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Mission to Mars

Springfield ER doctor selected by NASA for year-long Mars simulation

SPACE | Dean Olsen

Beginning at age 10, Nathan Jones accompanied his father, an Effingham optometrist, on medical mission trips to Honduras.

As a young adult, he flew on helicopters to care for car-crash victims during residency training in Peoria on his path to becoming an emergency medicine physician.

In recent years, he has helped save lives in Springfield Memorial Hospital's emergency department.

And this summer, he and his problemsolving personality will go out of this world – figuratively – for what will be a year-long simulation of what it's like to live on Mars.

Jones, a 40-year-old married father of three children, was selected by NASA from thousands of applicants to be on the first four-member crew in a series of missions known as the federal agency's Crew Health and Performance Exploration Analog.

He will leave his family in Springfield this week for about a month of training before his 378-day mission begins inside Johnson Space Center in Houston. He will remain physically apart from his family the entire time, though he will be able to communicate by video and phone.

"I've always been more of like a tech nerd," Jones, 40, told *Illinois Times* before his scheduled departure this week for Texas. "My kids say that I can fix anything, like most household appliances, a lawn mower and a broken snow blower that I bought, took it apart and repaired it, just for fun."

Jones said he wanted to take part in the NASA simulation for "the chance to explore and to get to contribute the way that we are. It's going to have a pretty big impact on the future of space exploration."

Subjecting himself to the real-life challenges that could face people on future missions to



Dr. Nathan Jones, who works in the emergency room at Springfield Memorial Hospital, has been selected by NASA from thousands of applicants to be on the first four-member crew of a year-long mission simulating life on Mars

Mars intrigues him.

A private pilot, Jones said he previously applied to be part of NASA's astronaut corps. He wasn't selected and hasn't decided whether he will apply again. His interest in NASA was rekindled during a visit to Kennedy Space Center in 2020 while he and his family were on vacation in Florida. He later read online about the three simulation missions, scheduled for 2023, 2025 and 2026.

NASA says on its website that the missions will allow the agency to "study how highly motivated individuals respond under the rigor of a long-enduring, ground-based simulation."

The simulations will be part of research to "develop methods and technologies to prevent

and resolve potential problems on future human space flight missions to the moon and Mars," according to the website.

NASA hasn't outlined any timeline for a manned mission to Mars – a journey of six months in space each way.

Planning for moon missions is well underway. There was a successful uncrewed Artemis 1 lunar orbital mission in late 2022. A crewed Artemis 2 lunar flyby is scheduled for November 2023 – the first manned trip to the moon in more than 50 years – followed by an Artemis 3 crewed moon landing in 2025.

Grace Douglas, lead scientist for NASA's advanced food technology research effort at Johnson Space Center, said in a statement that the simulated missions are "critical for testing solutions to meet the complex needs of living on the Martian surface. Simulations on Earth will help us understand and counter the physical and mental challenges astronauts will face before they go."

In this year's mission simulation, Jones and his three fellow crew members will live and work in a 1,700-square-foot module, called Mars Dune Alpha, that was constructed using 3D printing. It's a technology that NASA spokesperson Anna Schneider said may be used when as-yet-unscheduled missions to Mars begin.

"The habitat will simulate the challenges of a mission on Mars, including resource limitations, equipment failure, communication delays and other environmental stressors," the NASA website says. "Crew tasks may include simulated spacewalks, scientific research, use of virtual reality and robotic controls, and exchanging communications."

The habitat won't attempt to simulate the difference in gravity on Mars, which is one-third of Earth's gravity and the next and fourth planet away from the sun.

But simulated delays in communications between Mars and Earth will come into play, Jones said, noting that radio messages traveling at the speed of light can take up to 22 minutes between the two planets.

For comparison, communications between Earth and the International Space Station are almost instantaneous, and the delay between Earth and the moon is slightly more than a second.

Jones, a graduate of Southern Illinois University School of Medicine and an adjunct assistant professor of emergency medicine at SIU, will be designated as a medical officer on this year's crew.

The other three members selected include a man and two women from other parts of the country. There is a research scientist, a structural engineer and an advanced-practice registered nurse. There are two backup crew members – an engineer and a microbiologist.

Crew members for the next two mission simulations haven't been chosen yet.

While on leave from his job with Mid-America Emergency Physicians, Jones said he will be compensated by NASA, but he wouldn't elaborate on the amount, and NASA didn't respond to a request for details about compensation and the simulation program's overall cost to the federal government.

Being away from family in Springfield for a year will be a challenge, both Jones and his wife Kacie said

"We know it's going to be difficult," said Kacie Jones, a registered dietitian and full-time stay-at-home mom to three boys, ages 9, 11 and 13.

"But the impact will go on longer than our hardship. And the boys (will) think their dad is pretty amazing."

Nathan Jones chimed in, "They already do." Adding the title of simulated astronaut to Jones' title made it seem to them like he was "the best dad ever," he said. □

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Editor's note

Farmers know that it's not climate change, but agriculture change, that caused the dust storm and May 1 fatal pileup on I-55. The legislature has taken a positive approach — not to blame, but to double down on soil health as the solution to erosion caused by wind or water. The General Assembly has approved the Illinois Healthy Soils Initiative, which will identify "voluntary and incentive-based strategies" to keep both soil and fertilizer in the fields where they belong. Keeping soil covered with crop residues, minimizing tillage, keeping living roots in the soil with cover crops, and other "sustainable" practices, are well known to farmers, and to the Illinois Farm Bureau, which helped to pass the legislation. David Kleinschmidt of Vandalia, an agronomy consultant, writes that soil erosion is caused by a lack of biological processes in the soil to hold it together. "Without the glue to hold the soil together," he writes, "Illinois soil is susceptible to wind and water erosion." By taking a positive, not punitive, approach, Illinois places faith in farmers who know better to do better. —Fletcher Farrar, editor

Punishing pregnancy centers

New legislation would allow crisis pregnancy centers to be fined for deceptive practices

ABORTION | Dean Olsen

Suzanne Moss doesn't see the need for Illinois to become one of the first states to explicitly allow pregnancy resource centers to be fined for deceptive practices.

"I find it very odd," said Moss, education program coordinator of Two Hearts Springfield, one of three such pro-life pregnancy centers in the city. "I don't know any pregnancy care center that operates like this, with deceptive practices. We are very upfront. ... We are here to help the woman, regardless of her decision. We hope her decision is for life."

Supporters said the legislation, championed by Attorney General Kwame Raoul, a Chicago Democrat, would give the AG's office the option to ask courts to fine "limited services pregnancy centers" up to \$50,000 if the centers use unfair or deceptive practices with patients, including those who may be interested in abortion or emergency contraception.

Senate Bill 1909 passed the Democratic-

controlled Illinois House and Senate on May 10 and March 31, respectively, with no Republican votes. Democratic Gov. JB Pritzker is expected to sign the bill into law.

Those opposing SB 1909 included Republican House members Michael Coffey Jr. of Springfield and C.D. Davidsmeyer of Jacksonville, and Republican Sens. Steve McClure of Springfield and Sally Turner of Beason. Democrats supporting the bill included Rep. Sue Scherer of Decatur and Sen. Doris Turner of Springfield.

