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 Charles Ealey of the entry of the Order as set forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring Angela Ealey, Zachary Suter, and Charles Ealey as the only heirs of Charles Ealey.

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, 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.

Joseph B. Roesch  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
Sarah Delano Pavlik - 6269250  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

In the Matter of the Estate of:

Lawrence W. Maloney,

Deceased.

No. 2024PR000053

NOTICE TO HEIRS AND

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given of the death of Lawrence W. Maloney, of Buffalo, Illinois. Letters Testamentary were issued on March 4, 2024 to Sean P. Maloney, 3999 Old Leka Road, Buffalo, Illinois 62515, 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 Lawrence W. Maloney of the entry of the Order as set forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring Sandra F. Maloney and Sean P. Maloney as the only heirs of Lawrence W. Maloney.

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, 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.

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Clerk of the Circuit Court  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

BEVERLY R. HENDRIX,

Case No. 2024-PR-101

Deceased.

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN OF THE death of BEVERLY R. HENDRIX of 245 Prairie Grass Road, Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois, on December 23, 2023. Letters of Office were issued on the 7th day of March, A.D., 2024, to HEATHER LOWARY of 524 Gatlinburg Drive, Chatham, Illinois, STEPHANIE KURFMAN of 216 East Jefferson Street, Auburn, Illinois and ALICIA HENDRIX of 309 Peachtree Road, Charlotte, North Carolina, as Independent Co-Executors, whose attorney of record is SCOTT & SCOTT, P.C., 611 East Monroe Street, Suite 200, Springfield, Illinois, 62701.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62701, or with the representatives, 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 representatives and to the Attorney at the above addresses within ten (10) days after the claim has been filed.

DATED this 7th day of March, A.D., 2024.

Respectfully submitted,  
Estate of BEVERLY R. HENDRIX, Deceased,

BY:/s/ Pamela E. Hart

Pamela E. Hart, one of its Attorneys

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

ESTATE OF

PATRICIA C. KLEIN,

No. 2024-PR-37

Deceased.

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to creditors of the estate of the death of Patricia C. Klein. Letters of Office were issued to Linda J. Kowalenko, as Independent Administrator, whose address is 505 Old Tippecanoe Drive, Springfield, Illinois. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 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 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before September 15, 2024, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered such notice, whichever is later. 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 ten (10) days after it has been filed.

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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.

Dated: March 7, 2024.

Attorneys for Independent Executor:

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

ESTATE OF

KEVIN G. LAURENT,

Deceased.

No. 2024-PR-104

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to creditors of the estate of the death of Kevin G. Laurent. Letters of Office were issued to Robert E. Laurent, as Independent Executor, whose address is 15 Wind Fall Lane, Cantrall, Illinois 62625. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 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 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before September 15, 2024, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered such notice, whichever is later. 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 ten (10) days after it has been filed.

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Dated March 7, 2024.

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

ESTATE OF

BENJAMIN K. MILLER,

No. 2024-PR-95

Deceased.

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to creditors of the estate of the death of Benjamin K. Miller. Letters of Office were issued to Jennifer A. Johnson and Karen Hasara, as Independent Co-Executors, whose addresses are 808 Wood Pointe Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62702 and 22 Glen Eagle Drive, Springfield, Illinois. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 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 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before September 15, 2024, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is

required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered such notice, whichever is later. 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 ten (10) days after it has been filed.

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Dated: March 7, 2024.

Attorneys for Independent Executor:

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

In the Matter of the Estate of

EDWARD A. BROOKS, Deceased,

IN PROBATE

No. 2024-PR-105

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of

EDWARD A. BROOKS, deceased.

Letters of Office were issued on March 5, 2024, to TODD BROOKS, 22 Witherbee Place, The Woodlands, TX 77375, and JEAN BROOKS HERZBERG, 1804 Athens Court, Waunakee, WI 53597-2300, Co-Executors, whose attorney is Robert A. Stuart, Jr., Brown, Hay & Stephens, 205 S. 5th Street, Ste. 1000, Springfield, IL 62701.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before September 20, 2024, or three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred.

Dated this 7th day of March, 2024.

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COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ESTATE OF

KIMBERLY JEAN BRANDIS,

DECEASED

No. 2024 PR 103

CLAIMS NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Kimberly Jean Brandis. Notice is given to all heirs and creditors that Letters Testamentary were issued on March 6, 2024, to Yvonne Colin Brandis, c/o Timothy Gibbs, 521 East Monroe Street, Springfield, Illinois, as Executor of the Estate.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62704, or with the Executor, or both, within 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 Executor and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 6th day of March, 2024.

Timothy Gibbs

Attorney for The Estate of Kimberly Jean Brandis

521 East Monroe Street

Springfield, Illinois 62701

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT



SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
In the Matter of the Estate of IN PROBATE  
BETTY JEAN DAWKINS, Deceased.

IN PROBATE  
No. 2024-PR-000097  
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Betty Jean Dawkins, Deceased.  
Letters of Office were issued on March 4, 2024, to Joseph C. Dawkins, Jr. and Susan D. Russel, as Independent Executors, whose attorney is Harvey M. Stephens, Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000, Springfield, IL 62701.  
Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 15th day of September, 2024, or three months from the date the Representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. 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. Dated this 5th day of March, 2024.  
BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP  
Harvey M. Stephens  
Registration No. 6198845  
205 S. Fifth Street, Suite 1000  
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Springfield, IL 62705-2459  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
CHARLES H. GILL, Deceased  
NO. 2024-PR-079  
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of CHARLES H. GILL, Deceased.  
Letters of Office were issued on February 29, 2024, to Charles Gill, II, 90 Downing Drive., Chatham, IL 62629, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Alex B. Rabin, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Representative, or both, on or before August 30, 2024, or six (6) months from the date the Representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. 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. Dated this 5th day of March, 2024.  
Alex B. Rabin  
Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin, & Reinbold, LLP  
1119 S. Sixth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
217-789-1200

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
In the Matter of the Estate of  
EUGENE R. WILKINSON, Deceased.  
IN PROBATE  
No. 2024-PR-96  
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Eugene R. Wilkinson, deceased.  
Letters of Office were issued on March 4, 2024, to Dennis Gene Wilkinson as Executor Under Independent Administration, whose attorneys are Harvey B. Stephens and Brandon R. Clark, Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000, Springfield, IL 62701. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 11th day of September, 2024, or three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. 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.