As with most legislation dealing with abortion, reproductive rights and reproductive health, debate over the bill was intense, emotional and left little room for shades of gray.

Supporters of the bill said pregnant people and other patients deserve specific protections, especially amid anecdotal reports of pregnancy centers diverting or trying to deceive patients about abortion services.

Opponents, however, say current law allows pregnancy centers to be cited for deceptive practices. The legislation soon heading to Pritzker's desk gives the attorney general too much leeway to potentially harass or try to close the approximately 100 pregnancy resource centers statewide, opponents say.

Some of the nonprofit centers, like Two Hearts, intentionally opened up next door to clinics that provide abortions, and some have operated for decades near abortion providers.

"I witnessed deceptive crisis pregnancy center tactics firsthand on a visit to tour a Planned Parenthood health center in Illinois," Raoul said in a news release. "People who appeared as though they might work there were outside attempting to divert us away from the health center."

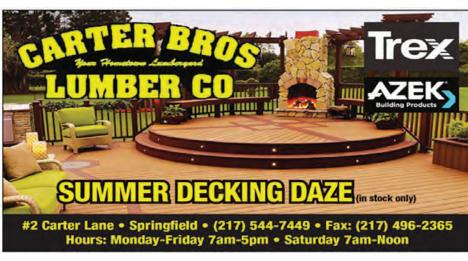
Raoul apparently was not referring to Two Hearts, which is immediately south of Planned Parenthood's Springfield health center at 601 Bruns Lane.

Jennifer Welch, president and chief executive officer of nonprofit Planned Parenthood of Illinois, which provides abortions in Springfield and throughout the rest of the state, applauded the two chambers' passage of SB 1909.

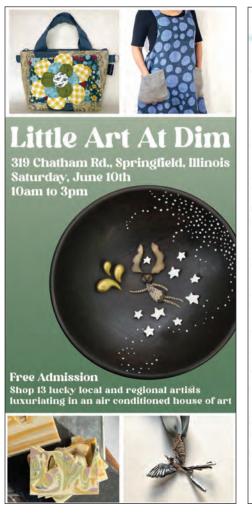
"At a time when access to health care is under attack like never before, it's critical that people have access to accurate and unbiased information when making decisions about their health," she

Illinois' Democratic supermajority in the General Assembly has taken steps in recent years to remove barriers to abortion while many other Midwestern states have moved in the opposite direction.

The urgency on both sides has accelerated in the wake of the U.S. Supreme Court's June 24, 2022, decision overturning Roe v. Wade, the court's landmark ruling in 1973 that made abortion a constitutional right nationwide.









Rep. Terra Costa Howard, D-Glen Ellyn, House sponsor of SB 1909, said pregnancy resource centers are "fake clinics" that have been "set up specifically to deceive patients who are seeking reproductive health care."

But Rep. Amy Grant, R-Wheaton, said pregnancy centers "play a vital role in navigating women through the emotional roller coaster that can come with the news of a baby on the way."

In debate on the House floor May 10 before the bill passed, 72-40, Costa Howard brushed aside First Amendment concerns about restricting free speech.

"This is about consumer protection from 'bad actors," Costa Howard said. "At the end of the day, don't lie, and you don't have to worry about it."

If enacted, the legislation is expected to be challenged in court.

Rep. Dagmara Avelar, D-Bolingbrook, who voted for the bill, said she walked into "one of these fake clinics" in 2010 and failed to receive information about all of her reproductive health options. "Abortion was out of the question," she

Another supporter of the bill, Rep. Kelly Cassidy, D-Chicago, said it's ridiculous for Republicans "from the party of government small enough to fit in my uterus" to defend "lies and deception."

But Rep. William Hauter, R-Morton, said the bill is "targeting one viewpoint in this discussion, and it's viewpoint discrimination."

Rep. Adam Niemerg, R-Dieterich, asked, "Why do we need this bill?" He said a Freedom of Information Act request revealed that there have been no complaints about pregnancy resource centers filed with the attorney general's office over the past 10 years.

Raoul spokesperson Jamey Dunn-Thomason acknowledged the lack of formal consumer complaints on file against pregnancy resource centers. "However," she told *Illinois Times*, "our office has received communications complaining about the conduct of crisis pregnancy centers from constituents, advocacy organizations and other elected officials, and our office is also aware of news reports about crisis pregnancy centers engaged in fraud and deception."

Lawmakers heard testimony in committee that women at times were misled by pregnancy resource centers and by abortion providers, potentially endangering patients'

Moss said she cried tears of joy in summer 2022 when a pregnant woman in her early 20s from Tennessee walked into Two Hearts a few hours before her appointment for an abortion next door at Planned Parenthood.

The woman learned from one of



Suzanne Moss is the education program coordinator and nonmedical sonogram director at Two Hearts Springfield, a pro-life pregnancy resource center. The baby whose picture is on the newsletter Moss is holding was born earlier this year after his parents visited Two Hearts last summer and decided against getting an abortion at Springfield's Planned Parenthood health center. PHOTO BY DEAN OLSE

Springfield Right to Life's "sidewalk advocates" in front of Planned Parenthood that Two Hearts offered free, nonmedical sonograms, Moss said.

The woman was considering not following

through with the abortion, but her boyfriend, who accompanied her, wanted her to get an abortion until he saw results of the sonogram of the approximately 8-weeks-old fetus. According to Moss, the man said, "I had no idea that was

The couple ended up deciding not to get the abortion, and their healthy son was born in February, Moss said.

Cheri Triplett, executive director of Pregnancy Resource Center in Rushville, who is on the board of pro-life Vision 2020 Illinois, said services provided by the nonprofit centers can include free pregnancy tests and both medical and nonmedical ultrasounds, counseling, diapers, clothes, car seats and parenting classes.

The centers provided an estimated \$7.8 million in services in Illinois in 2019, she said. Triplett said the pregnancy centers she works with take care not to deceive anyone.

"Pregnancy centers really are good for communities, because healthy families build healthy communities," she said.

Triplett said she hopes Pritzker vetoes SB 1909, though she doubts that will happen.

'The pregnancy centers are the last thing standing in the way of making Illinois the abortion utopia that Gov. Pritzker wants," she





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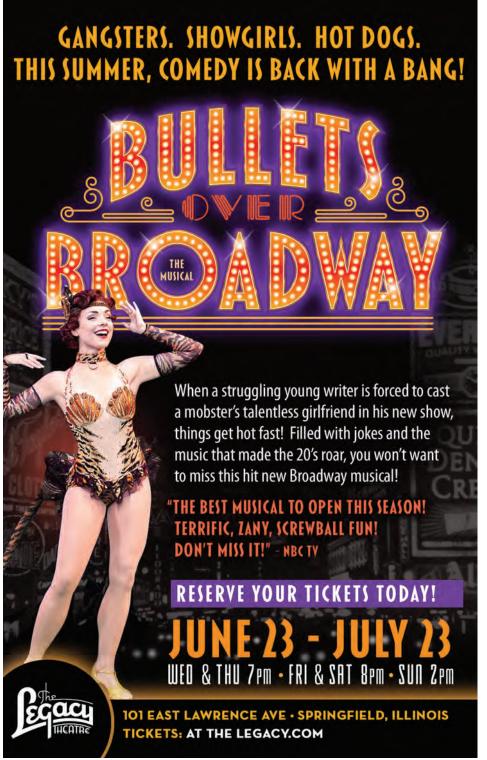
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The sky's the limit

LLCC receives \$500K grant to help train aircraft mechanics amid industry wide shortage

TRADES | Scott Reeder

To combat a national shortage of aircraft mechanics, the Federal Aviation Administration has given Lincoln Land Community College a \$500,000 grant.