Dated this 4th day of March, 2024.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
MORTON COMMUNITY BANK,  
Plaintiff,  
Vs.  
RYAN CARLS, et al.  
Defendants.  
Re: Estate of Janet M. Hanselman,  
Deceased.  
No. 2024-FC-0003  
NOTICE  
TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF JANET M. HANSELMAN:  
Notice is given of the death of Janet M. Hanselman. The Court has appointed Dan E. Way as Special Representative for Janet M. Hanselman, deceased, in the above-entitled cause seeking a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale on property located at 2322 S. 9th St., Springfield, IL 62702. The address of the Special Representative is Way Law Offices, LLC, 1100 S. Fifth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. You may direct any questions you have to him, or you may retain counsel of your own choosing, or represent yourself, or do nothing. 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 [e-file.illinoiscourts.gov/](http://e-file.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 [www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp](http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp).  
/s/ Dan E. Way, Special Representative for Janet M. Hanselman, deceased  
Dan E. Way, #6204735  
WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
JOANN SCHMIDT, Deceased  
NO. 2024PRO00081  
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of JoAnn Schmidt, Deceased.  
Letters of Office were issued on February 27, 2024 to Eric H. Schmidt, 130 S. Douglas, Springfield, IL 62704, and Andrea Reiff, 5909 S. Cantrall Creek Road, Cantrall, IL 62625, as Co-Executors, whose attorney is Gregory P. Sgro, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Representative, or both, on or before the 6th day of September, 2024, or three months from the date the Representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. 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. Dated this 29th day of February, 2024.  
Gregory P. Sgro  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
Estate of:  
ROBERT JOSEPH HOGAN,  
Deceased.  
NO. 2024-PR-92  
CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of Robert Joseph Hogan of Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on February 28, 2024, to Kristi J. Hillyer, 92 Island Bay Lane, Springfield, Illinois 62712, 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 Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701 or with the representative or both, on or before September 4, 2024, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated this 29th day of February, 2024.  
Matthew J. Cate - 06272040  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
In re the Estate of  
EUNICE M. DAVIDSON  
Deceased.  
Case No. 2024-PR-74  
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of Eunice M. Davidson. Letters of office have been issued to Sally K. Craven, 504 W. Wisconsin Ave., Grandsburg, WI 54840, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is R. Phillip Reed, Attorney at Law, 2616 Hazelnut Drive., Springfield, IL 62702. 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 September 9, 2024, 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.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS  
SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
IN PROBATE  
In the Matter of the Estate of  
MICHAEL L. BRANDON,  
Deceased.  
No. 2023PR455  
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION – CLAIMS  
Notice is given of the death of MICHAEL L. BRANDON of Springfield, Illinois. LETTERS OF OFFICE were issued on the 27th day of February 2024, to DIRK RICHARDSON, 4440 Morgan Territory Rd., C7, Clayton, CA 94517, whose attorney of record is Angelica W. Wawrzyniek, Constant, Wawrzyniek & Grove LLC, 1400 Charleston Ave., Ste. 200, P.O. Box 1425, Mattoon, Illinois 61938. The Estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under Section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act (75 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 Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. 9th St., Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 9th day of September 2024, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.  
DATED this 7th day of March 2024.  
DIRK RICHARDSON,  
Independent Administrator,  
By: /s/ Angelica W. Wawrzyniek  
Angelica W. Wawrzyniek ARDC #6299647  
Constant, Wawrzyniek & Grove LLC  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
PROBATE DIVISION  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
WILLIAM E. VOGT, DECEASED  
Case #2024-PR-93  
DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of WILLIAM E. VOGT. Letters of Office have been issued to MARY L. STAKE, 31225 N. 118th Avenue, Peoria, AZ 85383, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Sheehan & Sheehan, Lawyers, P.C., 1215 South 4th Street, Springfield, IL 62703.  
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, Room 405, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Independent Administrator, or both, on or before September 13, 2024, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Independent Administrator and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated this 28th day of February, 2024.  
William P. Sheehan  
SHEEHAN & SHEEHAN, LAWYERS, P.C.  
1215 South 4th Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
(217)544-0701

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
MARY ANN LAUB, Deceased  
NO. 2024-PR-090  
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of DEBORAH A. JONES, Deceased.  
Letters of Office were issued on February 28, 2024, to Amanda Hauer, 2125 E. Grandview Ave., Springfield, IL 62712, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Alex B. Rabin, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Representative, or both, on or before August 29, 2024 or six (6) months from the date the Representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. 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. Dated this 28th day of February, 2024.  
Alex B. Rabin  
Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin, & Reinbold, LLP  
1119 S. Sixth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
217-789-1200

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
MARTHA JANE LINK, Deceased  
NO. 2024-PR-085  
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of MARTHA JANE LINK, Deceased.  
Letters of Office were issued on February 28, 2024, to Ashley N. Elder, 261 McNeil St, Carterville, IL 62918, and John W. Elder, 411 N. Adams St., West Frankfort, IL 62896, as Independent Co-Administrators, whose attorney is Alex B. Rabin, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Representative, or both, on or before August 29, 2024, or six (6) months from the date the Representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. 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.  
DATED this 28th day of February, 2024.  
Alex B. Rabin  
Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin, & Reinbold, LLP  
1119 S. Sixth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
217-789-1200

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
PROBATE DIVISION  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
RICHARD W. HANSELMAN, DECEASED  
Case #2024-PR-75  
DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of RICHARD W. HANSELMAN. Letters of Office have been issued to CHRISTA L. HANSELMAN as Independent Executor, whose attorney is David R. Reid, P.O. Box 9680, Springfield, IL 62791. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, Room 405, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before August 31, 2024, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Independent Executor and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated this 29th day of February, 2024.  
David R. Reid  
Reid Law Office, LLC  
P.O. Box 9681  
Springfield, IL 62791  
(217) 415-4310

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
ESTATE OF  
MARY E. WEDGE,  
Deceased.  
Case No. 2024 PR 72  
CLAIM NOTICE  
NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of MARY E. WEDGE. Letters of Office were issued on February 27, 2024, to KIMBERLY JEWELL CRAGGS, c/o her attorney, JAMES R. ENLOW, of Gates Wise Schlosser & Goebel 1231 S. 8th St. Springfield, Illinois 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th St. 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 27th day of February 2024.  
James R. Enlow (#6199891)  
GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL  
Attorneys at Law  
1231 South Eighth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703

Telephone: (217) 522-9010  
Facsimile: (217) 522-9020  
Email: [jim@gwspc.com](mailto:jim@gwspc.com)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
In the matter of the estate of:  
Mary F. Freeman, Deceased  
Case No. 2023-PR-467  
Claim Notice  
Notice is given of the death of Mary F. Freeman. Letters of Office were issued on Feb. 20, 2024 to Deborah Freeman as Executor, 3312 S. Park Ave., Springfield IL 62704. 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, or with the Executor, on or before, Sept. 7, 2024. 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 Representative within 10 days after it has been filed.  
Joseph B. Roesch  
Clerk of the Circuit Court

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
In the Matter of the Estate of  
R. P. ARMSTRONG, Deceased.  
IN PROBATE  
NO. 2024PRO00057  
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of R. P. ARMSTRONG, deceased.  
Letters of Office were issued on February 21, 2024, to FRANCES A. ARMSTRONG, Administrator, 1725 Lamont St N.W. Washington, D.C. 20010-2601, whose attorney is ROBERT A. STUART, JR., Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 S. 5th Street, Ste. 1000, Springfield, Illinois 62701. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before September 5, 2024, or three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Dated this 22nd day of February, 2024.  
Robert A. Stuart, Jr.  
Registration No. 2761122  
Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP  
205 S. 5th Street, Ste. 1000  
Springfield, IL 62701  
(217) 544-8491  
[rstuart@bhsllaw.com](mailto:rstuart@bhsllaw.com)

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
Re: the marriage of  
Samantha Jo Ford, Petitioner  
And  
Michael Keith Ford, Respondent  
Case No. 2023 DC 359  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Notice is given you, Michael Keith Ford, 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 14th day of April, 2024, a judgment of dissolution of marriage and other relief may be granted as prayed for in the Petition.  
Joseph B. Roesch  
Circuit Clerk

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
In the matter of the Petition of  
David Anthony Oliver  
For change of name to  
Davine Oliver  
Case No. 2024MR000095



#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 7, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from David Anthony Oliver to Davine Oliver pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 21, 2024

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

In the matter of the Petition of Adele Rain Morrow  
For change of name to  
Adele Rain Ushman  
Case No. 2024MR000099

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 7, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Adele Rain Morrow to Adele Rain Ushman pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 21, 2024

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

In the matter of the Petition of Jessica Louise Meredith  
For change of name to  
Jessica Louise Reynolds  
Case No. 2024MR000098

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 7, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Jessica Louise Meredith to Jessica Louise Reynolds pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 14, 2024

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

In the matter of the Petition of Jyaire Shaquill Jones  
For change of name to  
Jyaire Rae Williams  
Case No. 2023MR000331