"We earmarked over half of that money to be for student support: tuition, books and tools. We're also helping them pay for their testing that they'll do upon graduation," said Nancy Sweet, dean of the college's workforce institute.

She said the grant helps pay for up to 75% of the tuition for eligible students, plus tools and books, with an emphasis on recruiting women and students of color. Additional financial aid assistance is available for those who qualify.

There is a strong demand for technicians with these skills not only nationally but also locally, said Dave Pietrzak, director of the college's aviation program. Many graduates work for StandardAero, previously known as Garrett Aviation, at Springfield's Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport.

The program started in 2001 after Garrett officials expressed a strong desire for LLCC to train people to have the skills their business needed, he said.

StandardAero's Springfield location houses one of North America's top corporate jet service facilities. For more than 40 years, the operation with more than 220 employees has performed hundreds of modifications, major structural repairs, inspections, interior refurbishments, avionics installations and painted business jet aircraft.

Pietrzack said graduates of the program are now earning more than \$100,000 annually. He said this reflects the overall demand for people with skills in the aviation industry.

"There haven't been enough people to do everything that needs to be done," he said. "So now, every facet of aviation – every person who works in aviation, whatever the job might be, is in demand, whether it's the Federal Aviation Administration, whether it's the people who run the control tower, whether it's a ticket agent, a ramp agent, a pilot – they're all in great need. And we're just focusing in right now on teaching technicians to be what we call airframe and powerplant mechanics."

In a separate move, airport and local economic development officials have been in discussions with Southern Illinois University to create a pilot training facility at the airport. Eventually, the pilot training program may have more than 100 students, said Mike Murphy, president and CEO of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce. He said he anticipates SIU making a formal announcement within two months.

Sweet said LLCC offers an 18-month program that certifies that its graduates are proficient in airframe and powerplant mechanics. The college also offers a two-year associate degree. Between nine and 14 students are enrolled in the program each semester, she said.

The shortage of skilled workers doesn't surprise people in the aviation industry, Pietrzak said.

"Five years ago, we could definitely see the situation coming," he said. "Seventy-five percent of all the technicians were age 50 or older. And it's only gotten higher since then. Guys are retiring, and there are not enough people replacing them. I've been involved in aviation since 1974, when I first went to school. I have never seen such a demand for qualified individuals."

Most of the people entering the training are recent high school graduates, although they do have some older students as well, he said.

"I have seen the wages increasing almost exponentially in the last five years," Pietrzak said. "And it's become a pretty lucrative position. With our program, you only need 18 months of training. We have seen some of the starting wages go from \$15 an hour a few years back to \$30 an hour – at the same place. And there are places where there's even a little higher starting wage right out of school. Plus, of course, this is a job where they still offer benefits and there's a lot of future."

Open houses for students interested in this career will be held from 5-7 p.m. Tuesdays, June 27 and July 11, at LLCC's Levi, Ray and Shoup Aviation Center at Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport. □

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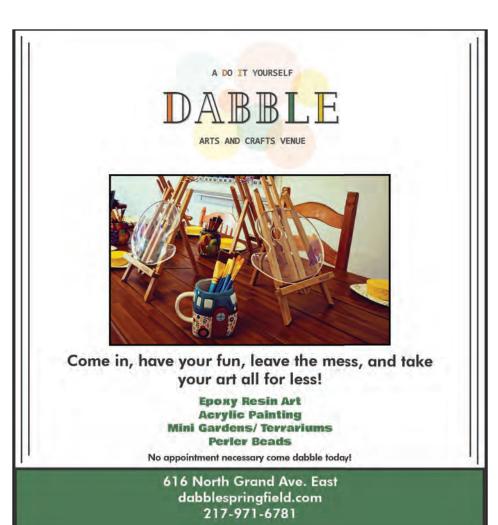
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Fired library managers speak out

Summer Beck-Griffith and Hillary Rains terminated by new administration

LIBRARY | Scott Reeder

Summer Beck-Griffith was told the mayor wants to take the Lincoln Library in a different direction when she was notified of her firing earlier this month.

But in the wake of her dismissal, by newly elected Mayor Misty Buscher, Beck-Griffith remains perplexed as to just what that "new direction" might be for the capital city's 167-year-old public library.

Beck-Griffith says she repeatedly sought unsuccessfully to meet with Buscher before being terminated.

City spokeswoman Haley Wilson issued this statement: "After careful thought and consideration, Mayor Misty Buscher dismissed Summer Beck-Griffith as an appointed employee. Mayor Buscher recently appointed Curtis Mann as the library's acting director. Mann served as the library's city historian and also managed the Sangamon Valley Collection. Mann is more than qualified to temporarily fulfill this role until Kathryn Harris assumes her role as interim director for the city's public

"Harris has over four decades of institutional knowledge and expertise that will spearhead the future of the library and provide guidance and direction on forthcoming leadership. We are so very grateful to acquire Kathryn Harris in an interim role as we search for a qualified director for our city's library."

Beck-Griffith acknowledged that mayors have the right to pick their own department heads. But she noted the library, for at least the last 50 years, has been immune from leadership changes with the election of new mayors.

"My hope is that Springfield works toward moving in a way that's congruent with a setup that takes the politics out of ruling the library,"

It's been a tumultuous time for the library. Last year, Library Director Rochelle Hartman was fired by then-mayor Jim Langfelder after a little over two years on the job. Langfelder replaced her with Beck-

Beck-Griffith was fired after Buscher made comments inferring that the director needed to be a librarian to be eligible for some grants. But those comments were disputed by more than 30 library employees who signed a letter to the public saying that Beck-Griffith's skills



Summer Beck-Griffith



Hillary Rains

suited the role well and that grant money would not be affected by her lack of a degree in library science.

Community relations manager Hillary Rains, who passed the petition, was fired as a result of the letter, which was printed on library letterhead.

Gene Mitchell, a staff representative with the labor union representing most library workers, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Council 31, said employees felt coerced into signing the letter because a member of management

In response, Beck-Griffith said, "The staff has time and time again stood up for the future of Lincoln Library and to say anything else really belittles their voice."

Kathryn Harris, who has worked in local libraries for over 40 years, will assume the role of interim director of the library June 1. In 2015, Harris retired from the Abraham

Lincoln Presidential Library after a career that began at Springfield's public library in 1971.

Interim department heads can hold a post no longer than three months. Buscher said she will conduct a nationwide search to find a permanent library director.

"Once Kathryn Harris assumes her role as interim director, we will work with her on a comprehensive plan of what the library will look like in the future. We will be relying heavily on her expertise," Buscher said in a prepared statement to *Illinois Times*.

Beck-Griffith said she holds Harris in high regard and believes she will be an asset to the

"I just want to let people know that I support the staff. The staff is phenomenal, and I'm so proud of the work that they have done,"

But Beck-Griffith added she believes structural reforms are needed at the library. She said the department is largely funded by the city's telecommunications tax but as the number of landlines in the city has diminished, it has become a less reliable revenue source. She added that property taxes would be a stable source of funding.