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 7, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Jyaire Shaquill Jones to Jyaire Rae Williams pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 14, 2024

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

In the matter of the Petition of Jamari Rae Jones  
For change of name to  
Jamari Rae Williams  
Case No. 2023MR000330

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 7, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Jamari Rae Jones to Jamari Rae Williams pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 14, 2024

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

In the matter of the Petition of Cameron Michael Lee Shafer  
For change of name to  
Cameron James Lahey  
Case No. 2024MR000081

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 7, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Cameron Michael Lee Shafer to Cameron James Lahey pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 7, 2024

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

In the matter of the Petition of Landon Alan Lee Robinson  
For change of name to  
Landon Alan Lee Fitch  
Case No. 2024MR000084

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 7, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Landon Alan Lee Robinson to Landon Alan Lee Fitch pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 7, 2024

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

In the matter of the Petition of Stephanie Isabel Williams  
For change of name to  
Stephanie Isabel Shay-Williams  
Case No. 2024MR97

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on April 9, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Stephanie Isabel Williams to Stephanie Isabel Shay-Williams pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 7, 2024

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

In the matter of the Petition of Cameron Turner VanMetre  
For change of name to  
Cameron Turner Powers  
Case No. 2024MR000070

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on April 23, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Cameron Turner VanMetre to Cameron Turner Powers pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 7, 2024

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

In the matter of the Petition of LaNae Desiree Donald  
For change of name to  
LaNae Desiree Hayes and  
Legend Draco Donald  
Case No. 2024-MR-000096

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on April 23, 2024 we will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from LaNae Desiree Donald to LaNae Desiree Hayes and from Legend Draco Donald to Legend Draco Hayes pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 7, 2024

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

In the matter of the Petition of Janell Ahnaji Michelle Hemingway  
For change of name to  
Ahnaji Danyla Lachelle Taylor  
Case No. 2023MR000156

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on April 23, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Janell Ahnaji Michelle Hemingway to Ahnaji Danyla Lachelle Taylor pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 7, 2024

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

In the matter of the Petition of

#### Mary Therese Ade

For change of name to  
Mary Therese Adenhamm  
Case No. 2024MR000091

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on April 23, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Mary Therese Ade to Mary Therese Adenhamm pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: March 7, 2024

### Foreclosure

#### NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF ILLINOIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD,  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO TOWN & COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF PAUL H. GERDING, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF PAUL H. GERDING, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF PAUL H. GERDING, DECEASED, JASON P. GERDING, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE PAUL H. GERDING REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST DATED APRIL 10, 2008, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF PEGGY GERDING, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF PEGGY GERDING, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF PEGGY GERDING, DECEASED, JASON P. GERDING, STATE OF ILLINOIS -DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, RYAN A. GERDING, THEODORE HARVATIN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF PAUL H. GERDING, DECEASED AND THEODORE HARVATIN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF PEGGY GERDING, DECEASED, Defendants.

CASE NO. 23-FC-131

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

1607 E KEYS AVE

SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on March 6, 2024, the following described real estate, to-wit:  
The following described property located in the COUNTY OF SANGAMON.  
LOT SIXTY-SEVEN (67) OF SPAULDING'S ILLINOIS WATCH FACTORY ADDITION, SITUATED IN THE MIDDLE PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN.  
EXCEPT ALL COAL, MINERALS AND MINING RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OF RECORD.  
Permanent Index Number: 14-23-0-310-014 a/k/a 14-23-310-014  
Commonly known as: 1607 E Keys Ave, Springfield, IL 62702

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on April 16, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the Auditorium on the 2nd Floor, 300 South 9th St, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$50,819.08.

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate 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/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court.

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

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719  
The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5 (g-1).  
If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. 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.

Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO TOWN & COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.,  
Plaintiff,  
Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549), Its Attorney  
Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC  
Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549)  
HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC  
Attorneys at Law  
P.O. Box 740  
Decatur, IL 62525  
Send Notice/Pleadings to:  
Veronika J. Miles (#6313161)  
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8051-940513

#### NOTICE OF SALE

#### STATE OF ILLINOIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SS SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
COUNTY OF SANGAMON  
SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
CITIMORTGAGE, INC.,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF WALTER LEE HARBAUER, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF WALTER LEE HARBAUER, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF WALTER LEE HARBAUER, DECEASED, JO DEAN WHITNALL AKA JODEAN M TRONE AND THEODORE HARVATIN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF WALTER LEE HARBAUER, DECEASED, Defendants.  
CASE NO. 23-FC-195  
PROPERTY ADDRESS:

#### 39 WINDSOR RD

#### SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on March 6, 2024, the following described real estate, to-wit:  
LOT 21 OF MORNINGSIDE PLACE, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY.  
Permanent Index Number: 14-29-0-105-013 aka 14-29-0-105-013  
Commonly known as: 39 Windsor Rd, Springfield, IL 62702

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on April 16, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the Auditorium on the 2nd Floor, 300 South 9th St, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$71,393.66.

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate 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/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court.

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

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719  
The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5 (g-1).  
If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. 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.

Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. CITIMORTGAGE, INC.,  
Plaintiff,  
Dated By

#### Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549), Its Attorney

Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC  
Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549)  
HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC  
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8051-940512

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

HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY,  
successor by merger with TOWN AND COUNTRY BANK,  
Plaintiff,

v.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF FRANK VINING, Deceased; JAMES RICHARD FORD; STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; "UNKNOWN OWNERS" and "NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS," Defendants.

No. 2024FC000040

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

1427 S. 4th Street

Springfield, Illinois 62703

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF FRANK VINING, Deceased; JAMES RICHARD FORD; STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; "UNKNOWN OWNERS" and "NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS," Defendants in the above-entitled suit, that said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois, by Plaintiff, HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, successor by merger with TOWN AND COUNTRY BANK, against you and other defendants praying for foreclosure of a Mortgage covering the premises described as follows to wit:

THE NORTH 30 FEET OF THE SOUTH 60 FEET OF THE EAST 162 FEET OF LOT 4 IN BLOCK 7 OF GEORGE CARPENTER'S SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN.  
EXCEPT ALL COAL, OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND MINING RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OF RECORD.

Common Address: 1427 S. 4th Street  
Springfield, Illinois 62703  
Permanent Index No: 22-04-230-017  
which Mortgage was made by Frank Vining, as Mortgagee, in favor of Town and Country Bank, predecessor to Heartland Bank and Trust Company, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois, on October 1, 2013, as Document No. 2013R32197. NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the above-named Defendants, file your answer to the Complaint in said suit, or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois, on or before April 15, 2024, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. Tina M. Jacobs, Esq. - ARDC 6190255  
Joy Pinta, Esq. - ARDC 6278250  
JACOBS & PINTA  
77 West Washington Street, Suite 1005  
Chicago, Illinois 60602  
(312) 263-1005  
officeadmin@jacobsandpinta.com  
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#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC  
PLAINTIFF,

-vs-

Unknown Heirs and/or Legatees of Russell W. Killen, Deceased; Jason Killen; Michael Killen; Rosemary Schnepf, as Special Representative of Russell W. Killen, Deceased; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN



OCCUPANTS  
DEFENDANTS NO. 22 FC 249  
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE  
Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on December 20, 2023;  
Jack L. Campbell, Sheriff, #1 Sheriff's Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701, will on April 9, 2024 at 9:00 AM, at Sangamon County Building, Sangamon County Board Room, 2nd Floor, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, sell to the highest bidder for ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours, the following described premises situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.  
Said sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court. Said property is legally described as follows: THE WEST 40 FEET OF THE EAST 84 FEET OF THE NORTH 80 FEET OF THE SOUTH 426 FEET OF LOT 9 IN BLOCK 1 OF EASTMAN BLACK & KEY'S SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
Commonly known as 516 East Ridgely Avenue, Springfield, IL 62702  
Permanent Index No.: 14-22.0-326-006  
Improvements: Single Family Residential  
The property will NOT be open for inspection prior to the sale and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property.  
The judgment amount was \$63,109.87. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this 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 Bid Amount contact:  
Sale Clerk  
LOGS Legal Group LLP  
2121 Waukegan Road, Suite 301  
Bannockburn, IL 60015  
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Laura J. Anderson (6224385)  
Mallory Snyderman (6306039)  
Thomas Belczak (6193705)  
Debra Miller (6205477)  
Amy Aronson (6206512)  
THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IF YOUR PERSONAL LIABILITY FOR THIS DEBT HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED BY A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY OR BY AN ORDER GRANTING IN REM RELIEF FROM STAY, THIS NOTICE IS PROVIDED SOLELY TO FORECLOSE THE MORTGAGE REMAINING ON YOUR PROPERTY AND IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT THE DISCHARGED PERSONAL OBLIGATION.  
8051-940239

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS

INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE OF MEB LOAN TRUST II, PLAINTIFF, VS.  
MELINDA R. JORDAN A/K/A MELINDA JORDAN; MIDLAND FUNDING LLC; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS.  
NO. 2022FC000182  
2400 SOUTH 6TH STREET SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703  
NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE  
UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on January 10, 2024, Sheriff of Sangamon County will on April 23, 2024, in the Sangamon South Auditorium #1 Copley Plaza (Old SJR Building) 1st Floor, Springfield, IL 62701, at 9:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:  
LOT 965 HARVARD PARK SECOND PLAT EXCEPT ALL COAL, MINERALS AND MINING RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED OF RECORD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
TAX NO. 22-03.0-356-001  
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 2400 South 6th Street Springfield, IL 62703  
Description of Improvements: The property is a single family home.  
The Judgment amount was \$18,195.77.  
Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.  
The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.  
Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.  
The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.  
The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.  
If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).  
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.  
For Information: Visit our website at <http://iforeclosuresales.mrpilc.com>.  
Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 21-07957IL  
PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.  
Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.  
I3237087

To enforce Self Storage Lien in default of payment of rent a private auction will be held on Saturday April 13, 2024, at 9:00a.m.  
Northend Storage is located at 1907 North Grand East, Springfield, IL 62702  
This is a private auction. In order to attend you must call 217-544-4521 a week prior to the auction date.

Please leave your name, telephone number and an email address.  
Cash is the only form of payment accepted for the auction.  
Any individual wanting to retain their unit will need to pay their entire balance on or before April 5, 2024.  
No personal checks will be accepted for storage units that are in lien.  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION STORAGE UNIT AUCTION  
Shayla Shanklin Unit #B-7  
Jane Richard Unit #7-21  
Frank Sheehan Unit #9-3  
Toni Ushman Unit #11-8  
Lanita Simmons Unit #2-34  
Terry Broida Unit #3-13  
Gabrielle Hamby Unit #4-34  
Ashley Goins Unit #7-21  
Ashley Midden Unit #9-11  
Edward J. Thomas Unit #9-25  
Bertha Bostic Unit #G-3  
Natalasha Canty Unit #H-15  
Rebecca Barber Unit #J-11  
Angela Kruse Unit #J-32

CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN THE MATTER OF NOAH COOLEY-FOX, MINOR CHILD  
No. 2024-GR-26  
To: Octavius Fox & Unknown fathers at addresses unknown: Please be notified that Sharetta Cooley has filed a Petition for Guardianship of Noah Cooley-Fox, minor child. You are required to answer said Petition By April 22, 2024 or be defaulted by the Court thereafter.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
ESTATE OF WILSON GREGORY PARK, Deceased.  
No. 2024PR106  
CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of Wilson Gregory Park, who died on December 23, 2023. Kathleen Marie Park, whose address is 200 East Main Street, Rochester, Illinois 62563, was appointed Executor of his estate on March 7, 2024. The attorneys for the Executor are Hart, Southworth & Witsman, One North Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 501, Springfield, Illinois 62701.  
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the executor, or both, within 6 months from the date of publication, or 3 months from the date of mailing or delivery, of this notice, whichever is later. Any claim not filed before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the executor and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.  
Dated this 8th day of March, 2024.  
Timothy J. Rigby (ARDC #6225930)  
Alexander S. Prillaman (ARDC #6339535)  
Hart, Southworth & Witsman  
One North Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 501  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
Telephone: (217) 753-0055  
trigby@hswnet.com  
apillaman@hswnet.com  
8051-940482

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will hold an organizational meeting on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, for the purpose of election of officers, as established in Article III, By-Laws of the Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission. The Meeting will be held at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West.  
Docket No. 2024-014  
John Harris  
Deputy Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition to reclassify property from S-2 Community Shopping and Office District, Section 155.031, to R-3 (b), General Residence District, Section 155.018, and a Conditional Permitted Use pursuant to 155.058 Maximum Building Heights, and a variance of Section 155.056, Minimum Required Lot Area Per Dwelling Unit, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Petitioner Naveed is the contract purchaser of the Property, and upon closing of the contract between the other parties and Naveed, Petitioner Naveed intends to construct a three story, 40 feet tall, 18 unit, multi-family residence on the Property. A proposed preliminary conceptual site plan is attached as Exhibit B. To be in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance, petitioners respectfully request reclassification of property from S-2 to R-3 (b); a variance of 155.056 to allow a minimum required lot area per dwelling unit to be 2,050 square feet of lot area instead of the required 2,500 square feet of lot area to allow for 18 Multi-family dwelling units instead of the 14 units allowed by code; and a Conditional Permitted Use pursuant to 155.058 to allow for a maximum building height of 40 feet instead of the required 35 feet height per code.

Improvements (or structures) located on said property are none, unimproved lots, containing 37,440 square feet of lot area. The subject property is currently classified as S-2 Community Shopping and Office District, Section 155.031.  
Legally described as: Parcel 1: THE NORTH 45 FEET OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 5 IN FRANK OSBURN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
14-28.0-178-013, 923 N Walnut Springfield, IL Parcel 2: THE SOUTH 35 FEET OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 5 IN FRANK OSBURN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
14-28.0-178-014, 921 N Walnut Springfield, IL Parcel 3: THE NORTH 1/2 OF LOT 2 IN BLOCK 5 IN FRANK OSBURN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
14-28.0-178-015, 919 N Walnut Springfield, IL Parcel 4: THE SOUTH 1/2 OF LOT 2 IN BLOCK 5 IN FRANK OSBURN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
14-28.0-178-017, (Together with Parcel 4) 917 N Walnut Springfield, IL Parcel 5: THE NORTH 20 FEET OF LOT 3 IN BLOCK 5 IN FRANK OSBURN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
14-28.0-178-018, 913 N Walnut Springfield, IL EXCEPT ANY INTEREST IN THE COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING PARCELS 1-6 DESCRIBED ABOVE 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. ALL SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