Unlike most municipalities, Springfield's library director doesn't report to a library board. Instead, the mayor decides who will hold the post. Springfield's library board functions in an advisory role.

Rains said, "We'd really like to let people know that the idea that (Beck-Griffith's) credentials could stand in the way of the library's progress is not true. ... Not having a degreed librarian as director has nothing to do with grant qualifications. Many libraries, especially libraries of our size, have directors who worked in things like communications, public administration or nonprofit management.

"I don't need Summer to catalog a book. She's never going to think about that. Heck, I can't catalog a book, and I have a library degree. We need someone in that position to be able to do the things that we can't do: Communicate with the higher-ups and see the lay of the political land, which, you know, Summer generally is pretty great at." □

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Making community college transfer easier

Bill also promotes careers in education

EDUCATION | Don Howard

New legislation guarantees that community college graduates in approved degree programs would have all their major course credits transfer to a four-year public institution in Illinois. Students would have to confirm in advance that the receiving institution offers an equivalent major. Currently, four-year schools have the option of requiring community college graduates to retake certain courses in their major.

SB 2288 passed both houses of the General Assembly unanimously, and the measure is headed to Gov. JB Pritzker for his signature. If the governor approves, the law would take effect Jan. 1, 2024.

Community colleges in Illinois are free to make partnership agreements with four-year schools to ensure that their students get full credit for their academic work. Lincoln Land Community College in Springfield has been out in front of the issue, signing agreements with 14 institutions, both public and private. According to Jason Dockter, interim vice president academic services at Lincoln Land, each agreement is tailored to the programs at the receiving institutions. "About 60 percent of our students intend to transfer to a four-year school, so this issue is important to us." He said Lincoln Land students tend to transfer to one of five or six schools, and partnership agreements are already in place with those. Under the new law the school will not have to negotiate separate deals with public schools where such an agreement is not yet in place, such as Northern Illinois University or University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

In fact, Lincoln Land announced May 16 it has signed an agreement with Illinois Wesleyan University, a private school in Bloomington. IWU will guarantee admission to all Lincoln Land students who maintain a 3.0 grade point average and complete a transfer-oriented program. Lincoln Land also has a guaranteed admission agreement with University of Illinois Springfield and Illinois State University.

Chelsea Gentry is majoring in psychology at Lincoln Land Community College and wants to be a doctor. She says when she arrived on campus she was assigned a success

coach who has steered her towards classes that will transfer. Gentry appreciated having a success coach after seeing firsthand the challenges her older sister faced in transferring from Illinois State. "I didn't want to go through that nightmare," she said.

Gentry came to Lincoln Land because it was affordable and convenient but says there are many other reasons why she's glad she chose the school. "This place is so supportive," says Gentry. "Not only are the counselors great, but the professors understand what it's like for students who have to juggle other commitments like jobs and family."

In addition to language guaranteeing transferability of credits, the bill also directs the Board of Higher Education and Illinois Community College Board to create an elementary and secondary education panel. The panel would address the statewide teacher shortage by focusing on education majors at community colleges, according to Terry Wilkerson, chair of the Illinois Council of Community College Presidents.

The need for more teachers in Illinois public schools is acute and longstanding. According to the 2022-2023 survey by the Illinois Association of Superintendents of Schools, 30 percent of open teacher support staff and special education positions remained unfilled or filled with someone less than qualified for the position, and nearly 80 percent of school districts reported a shortage of teachers this past fall.

The IASS also noted that the state is recovering from an extended period of decline in teacher training. Between 2010 and 2018, Illinois' teacher preparation programs saw a 60% decline in enrollments. While the General Assembly passed more than a dozen laws aimed at improving public education in Illinois last year, none addressed increasing the number of students pursuing undergraduate education degrees as directly as this year's bill. \square

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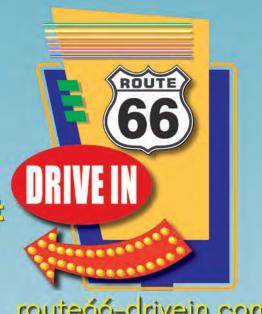


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Misty Buscher addresses the crowd at her election-night gathering. Since taking office May 5, she has announced a number of new directors. PHOTO COURTESY BUSCHER CAMPAIGN

Ron Dougan on politics 03/20/1960

I read a statement by Kennedy in which he says we must have higher social security benefits, higher old age benefits, higher medical benefits, and all hamsters must be protected from want! Oh yes, farmers ought to get what's coming to them, and I couldn't agree more. I forgot to apply for my gas refund for non-highway vehicles and lost 100 dollars. This is a legitimate refund, for the gas taxes are supposed to go for highway maintenance and extension, but tractors shouldn't help pay for it. I told the tax clerk I didn't begrudge the \$100 because it offsets some of the nice things the taxpavers are doing for me. a farmer -3/4 the cost of ponds, for instance, free trees for tree belts, half the cost of limestone which I would buy anyway and last but not least, the floor under prices.

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LETTERS

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UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

Was this article meant to be journalism or just act as a mouthpiece ("New mayor makes appointments," May 11)? There are so many unanswered questions that myself, and I would hope other residents, would like answered. I was hoping Scott Reeder would ask some follow-up questions to Mayor Misty Buscher, but it seems that was not the case.

Is the new Public Works director, Dave Fuchs, going to be receiving a greatly reduced salary compared to Nate Bottom's, considering it sounds like he will be doing nothing with major projects, which is a complete change from the other directors the city has had recently? Nothing was stated on Fuchs' background. What qualifies him to be director of Public Works?

Additionally, is the chief of staff a new position? Or is this taking the place of the deputy mayor position? That would've been great to know. What are the chief of staff's duties going to be?

On the Fire Department: "I've just known them a long time, and I thought Chief (Ed) Canny and I had the same vision," Buscher said. What is the vision she is speaking about? Is this just another broad claim?

How about the fact that Mayor Buscher ran on how unsafe the city is, but now is saying the police union (who supported her) has full faith in Chief Ken Scarlette? What is the disconnect then? Making no changes there seems weird, considering she acted like we lived in a war zone.

Let's hold elected officials accountable. Reeder wrote articles about government transparency and pay-to-play during the election cycle, so I would hope this is *Illinois Times'* standard. *John Morris*Springfield

GOVERNMENT STILL WORKS

I enjoyed Karen Witter's article on her Washington, D.C., trip ("Democracy up close," May 11). It was very insightful, and at the same time, encouraging that the functions of government are still at work, despite all of the despair that envelopes the daily news cycles. *Greg Hurst*

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DEMOCRATS DESTROY

I would be curious to know if you have written an article about how Democrats have destroyed our state with their lack of fiscal responsibility. Dick Durbin is one of the biggest culprits. In the beginning of his political career, he was impressive, with independent thoughts and plans. I volunteered for him during one of his campaigns. He lost races until he became a blood brother to The Machine. After that, he won his elections and lost his soul.

Chicago is on the road to becoming the next Detroit. Masses of people are fleeing or dreaming of leaving this state due to its taxation policies, fees, stance on crime and more. Where do we go from here to once again become a fiscally strong state?