The property is located at 913, 917, 919, 921 & 923 N. Walnut Street, Springfield Illinois.  
The petitioners are North Walnut LLC, By Nicholas Cagnoni, Cagnoni Development LLC, By Nicholas Cagnoni, Marilyn Cagnoni, and Nick Cagnoni, as owners, and Muhammad Ali Naveed, as contract purchaser, By Attorneys Delano Law Offices, LLC, Thomas C. Pavlik Jr, of Counsel  
Docket No. 2024-013  
John Harris  
Deputy Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.  
A petition for variation of Section 155.001, regarding accessory buildings, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Petitioners desire to construct an unattached 20' x 27' pool house off of the northeast corner of the existing home to include a storage room (12' 6" x 13'), bathroom /wet bar (7' 6" x 13'), and a covered patio (14' x 20'). To be in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance, petitioners respectfully request to vary section 155.001, Definitions, pertaining to Accessory Buildings, to allow the unattached building (pool house) to have

a bathroom / wet bar.  
Improvements (or Structures) located on said property is a framed brick and siding building consisting of one dwelling unit and an attached garage. The subject real estate is currently classified in the R-1, Single Family Residence District, Section 155.016.  
Legally described as: Lot 48 Sloan Crossing 1st Addition. Parcel number 13-35.0-376-009  
The subject property is commonly known as 716 Sloan Drive, Springfield, Illinois.  
The petitioners are Alison & Zachary Rinaberger.  
Docket No. 2024-012  
John Harris  
Deputy Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.  
A petition to reclassify property from R-1, Single Family Residence District, Section 155.016, and B-1, Highway Business Service District, Section 155.033, to B-2, General Business Service District, Section 155.034, and a variance of Sections: 155.034, General Business Service District, to permit an I-1 Light Industrial Use in the B-2 Zoning District, and 155.112, Surfacing, 155.061 Basic Yard Requirements, 155.063, Required Yards for Lots Adjoining Residential Districts, and 155.480, Landscape, Screening and Lighting Regulations, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance.  
Subject Real Estate is located in various zoning districts, including R-1 (Single-Family Residence District) (Parcel 4 and a portion of Parcel 3), B-1 (Highway Business Service District) (Parcels 1, 2, and 6), and B-2 (General Business Service District) (Parcels 5, 7, 8, 9, and a portion of Parcel 3). The Subject Real Estate presently contains a machinery sales, rental, repair, storage, and testing facility that has been in operation on various portions of the Subject Real Estate for more than 60 years. Petitioner is also in the process of constructing a new building on the Subject Real Estate and remodeling various portions of the existing buildings to increase operational efficiencies and respond to customer needs. Exhibits C and D are site sketches demonstrating the present and conceptual intended uses on various portions of the Subject Real Estate. As shown on the sketches, the new building and realignment of paved areas necessitates the relocation of machinery storage. One of the improvements will be a new fence to enclose various portions of the Subject Real Estate that are currently accessible by trespassers. Parcels 4, 6, 7, 8, and 9 are open areas where machinery testing takes place. Fencing in the open area as shown on Exhibit D will prohibit the public from accessing the potentially dangerous testing areas, and enclose the areas where machinery will be located after the site improvements are complete. Relief requested will create a consistent zoning classification for the entirety of the property and codify the uses and non-conformances on the Subject Real Estate upon completion of the re-zoning to ensure the continued viability of the Subject Real Estate in conjunction with ongoing operations and expansions. The activities on, and use of, the Subject Real Estate will continue as they have for more than 60 years. Petitioner respectfully requests Reclassification of that portion of the Subject Real Estate that is not already located in the B-2 (General Business Service District) zoning district (Parcels 1, 2, a portion of 3, 4, and 6) to the B-2 (General Business Service District) zoning district; a variance of Section 155.034 (General Business Service District) of the Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable Zoning Ordinance Sections so as to permit a use variance authorizing the I-1 (light Industrial District) use of road building, farm implement, and machinery or similar type equipment sales, rental service, repair, and storage yards, with no limitation on lot area per establishment on the Subject Real Estate; a variance of Section 155.112 (Surfacing) with respect to drainage systems and surfacing of parking and vehicle storage areas to allow the parking and vehicle storage areas on the Subject Real Estate to utilize a rocked or asphalt millings surface in lieu of the requirements set forth in Section 155.112; a variance of Sections 155.061 (Basic Yard Requirements) and 155.063 (Required

Yards for Lots Adjoining Residential District) to permit the continued storage of machinery and location of buildings on the Subject Real Estate as presently located along the South and East property lines, and the continuation of the existing fence line located on the East side of Parcel 5 of the Subject Real Estate to the North on the remainder of Parcel 5 and on Parcel 4 to the Elm Street fence line that will be installed by Petitioner, in lieu of the requirements set forth in Sections 155.061 and 155.063; a variance of Section 155.480 (Landscape, Screening, and Lighting Regulations) to permit the new fencing and other improvements to the Subject Real Estate as described in the petition without complying with the Section 155.480 lighting, landscaping, and transitional buffer yard requirements and maintain current fence lines along the South and East portions of the Subject Real Estate; and for such other and further relief necessary for the purposes stated in the petition. Improvements (or structures) located on said property are buildings in support of Roland Machinery Company, a machinery sales, rental, repair, storage and testing facility. The subject property is currently classified as R-1, Single-Family Residence District, Section 155.016 for (Parcel 4 and a portion of Parcel 3); B-1, Highway Business Service District for (Parcels 1, 2, and 6); and B-2, General Business Service District, Section 155.034 for (Parcels 5, 7, 8, 9, and a portion of Parcel 3).  
Legally described as: Parcel 1: ALL THAT PART OF THE SOUTH TWO HUNDRED FIFTY (250) FEET OF LOT EIGHTYFIVE (85) IN WANLESS CAPITAL HEIGHTS ADDITION TO SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, AS PLATTED BY THE PLAT RECORDED IN BOOK 4 OF PLATS AT PAGE 32, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS OF SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, WHICH LIES EAST OF THE LAND DEDICATED TO PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF A PUBLIC HIGHWAY, WHICH DEDICATION WAS DATED DECEMBER 14, 1936 AND WAS RECORDED ON AUGUST 25, 1937 IN BOOK 282 OF DEEDS AT PAGE 242 IN THE OFFICE OF SAID RECORDER OF DEEDS.  
SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF SANGAMON AND STATE OF ILLINOIS. Permanent Index Number: 14-25.0-252-032 Common Address: 816 North Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62702; Parcel 2: THAT PART OF LOT 85 OF WANLESS CAPITAL HEIGHTS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS EXCEPT THE SOUTH 250 FEET THEREOF AND EXCEPT THAT PART THEREOF LYING WITHIN THE RESUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 245 FEET OF THAT PART OF LOT 85 LYING EAST OF DIRKSEN PARKWAY. SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF SANGAMON AND STATE OF ILLINOIS. Permanent Index Number: 14-25.0-252-033 Common Address: 816 North Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62702; Parcel 3: ALL OF LOT 84 OF WANLESS CAPITAL HEIGHTS ADDITION, EXCEPT THE EAST 100 FEET THEREOF; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF SANGAMON AND STATE OF ILLINOIS. ALSO EXCEPT THE WEST 50 FEET OF THE NORTH 245 FEET ALSO EXCEPT THE WEST SEVENTY-ONE (71) FEET OF THE EAST ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE (171) FEET OF LOT EIGHTY-FOUR (84) OF WANLESS CAPITAL HEIGHTS ADDITION TO SPRINGFIELD; EXCEPTING AND RESERVING ALL COAL AND MINERALS UNDERLYING SAID LOT, AND SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD, IF ANY, AND EXCEPT THE EAST ONE ACRE OF THE WEST 217 FEET OF LOT 84 OF WANLESS CAPITAL HEIGHTS ADDITION TO SPRINGFIELD. SAME BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS THE EAST 76.35 FEET OF THE WEST 217 FEET OF SAID LOT 84. Permanent Index Number: 14-25.0-252-036 Common Address: 816 North Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62702; Parcel 4: THE WEST 238.46 FEET OF THE EAST 338.46 FEET OF NORTH 150 FEET OF LOT 84 OF WANLESS CAPITAL HEIGHTS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Index Number: 14-25.0-252-026 Common Address: 3140 E. Elm Street, Springfield, Illinois 62702; Parcel 5: THE WEST 147.6 FEET OF THE EAST 247.36 FEET OF SOUTH 420 FEET OF LOT 84 OF WANLESS CAPITAL HEIGHTS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Index Number: 14-25.0-252-027 Common Address: 816 North Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62702; Parcel 6: THE SOUTH 4.92