Vickie Storm Via illinoistimes.com

HTYM A TO

I am deeply disappointed to find Scott Reeder, a writer I respect, descend into tawdry laborbashing in his review of a pivotal event in American labor history (The myth of May Day," May 4).

It's fair to say that there was plenty of violence, by and against labor, in those decades following the Civil War. It's the unfortunate nature of human beings to respond to violence with violence. But Haymarket was not a riot, it was a protest, which was beginning to break up when the police arrived. Nobody disputed that the bomb was what killed the policemen; the forensic evidence was not at issue. What was at issue was who threw the bomb something that to this day is not known.

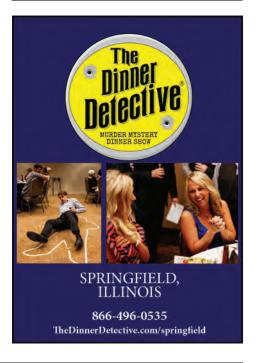
The real purpose of the trial was to break the back of the labor movement in Chicago by taking out the leadership. It was enough under Illinois law that those arrested could be convicted for having called for violence in the past, although not on this occasion. The evidence, based on eyewitness testimony, was inconclusive, and the jury selection process was very slanted toward getting people who would convict.

This event, which Reeder depicts as a myth and wants to abolish (DeSantis-like) from our history books, is something that needs to be taught and discussed as part of the formative struggle for workers' rights under a capitalist system.

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OPINION

New tax on financial services industry unlikely

POLITICS | Rich Miller

From Illinois law: "No unit of local government shall levy any tax on stock, commodity or options transactions."

That statute has long been targeted for elimination by the Chicago Teachers Union and its allies. The CTU reliably shuns any proposal to increase property taxes across the board, instead pushing often-times "magical" solutions as alternatives. It's one way the union has maintained its popularity among Chicago voters.

And new Chicago Mayor Brandon Johnson, who spent much of his career working for the CTU, made it clear during his inaugural address that he will eschew property tax increases, lumping them in with onerous fines and fees. "We have a structural deficit," Johnson told his audience. "And we have to invest in people. And we have to do that without breaking the backs of working people with fines, fees and property taxes."

During the campaign, Johnson proposed a 1-2% "Big Banks Securities and Speculation Tax" that would raise \$100 million. So, naturally, there's worry that Mayor Johnson will try to use his considerable contacts in the General Assembly and CTU's clout to persuade Gov. JB Pritzker to reverse his position on allowing Chicago to impose a transaction tax and ease the city's structural deficit. When he was asked last month about the transaction tax, Pritzker said, "Obviously what we all want is a thriving financial services economy in the state and the city. I have not stood for a transaction tax, because I think it would be easy for those companies' servers to move out of the state."

The financial services industry employs thousands of Illinoisans. And one of the leaders of that industry left Chicago in a huff last year. Citadel CEO Ken Griffin abruptly announced his move to Florida after shutting down funding for his preferred Republican gubernatorial candidate Richard Irvin. Griffin and Pritzker have exchanged verbal jabs ever since then and Pritzker has repeatedly full-on attacked Griffin's Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis.

It's not a stretch to believe that Griffin would love to see more Illinois-based companies relocate to Miami. *Crain's Chicago Business*, citing "multiple industry sources," recently reported that investment firm Guggenheim Partners, which has strong Chicago ties, "is on the verge of deciding to move its headquarters to Miami, the Florida city to which Citadel recently decamped."

And lots of heads turned last week when Bloomberg reported that CME Group CEO

Terry Duffy indicated that the company could leave Chicago. CME has already sold all of its real estate in the city and the state, Duffy said. "In our leases, we have a language in there that says if there's something that's ill-conceived from the city or the state, that our leases are null and void," Duffy said on a Bloomberg podcast. "We're in a very strong position. If we had to leave, we could leave."

Duffy did make it clear that "We like Chicago," saying he wants to be "part of the solution, not a part of the problem." Also, if you listen to the podcast, Duffy made a point to say he realized that campaign rhetoric often changes when people assume office and have to govern.

And Johnson's own campaign website claims: "We should raise revenues from activities that won't leave and cost us jobs."

While Duffy has strong, lifelong ties to Chicago, he is clearly not happy with how the city has been run. Earlier this month, Bloomberg reported that Duffy said: "Three o'clock in the afternoon, my wife got car-

jacked right in the city of Chicago, and it's absolutely insane what's going on here."

Duffy said he was also upset with the response he received from then-Mayor Lori Lightfoot about how the homicide rate was falling. "I said, 'Don't go there. Please don't go there.' One is too many."

I would assume that Duffy has been inundated with offers to move his company elsewhere since the progressive Brandon Johnson's election. Company headquarter locations are very often subject to the whims of the CEO. Duffy said during his most recent interview that he hadn't yet talked with the new mayor. "I'm hopeful that he reaches out, I don't care if it's me or whoever, and talks about these things."

So, I reached out to the two legislative leaders to see where they stood on allowing home rule units like Chicago to impose a tax on electronic transactions.

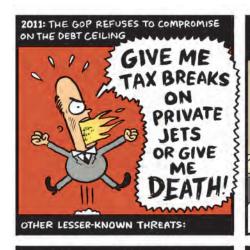
Spokespersons for both Senate President Don Harmon and House Speaker Chris Welch said their bosses opposed the idea.

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When pregnancy is treated as a problem

WEEKLY REEDER | Scott Reeder

Are you pregnant? Are you planning to get pregnant? Are you in a relationship?

I squirmed uncomfortably as my boss asked these questions to a finalist for a job opening. I'd identified the person as a promising journalist, but he wanted to do the final screening.

The questions he asked had little to do with her experience and much to do with the candidate's child-bearing plans. This incident happened more than a decade ago when I was in management for a different employer.

I would like to say that I stood up and interrupted the interrogation and said, "You can't ask those questions." But to my shame, I remained silent. I didn't want to lose my job.

Only a few months earlier, the same boss became infuriated when another woman announced her pregnancy shortly after she'd been hired.

He said he'd been "tricked" and "deceived" and that he wanted me to fire her. I wouldn't. (Interestingly enough, he could have fired her himself, but for some reason didn't.)

Instead, I spent nearly nine months being harangued daily by my supervisor about the woman's continued employment. It was a miserable experience. He was gestating a grudge.

Call me a Pollyanna, but until this experience it never occurred to me that some employers would

retaliate against a worker for getting pregnant.

I grew up in a family business. When my parents learned someone was expecting, it was considered a matter to celebrate. Yes, there was the inconvenience of finding someone to fill in during a maternity leave. But it never would have crossed their minds to penalize someone.

A few days ago, I read about Becky Harmon, the coach for the WNBA team the Las Vegas Aces, being suspended for making inappropriate remarks about the pregnancy of one of her players, Dearica Hamby.

Hamby alleged the Aces "bullied, manipulated and discriminated against" her after she told the team she was pregnant.

"I was asked if I planned my pregnancy," she wrote of the Aces in her statement. "When I responded, 'no,' I was then told that I 'was not taking precautions to not get pregnant."

Here's a thought, it's nobody else's business whether a pregnancy is planned or not.

In fact, according to the Guttmacher Institute, 45% of all pregnancies in the United States are unintended.

In other words, walk into any preschool and about half of the kids you will see were an oops. Or just look in the mirror and remember your own parents were probably batting .500.

But unplanned doesn't necessarily mean

unwanted or unloved.

One of the things that stands out about the Hamby story is that the abuse she allegedly endured came at the hands of another woman.

Her coach, Harmon, was a trailblazer in her own right. She was an Olympian, a professional basketball player, only the second female to be an assistant NBA coach and she is one of the most highly regarded coaches in the WNBA.

And yet, she apparently hassled another woman for getting pregnant.

Perhaps I should find this surprising. But when I was enduring abuse from my own boss for not firing a pregnant worker, a female editor kept chiming in, "I've seen pregnancy just ruin otherwise good reporters."

Her tone made one think she was describing a prize canine bred by the neighbors' mutt right before competing in the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show. Every time she'd say it, I'd roll my eyes and wonder how someone could be that stupid.

Next month, a federal law goes into effect that requires employers with more than 15 employees to make reasonable accommodations for pregnant workers. Such workers could not be denied employment opportunities or retaliated against for requesting a reasonable accommodation.

My friend and Springfield native, former U.S. Rep. Cheri Bustos, helped spearhead that measure

into law.

"Like many women, I have seen the impact that it can have on a career when an employer refuses to consider accommodations for a pregnancy," she said. "Years ago, when I was still early in my career, I was up for a promotion. At the time, I had two children at home.

"During my interview, I was asked if I had child care and if I planned to have more children. I replied that I had everything in my personal life in the right place.

"Despite having more experience, an excellent track record and having been with my employer longer, weeks later it was announced that I did not get the promotion. The person who did was single, with no children at home."

Bustos asked that I not identify the employer. That's understandable. No one wants to talk badly about a former employer. And that's why I, too, have held off on identifying the outfit where I had my bad experience.

But an interesting aspect of Bustos' situation was that it was a female supervisor who questioned her about whether she planned another pregnancy. In my case, the pressure to fire a pregnant worker came from a man.

Discrimination can come from all quarters.

And that is why I'm glad we will soon have a law protecting all pregnant workers..

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Misinformation around teacher retirements

GUESTWORK | Patricia Woods

Retirement ought to be a time in which every person can relax, spend time with loved ones, and pursue interests and hobbies. And yet, these days, too many of our neighbors are stressed that their golden years will lack the security and dignity they have worked so hard for throughout their lives. Rising cost of living is leading many older workers to stay in the workforce longer out of necessity.

When it came time for me to retire three years ago, my husband and I discussed these concerns. I taught for over three decades, wrapping up my career at PORTA Public Schools. It's fair to say that I dedicated my life to educating and preparing young people for their futures, while my spouse did in-home care for my mother as she navigated Alzheimer's. I often joked about how lucky I was to have a job I loved, rather like a football player making a living playing their favorite game. I felt it was worth it to make a difference at a job I loved, despite having a salary that was significantly less than what I could have made in the private sector. I also knew I had a pension on which I could retire when the time came.

For many public workers – from police officers, firefighters and teachers, to state park employees and sanitation workers – pensions are the only source of stable retirement income they can count on. Pensions are incredibly important to the economic security of retired workers and their families, with those dollars going towards essentials, including housing, medical bills and food.

That said, there is a great deal of misinformation out there about retirement security and pensions, with so much jargon bantered about and persistent gaps in financial literacy. Retirement security is best defined as having 60 to 80



Public sector workers keep communities strong, an important reason to protect pension benefits from future cuts.

percent of one's pre-retirement income once an individual stops working.

One common misconception is that all retirees will receive federal Social Security benefits, providing a foundation of retirement protection. However, this is not the case for most Illinois public employees. Instead of Social Security, many public sector workers will receive a pension, which they are likely dependent on as their only source of retirement income. Instead of the state, and as a result, taxpayers, paying for Social Security, the state (taxpayers) are instead contributing towards pensions, meaning it is no different than Social Security from the standpoint of what taxpayers are covering.

Another misunderstanding is that said pensions only impact public workers and retirees, when in fact, everyone is impacted. When a retired librarian, firefighter or park ranger receives a pension benefit payment, they will spend those dollars in their local community on goods and services. The effect is significant economic output that supports jobs and generates tax revenue, which helps fund the services we all depend on, including schools, roads and clean water, per a new report from the National Institute on Retirement Security. When municipal or state elected leaders divert resources from workers' retirement security, there is even greater risk on future generations and the stability of our economy.

Ironically, as many teachers I know have done, I worked extra jobs, especially when my husband was taking care of my mother, to make sure we could make ends meet. In the course of those jobs, I have earned enough hours to make myself eligible for Social Security. However, because I have a pension, I will never recover the money I was required to contribute into Social Security.

Over the last three years, the pandemic has exposed workforce challenges across sectors. Public sector employees have felt those impacts acutely as those who are employed by state and local governments work hard to ensure residents receive key services. Our educators, public safety officers, public works, and emergency technicians all play an important role in keeping localities running, increasing the importance of protecting pension benefits from future cuts.

From the first responders who keep our neighborhoods safe, to the sanitation workers who maintain our public spaces and protect public health, there is no doubt that public sector workers keep our communities moving forward. I urge all to come together and contact your elected officials about this issue. It will take all hands on deck to help identify sustainable solutions. Our communities will be that much stronger for it. \square

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Wednesdays. Ride your own bicycle following a guide on an casual, neighborhood-style bicycle tour of historic sites, including the Black Fire House, Dana-Thomas House, Lincoln Home, Old State Capitol, Lincoln Tomb, and others. Helmets are required and a water bottle is recommended. The 5-mile tour begins at 10am at the Dana-Thomas House, 301 E. Lawrence Ave. The 8-mile tour begins at 1pm at the Lincoln Tomb State Historic Site, 1500 Monument Ave. Donations welcome. 217-782-6302.

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Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8am-12:30pm, through Oct. 28. Supports small farms and local growers by providing an open-air venue to sell their goods in the heart of the Springfield. Sponsored by HSHS St. John's Hospital. Downtown, Fourth and Adams streets, 217-544-1723.

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1908 Race Riot Walking Tour

Thursdays and Saturdays, 9:30am. On this 60-minute tour, guides cover the devastating 1908 Race Riot that destroyed and affected the lives of many of Abraham Lincoln's African American friends and their descendants. Comfortable walking shoes and water are recommended. Donations welcome. Fifth and Adams streets, 217-782-6302.

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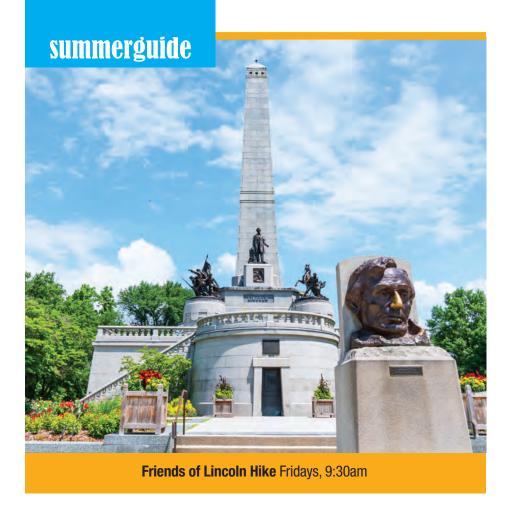


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community, discussing tragedies. as well as stories of success in the face of adversity and prejudice. Water and good hiking shoes recommended. Donations welcome. Lincoln Tomb State Historic Site, 1500 Monument Ave. 217-782-6302.