FEET OF THE NORTH 250 FEET OF LOT 85 OF WANLESS CAPITAL HEIGHTS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Index Number: 14-25.0-252-038 Common Address: 816 North Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62702; Parcel 7: LOT 2 OF THE RESUBDIVISION OF PART OF LOTS 84 AND 85 OF WANLESS CAPITAL HEIGHTS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Index Number: 14-25.0-252-039 Common Address: 842 North Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62702; Parcel 8: LOT 3 OF THE RESUBDIVISION OF PART OF LOTS 84 AND 85 OF WANLESS CAPITAL HEIGHTS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Index Number: 14-25.0-252-041 Common Address: 3116 E. Elm Street, Springfield, IL 62702

The property is located at Parcel 1 – 816 N Dirksen Parkway, Parcel 2 - 816 N. Dirksen Parkway, Parcel 3 - 816 N. Dirksen Parkway, Parcel 4 - 3140 E. Elm Street, Parcel 5 - 816 N. Dirksen Parkway, Parcel 6 - 816 N. Dirksen Parkway, Parcel 7 – 842 N. Dirksen Parkway, Parcel 8 - 3108 E. Elm Street, Parcel 9 - 3116 E. Elm Street, Springfield Illinois.

The petitioner is RR Family LLC, By its Attorneys Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, Daniel L. Hamilton of Counsel  
Docket No. 2024-011  
John Harris  
Deputy Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition to reclassify property from OFF, Office District, Section 155.020, to R-2, Single-family and Duplex Residence District, Section 155.017 and a variance of Section 155.068 (a) & (b), Garages Accessory Buildings of Structures, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Petitioner intends to improve the subject property with a duplex townhome with the common wall straddling 1601 and 1605 South State Street. Petitioner's plans include the contribution of detached garages at the rear of the property, which garages will also have a common wall straddling the lot line. To be in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance, Petitioner respectfully requests a reclassification of 1605 S. State Street from OFF, Office District, to R-2, Single family & Duplex Residence District, and a variance of 155.068 (a) & (b) related to 1601 & 1605 S. State Street to permit construction of a zero lot linedetached garage where along the south line of 1601 and the north line of 1605 there would be a zero foot side yard set back instead of the 3 feet required per code.

Improvements (or structures) located on said property are none, unimproved lots. The subject property is currently classified as R-2, Single-family and Duplex Residence, Section 155.017 for 1601 S. State Street, and Off, Office District, Section 155.020, for 1605 S. State Street. Legally described as: 1605 S. State Street, Lot 19, Block 12 of Gehlman & Turner Subdivision PIN #22-04.0-110-009, AND 1601 S. State Street, Lot 20, Block 12 of Gehlman & Turner Subdivision PIN #22-04.0-110-008

The property is located at 1601 & 1605 S. State Street, Springfield Illinois.

The petitioner is CEHOG 1, LLC, By It's Attorneys Gates, Wise & Schlosser, P.C., Gordon W. Gates of Counsel.  
Docket No. 2024-010  
John Harris  
Deputy Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition to reclassify property from R-2, Single-

family and Duplex Residence District, Section 155.017 to R-3 (b), General Residence District, Section 155.018 and to vary Section 155.480 (j), Landscape, Screening and Lighting Regulations: Transitional Buffer Yard Requirement & Landscaping, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Subject property contains a duplex – two residential dwelling units. The petitioner desires to add a third dwelling unit to the basement of the existing structure, and to pave the necessary parking. The petitioner, to be in compliance with the zoning ordinance, respectfully requests for reclassification of subject property from R-2 to R-3 (b) to allow the use of 3 residential dwelling units; and a variance of Section 155.480 (j) to reduce the transitional buffer yard along the east property line from 10 feet to zero feet.

Improvements (or structures) located on said property is a brick building containing two dwelling units. The subject property is currently classified as R-2, Single-family and Duplex Residence, Section 155.017.

Legally described as: GEO. CARPENTERS SUB PT E 1/2 NE S 60' L 5 B 3 4-15-5, situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois. Tax ID# 22-04.0-234-008.

The property is located at 1530 S. 4th Street, Springfield Illinois.

The petitioner is Brick City LLC Series 4, by Seth Molen  
Docket No. 2024-009  
John Harris  
Deputy Zoning Administrator

Date of Sale: March 27, 2024 @ 1:00 P.M.  
Location: Westside Storage, 3142 South Douglas Avenue, Springfield, IL 62704.  
BLD N #122 5x10  
John Brownback  
74 Churchill Dr.  
Chatham, IL 62629  
BLD G #23 10x10  
Joe Commer  
2224 Bradley Ct. Apt D  
Springfield, IL 62703  
BLD A #87 10x10  
Laresa Crumb  
1609 S Lowell Ave.  
Springfield, IL 62704  
BLD KK #9 5x12  
Kurt Curry  
16 Concord Square #2  
Boston MA 02118  
BLD KK #7 5x12  
Brendan Durbin  
2921 Holmes Ave.  
Springfield, IL 62704  
BLD O #162 5x10  
Anne Elliott  
525 N Portage Pass  
Akron, OH 44303  
BLD C #47 5x10  
Logan Gowdy  
308 N Rose  
Auburn, IL 62615  
BLD C #50 5x10  
John Graves  
1318 Dial Court  
Springfield, IL 62704  
BLD KK #3 5x12  
Devin Hughes  
1020 N Wesley St  
Springfield IL 62702  
BLD B #73 5x10  
Marty Kretzer  
1536 E Moffatt Ave  
Springfield, IL 62702  
BLD B #63 5x10  
Derrick Lewis  
2414 Ladley Court #3  
Springfield, IL 62703  
BLD G #6 6x10  
Jordan Luttrell  
1505 West Vernon Ave.  
Springfield, IL 62704  
BLD B #62 5x10  
Reid Moody  
2727 S Glenwood Ave  
Springfield, IL 62704  
BLD A #172 10x10  
Martinez Patterson  
C/O Maurice Allen  
1825 Cardinal Drive #1

Chatham, IL 62629  
BLD W #10 5x10  
Amy Vaughn  
1301 S Whitter Ave Apt 2C  
Springfield, IL 62704

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Sale to enforce Self-Storage lien in default of payment of rent will be held at 10:00 AM. Saturday MARCH 30, 2024 at, Safe-T-Storage, 3825 N. Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL. Tenants must pay in full by this date.  
Unit 151 Graig Stanberry Springfield IL  
Unit 76 Jeris Fowler Springfield IL  
Unit 8 Loyd Munson Springfield IL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
WARREN-BOYNTON STATE BANK, an Illinois banking corporation,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
ACE OF SPADES MINING, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company, DEREK LEES, SUSAN LEES, SLAUTERHOUSE, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company, HOPPY MONKEY HOLDINGS LLC, an Illinois limited liability company, UNKNOWN OWNERS  
AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,  
Defendants.  
Case No. 2024FC000044  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS of the real estate described below, Defendants in the above-entitled case, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that the above-entitled mortgage foreclosure suit is now pending in said court and the day on or after which a default may be entered against Defendants is April 26, 2024.  
Plaintiff has certified the following regarding said foreclosure action filed on March 15, 2024.