Women's History Walk: 1840-

Thursdays, 10-11am. Journey through downtown Springfield and hear stories of early Illinois women who worked for the abolition of slavery and to secure civil rights for women and people of color. The 1.5-mile walking tour concludes at the Vachel Lindsay Home. Sites' interiors are not included. Call for required reservation info. Free, Lincoln Home NHS Visitors Center, 426 S. Seventh St., 217-782-6302.

Women's History Walk: 1876-1920 and Beyond

Fridays, 10-11am. Walk the path of suffragists and discuss the women who helped to guarantee suffrage for women while advancing other social and civic causes. The 1.5-mile walking tour concludes at the State Capitol.

Sites' interiors are not included. Call for required reservation info. Free, Lincoln Home NHS Visitors Center, 426 S. Seventh St., 217-782-6302.

Friends of Lincoln Hike

Fridays, 9:30am. This 90-minute hike through Oak Ridge Cemetery visits the graves of Abraham Lincoln's friends, neighbors and political associates. Guides will discuss their lives and highlight their interactions with the 16th president. Comfortable shoes and water recommended. Donations welcome. Lincoln Tomb State Historic Site, 1500 Monument Ave., 217-782-6302.

First Friday Open Studio

First Friday of every month, 6-8pm. View the current exhibit and visit artists at work. Ask about their work, what inspires them and why they chose their particular medium to learn more about why artists do what they do despite the odds. pharmacygallery.com. Free. The Pharmacy Gallery and Art Space, 623 E. Adams St., 801-810-9278.

Parents Wild Night Out

Get out on the third Friday of

every month, 6-9pm, through Sep. 15. Drop off the kids to play, create and learn about the wild world around them while you spend a couple hours doing grownup things. Pizza and snacks provided or send a packed dinner. Registration is \$30-\$35, then \$5 for each additional child. Henson Robinson Zoo, 1100 E. Lake Shore Dr., 217-585-1821.

History Comes Alive

June 2-Aug. 6. Go back in time in this 10-week living history program. Meet the Lincolns, attend a flaglowering ceremony, join in an ice cream social and visit the local museums and historic sites. Go to visitspringfieldillinois.com for the full schedule. 217-789-2360 x5520.

Rochester Public Library Farmers Market

Every second and fourth Sunday, noon-3pm, from June 11 through Oct. 8. 1 Fresh produce, artisan crafts and baked goods, farmraised pork products and a food truck in one location. Call for more information. 1 Community Drive, Rochester. 217-498-8454.

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28. 7-9pm. Each week features a different musical genre. See jacksonvillemainstreet.com for schedule of artists. Food trucks will be there, too. Downtown Jacksonville, downtown square.

Governor Duncan Mansion tours

Saturdays and Sundays through Labor Day, 1-4pm. Get an inside look at the residence that served as the executive mansion from 1834 to 1838. 4 Duncan Place, Jacksonville. Suggested donations \$5 for adults, \$3 for children. Call for more information including tours on different days. 217-243-5678. visitors@jacksonvilleil.org

Concerts in the Park

Sundays from June 4 through Aug. 27. 6-7:30pm. A variety of musical acts sponsored by the Jacksonville Pilot Club. Big bandstand, Jacksonville Community Park, 1201 S. Main St., Jacksonville. 217-243-5678.

Springfield Lucky Horseshoes

Springfield's Prospect League team will be back in action starting May 31 at home. Visit the team's web site for schedule, ticket information and more. Robin Roberts Stadium, 1415 N. Grand Avenue E., Springfield. shoesbaseball.com.

MAY

Memorial Day Memories

May 26, 11:30am-12:30pm. Enjoy a special performance by the Tip Top Tappers and a marvelous meal from Daily Bread. Bring a photo of a loved one in uniform and a memory to share. Senior Services of Central Illinois, 701 W. Mason St., 217-528-4035.

Capital City Biathlon & CCB 5K May 27, 8am. 5K run, biathlon

May 27, 8am. 5K run, biathlon and team biathlon. Visit the website for registration info. capitalcitybiathlon.com.

"Dinosaurs: Land of Fire and Ice" May 27 Exhibit opening day

May 27. Exhibit opening day. Explore the Cretaceous Period (145 – 65 million years ago), the time when dinosaurs last lived on earth. Learn about dinosaur habitats to better understand how these mysterious animals lived. Geared toward ages 3-10. Open during normal museum hours through Sept. 3. kidzeum. org. Kidzeum of Health and Science Children's Museum, 412 E. Adams St., 217-971-4435.

Forest Therapy

May 27, 9:30-11am, June 24, 9:30-11am and July 29, 9:30-11am. Deepen your sense of connection or relationship with nature with a slow wander through the gardens. Preregistration required. incolnmemorialgarden. org. Lincoln Memorial Garden, 2301 E. Lake Shore Dr., \$25-\$30.

Paracord bracelet making for teens

May 27, 3-4pm. Hang out and make paracord bracelets. Open to anyone in grades 6-12. No registration required. lincolnlibrary. info. Free. Lincoln Library, 326 S. Seventh St., 217-753-4900.

Springfield Legends Classic II

May 27, 6:30pm. Watch your favorite St. Louis Cardinals alum take on the former Chicago Cubs squad in this exciting



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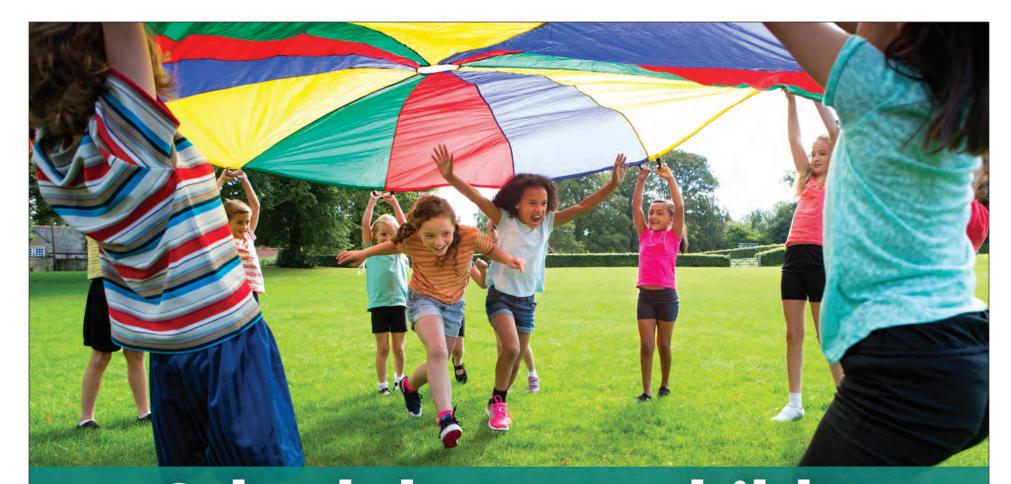
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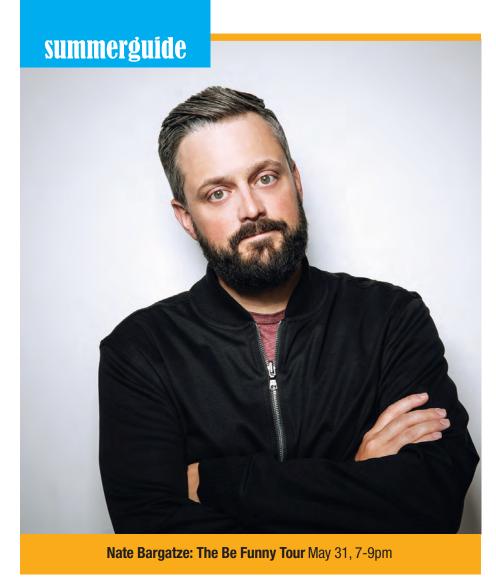