- The names of all Plaintiffs and Case Number are as follows: Warren-Boynnton State Bank, an Illinois banking corporation; 2024FC000044.
- The court in which said action was brought is as follows: Circuit Court for the Seventh Judicial Circuit, Sangamon County, Illinois
- The name of the title holder of record is: Ace of Spades Mining, LLC
- A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:  
Count I of the Complaint:  
The East Half of Lot 1, in Block 24 of the Town, now City of Auburn, (said Block 24 of the Town of Auburn, formerly known as Block 15 Buck's Addition to the Town of New Auburn), being the East 82.50 feet more or less.  
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.  
Situating in Sangamon County, Illinois  
Count II of the Complaint:  
TRACT 1:  
THE WEST 20 FEET OF LOT 1 AND THAT PART OF LOT 2 WHICH IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT:  
BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 2 WHERE THE WEST LINE AND THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 2 INTERSECT; RUNNING THENCE EAST 20.3 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 2; THENCE SOUTH 2.1 FEET ON A STRAIGHT LINE TO A POINT; THENCE 20.3 FEET WEST ON A STRAIGHT LINE OF SAID LOT 2; THENCE NORTH ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 2, 1.2 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, ALL IN BLOCK 16 OF JOHN BUCK'S ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF NEW AUBURN, ALSO LOCATED IN WHAT IS KNOWN AS BLOCK 24 OF THE TOWN, NOW CITY, OF AUBURN, ACCORDING TO IRA MERCHANT'S RE-SURVEY.  
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.  
TRACT 2:  
PARCEL 1:  
PART OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 16 OF BUCK'S ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF NEW AUBURN, THE SAID BLOCK 16 BEING ALSO KNOWN AS BLOCK 24 OF THE TOWN, NOW CITY OF AUBURN, ACCORDING TO IRA MERCHANT'S RE-SURVEY, BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS:  
BEGINNING AT A POINT 20 FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 1, THENCE SOUTH 70 FEET; THENCE EAST 61 FEET; THENCE NORTH 70 FEET AND THENCE WEST 61 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, BEING ALSO DESCRIBED AS THE EAST 61 FEET OF THE WEST 81 FEET OF THE NORTH 70 FEET OF SAID LOT 1. 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 THE CITY OF AUBURN. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PARCEL 2:  
THAT PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 13 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, NOW IN AND A PART OF THE CITY OF AUBURN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 16 OF JOHN BUCK'S ADDITION TO NEW AUBURN, SAID BEGINNING POINT BEING IN THE SOUTH LINE OF MASON, NOW MADISON STREET; RUNNING THENCE SOUTH 209-1/4 FEET TO A POINT IN THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 3 IN SAID BLOCK 16 OF BUCK'S ADDITION; THENCE EAST 110 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF THE CHICAGO AND ALTON RAILROAD; THENCE NORTHWARDLY ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE CHICAGO AND ALTON RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY TO THE SOUTH LINE OF MASON, NOW MADISON STREET; THENCE WEST 167 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.  
EXCEPT A STRIP OFF OF THE EAST SIDE 10 FEET WIDE AT THE NORTH END AND RUNNING TO A POINT TO INTERSECT THE WEST LINE OF THE CHICAGO AND ALTON RAILROAD IN THE SOUTH END 208 FEET LONG.  
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.  
5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows:  
Count I of the Complaint:  
321 W. Madison Street, Auburn, Illinois  
Count II of the Complaint:  
315 W. Madison Street, Auburn, Illinois 62615  
323 W. Madison Street, Auburn, Illinois 62615  
327 W. Madison Street, Auburn, Illinois 62615  
6. The Tax Identification Numbers for the real estate are as follows:

Count I of the Complaint:  
34-10.0-260-003  
Count II of the Complaint:  
34-10.0-260-002  
34-10.0-260-006  
34-10.0-260-001

7. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:  
Count I of the Complaint:  
Name of Mortgagor: Ace of Spades Mining, LLC  
Name of Mortgagee: Warren-Boynnton State Bank  
Date of Mortgage: October 7, 2020  
Date of recording: October 13, 2020  
County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois  
Recording document identification: Document No. 2020R28596  
Count II of the Complaint:  
Name of Mortgagor: Ace of Spades Mining, LLC  
Name of Mortgagee: Warren-Boynnton State Bank  
Date of Mortgage: May 17, 2021  
Date of recording: May 20, 2021  
County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois  
Recording document identification: Document No. 2021R13731

/s/ Joseph B. Roesch  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
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NOTICE OF SALE  
STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD,  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
SECURITY BANK,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
THOMAS R. BURGESS, JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL, F. S. B., MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC. AND KIMBERLY LEVERING,  
Defendants.  
CASE NO. 22-FC-219  
PROPERTY ADDRESS:  
1968 E. CONVERSE ST.  
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702  
1812 N. 9TH ST.  
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702  
10729 DARNELL RD.  
DAWSON, IL 62520  
1816 & 1820 N. 9TH ST.  
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702  
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on August 30, 2023, the following described real estate, to-wit:  
1968 E. Converse St.  
LOT 149 AND THE WEST 10 FEET OF LOT 148 IN SPAULDING'S SECOND ILLINOIS WATCH FACTORY ADDITION, EXCEPTING ALL COAL AND MINERALS UNDERLYING SAID LOT OR LOTS WITH THE RIGHT TO MINE AND REMOVE SAME.  
1812 N. 9th St.  
(TRACT 1)

THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 2 IN BLOCK 5 OF CATHERINE WOOD'S SECOND SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. EXCEPTING THEREFROM: A PART OF THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 2 IN BLOCK 5 OF CATHERINE WOOD'S SECOND SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 2; THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 2; A DISTANCE OF 29.94 FEET; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 29 SECONDS EAST, 151.87 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT 2; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 01 MINUTE 28 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID LINE 29.96 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 2; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 57 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID LINE, 151.85 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.104 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. EXCEPT ALL COAL AND OTHER RIGHTS UNDERLYING SAID PREMISES.  
(TRACT 2)

THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 2 IN BLOCK 5 OF CATHERINE WOOD'S SECOND SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
ALL SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 10729 Darnell Rd.  
PARCEL 1:  
PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FURTHER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
COMMENCING AT AN IRON PIN MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST

QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 5; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, 979.91 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, 178.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 18 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 15 SECONDS EAST, 82.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 27 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 11 SECONDS EAST, 95.07 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 175.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 18 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 32 SECONDS EAST, 359.15 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 5; THENCE SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, 360.69 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 2.248 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AS SET FORTH ON THE PLAT OF SURVEY MADE BY PAUL D. NICKEL, LICENSED SURVEYOR, ATTACHED TO DEED RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NO. 94-02308.

PARCEL 2:  
PART OF THE FRACTIONAL NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID FRACTIONAL NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 09 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID FRACTIONAL NORTHEAST QUARTER, A DISTANCE OF 957.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING: THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 248.61 FEET; THENCE NORTH 21 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 28 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 174.01 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 804.15 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 323.30 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST HALF OF SAID FRACTIONAL NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST PARALLEL WITH SAID EAST LINE, A DISTANCE OF 660.00 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID FRACTIONAL NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 09 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 66.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID EAST LINE, A DISTANCE OF 551.33 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 09 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 66.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST PARALLEL WITH SAID EAST LINE, A DISTANCE OF 660.00 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID FRACTIONAL NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 19 DEGREES 06 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 359.15 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 09 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 175.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 27 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 59 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 95.07 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 18 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 38 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 82.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 52 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 178.00 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID FRACTIONAL NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 09 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE, A DISTANCE OF 22.95 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

ALL SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 1816 & 1820 N. 9th St.  
THE SOUTH 55 FEET OF LOT 3 IN BLOCK 5 OF CATHERINE WOOD'S SECOND SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN.  
EXCEPT ALL COAL AND OTHER MINERAL RIGHTS UNDERLYING THE SURFACE OF SAID PREMISES. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Index Number: 14-23.0-379-011 aka 14-23-379-011  
Permanent Index Number: 14-22.0-256-018 aka 14-22-256-018 aka 14-22-256-006 & 14-22-256-005  
Permanent Index Number: 24-05.0-200-011  
Permanent Index Number: 14-22.0-256-004  
Permanent Index Number: 14-22.0-256-016



Commonly known as: 1968 E. Converse St., Springfield, IL 62702  
 Commonly known as: 1812 N. 9th St., Springfield, IL 62702  
 Commonly known as: 10729 Darnell Rd., Dawson, IL 62520  
 Commonly known as: 1816 & 1820 N. 9th St., Springfield, IL 62702  
 will be offered for sale and sold at public venue on April 16, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the Auditorium on the 2nd Floor, 300 South 9th St, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$331,822.49.  
 The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate 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 or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. 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 property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719

The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. The outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5 (g-1).

If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. 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.

Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

SECURITY BANK, Plaintiff,  
 Dated March 21, 2024 By Veronika J. Miles  
 Veronika J. Miles (#6313161), Its Attorney  
 Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC  
 Veronika J. Miles (#6313161)

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
 --SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
 CMG MORTGAGE, INC.,  
 Plaintiff,

vs.  
 SEAN STILLMANK; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS;  
 Defendant(s).

CASE NO. 2024FC000009  
 Property Address: 3721 Sangamo Heights Lane  
 Springfield, IL 62702

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, SEAN STILLMANK; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS ; defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit: THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 58, ALL OF LOTS 59, 60, 61, 62 AND THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 63 OF SANGAMO HEIGHTS, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THAT PART OF THE EAST 410 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LYING NORTH OF THE CENTER LINE OF THE SPRINGFIELD AND PEORIA ROAD, AS PER PLAT RECORDED JUNE 25, 1924 IN BOOK 12 PAGE 4, SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 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.  
 P.I.N.: 14-11.0-327-036  
 Said property is commonly known as 3721 Sangamo Heights Lane, Springfield, IL 62702 and which said mortgage(s) was/were made and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 2021R13543, and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending.

NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Sangamon County on or before April 20, 2024, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. 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 [www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp](http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp).

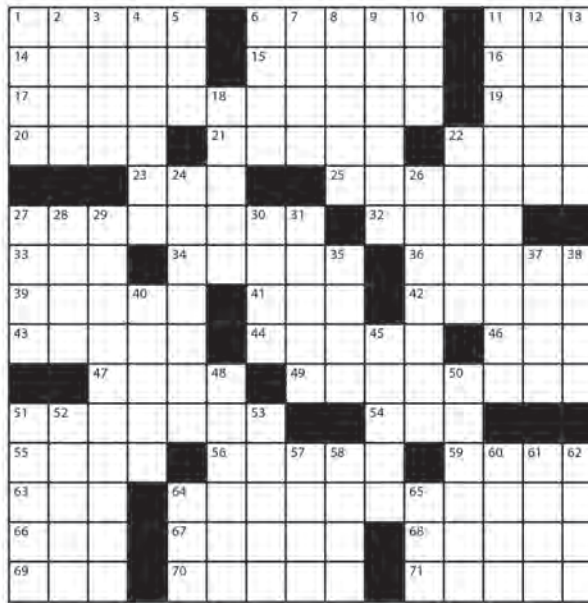
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## In other words

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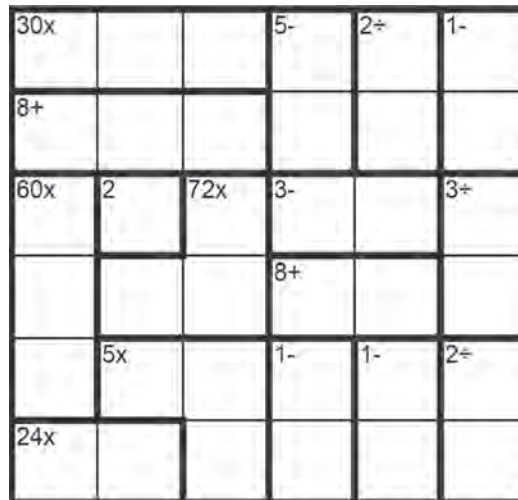
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- 6. Guns N' Roses guitarist
- 11. Arrest
- 14. Bullwinkle, e.g.
- 15. Use inefficiently
- 16. --Wan Kenobi
- 17. Finish second -- Thriller
- 19. Used a bench
- 20. Scotch go-with
- 21. Middle Eastern leader
- 22. Fly, e.g.
- 23. The "p" in r.p.m.
- 25. Loaded
- 27. Lacking pizzazz
- 32. Ancient gathering spot
- 33. Hockey's Bobby
- 34. Dye-yielding shrubs
- 36. Stretchy stuff
- 39. Sorority members
- 41. Wrangler rival
- 42. Sought answers
- 43. Like some gases
- 44. Rimes of country music
- 46. Young fellow
- 47. Mayflower mover
- 49. Graph makers
- 51. Trolley
- 54. Calendar abbr.
- 55. Living room seat
- 56. Activist's focus
- 59. Latin 101 verb
- 63. Senate vote
- 64. Seeking office - Front's opposite
- 66. Snitch



- 67. Reversed the effects of
- 68. Pool problem
- 69. Hard to catch
- 70. Have a sample of
- 71. Santa Claus feature
- 10. Part of H.M.S.
- 11. It smells - Fishing gear
- 12. Put to shame
- 13. Teensy-weensy
- 18. Singing Carpenter
- 22. Devious moves
- 24. Like a bungee cord
- 26. Falcon's home
- 27. Centers of activity
- 28. Tiger's selection
- 29. On the house - Gun mechanism
- 30. Window ledge
- 31. Sheep counter's quest
- 35. Elite Navy diver
- 37. Kind of admiral
- 38. Performs basic arithmetic
- 40. Many an Arthur Miller work
- 45. Latin name
- 48. Gap
- 50. Clef designation
- 51. Romanov rulers
- 52. Fit for a king
- 53. Ayn and Sally
- 57. Military group
- 58. Slaw or fries, e.g.
- 60. Heroic tale
- 61. Mark for life
- 62. Managed, with "out"
- 64. Tiresome routine
- 65. Go on and on

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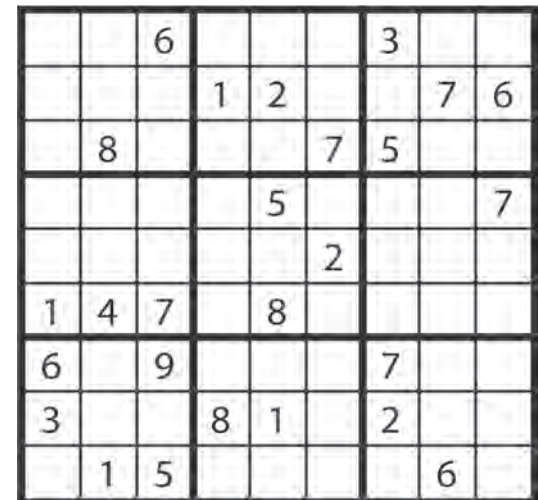
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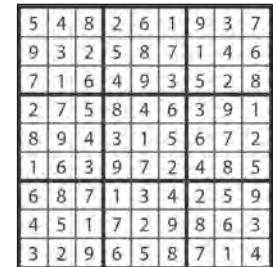


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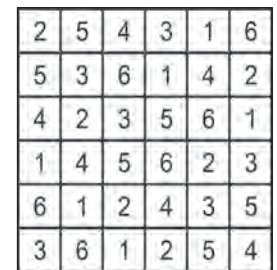
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