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Billy Sunday 1909 Revival Celebration

May 28, 4-6pm. Billy Sunday was the Billy Graham of his day. Thousands of people attended tabernacle tent meetings he held in Springfield in 1909. Join the celebration of those meetings on Pentecost Sunday. billysunday1909.org. Free. BOS Center, 1 Convention Center Plaza, 217-341-9782.

African American History Museum Summer Camp

May 29 through June 15. "Learn from the past. Create your own future." Hosted by the Springfield and Central Illinois African American History Museum. Visit the website or call for more information. Abundant Faith Christian Center, 2525 Taylor Ave., 217-391-6323.

Nate Bargatze: The Be Funny Tour

May 31, 7-9pm. Hailing from Old Hickory, Tennessee, standup comedian Nate Bargatze is selling out shows around the world. uispac.com. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

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Lilli Lewis Project

June 1, 6:30pm. A night of soul. Local band, Baaad Boyz, will open the show. Part of the Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series. Y Block, Fourth and Jackson streets, 217-544-1723.

Pawnee Prairie Days

June 1-3. Rides, pageant, tons of food and live music by Midwest Revival and Off the Wall. Pawnee Prairie Days, Pawnee Square, 217-971-6110.

International Carillon Festival June 1-4, 6pm. This festival has an unsurpassed tradition of presenting the world's finest carillonneurs. Bring a picnic dinner and lawn chairs and blankets. carillon-rees.org. Free. Thomas Rees Memorial Carillon, 1740 W. Fayette Ave., 217-546-3853.

Fiddler on the Roof

June 2-4 and June 7-10. Rich in historical and ethnic detail, this story's universal theme of tradition cuts across barriers of race, class, nationality and religion, leaving audiences crying tears of laughter, joy and sadness. themuni.org. \$12-\$22. Ages 5 and under free. The Muni, 815 E. Lake Dr., 217-793-6864.

Heritage Days

June 2-4. A Springfield tradition. Kids' area, carnival, food, raffles and live music. Visit little-flower. org for raffle tickets. Church of the Little Flower, 800 Stevenson Drive, 217-529-4511.







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History Cooks: Mrs. Lincoln's Southern Cooking

June 2, 10am. LLCC instructor chef Lakesha Jackson will demonstrate some of Mary Todd Lincoln's Southern favorites. Museum admission. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, 212 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

Legacy of Giving

June 2, 5pm-12am and June 3, 12pm-12am. Over 60 music acts on five stages. Two days of music, arts, crafts, kids' entertainment, food trucks and sporting events. All proceeds benefit local charities. logmusicfest.org. Old State Capitol Plaza, between Sixth and Fifth streets at Adams Street, 217-361-5678

Living & Dying: A Love Story

June 3, 1-3pm. The story of an elderly couple that utilizes medical aid in dying in accordance with Oregon's Death with Dignity Act. Free. Lincoln Library, 326 S. Seventh St., 217-836-3775.

8K Trail Race and Kids' Fun Run

June 3, 7:30-9:30am. Race over the scenic trails of the historic garden, along trails by Lake Springfield and through the Ostermeier Prairie Center grounds. Kids can join in a Fun Run for \$6. No on-site registration on race day. lincolnmemorialgarden.org. \$40. Lincoln Memorial Garden, 2301 E. Lake Shore Dr., 217-529-1111.

APL Donuts and Dogs 5K Fun Run

June 3, 9am-12pm. Benefits the animals of the Animal Protective League. You can also sponsor a Compass for Kids student to run or walk for \$30. Students will receive a race swag bag and event T-shirt. You will receive a personalized thank you letter from the student. How cool is that? \$30. Southwind Park, 4965 S. Second St., 217-544-7387.

An Evening of Magic

June 3, 7pm. Great magic, stunning illusions and hilarious comedy by a cast of internationally acclaimed magicians. Bring the whole family. Presented by the International Brotherhood of Magicians Ring 239. hcfta.org. \$20. Hoogland Center for the Arts, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

Open House

June 3, 1-4pm. Explore the natural beauty of central Illinois. Prairie tours, wetland tours, bird banding demo, bird walk and outdoor activities for the whole family. Nipper Wildlife Sanctuary, Loami, 9560 Withers Road, 217-553-3738.

Grit and Thriving in the Midst of Adversity

June 4, 4:45-6:30pm. Keynote speaker Austin Hatch will share lessons learned from unimaginable loss, his extensive health care journey and his road to recovery and triumph with the end goal to inspire others. Presented by Springfield Clinic and Central Illinois Customer Service Association. Call for registration info. President Abraham Lincoln

Hotel & Conference Center, 701 E. Adams, 217-528-7541.

Rumpke Mountain Boys

June 8, 6:30pm. Chickadee Sermon opens the show. Part of the Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series. Y Block, North of the Governor's Mansion, 217-544-1723.

Jackson Browne

June 9, 8-10pm. The singersongwriter has written and performed some of the most moving songs in popular music and has defined a genre of songwriting charged with honesty, emotion and personal politics. uispac.com. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

Tennessee Williams The Two-Character Play

June 9, 7:30pm. This play within a play is so compelling and affecting that it's difficult to tell where the play ends and real life begins. \$20. hcfta.org. Hoogland Center for

the Arts Club Room, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

Downtown Plaza Car Show and Summer Car Show

Sat., June 10, 8am-9pm. Judged car show including a pedal car class 8am-3pm. Door prizes, raffles, food vendors, crafts, swap meet and music. Car cruise starts a 5pm. All vehicles welcome and no entry fee. Free admission. Downtown Jacksonville, Central Park. 217-243-5678.

70 Years of Celebrating the Sound

June 10, 2-4pm. Sweet Adelines International has been performing in central Illinois for over 70 years. Enjoy songs the award-winning chorus, chorus quartets and ensembles have sung through the decades. A portion of proceeds will be donated to the nonprofit, Wooden It Be Lovely. \$18-\$20. Hoogland Center for the Arts LRS Theatre 1, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

Comic and toy Show

June 11, 10am-4pm. Toys, games, comics and cosplay all make for a geeky good time. Crowne Plaza Springfield, 3000 S. Dirksen Pkwy., \$5, 217-529-7777.

Kids' Adventure Week

June 11-15, 5:30-8pm. Join the Changemakers Lab where you can learn that everyone can make a difference. Visit the website or call for registration information. sugarcreek.org. Sugar Creek United Methodist Church, Chatham, 1022 New City Road, 217-483-2279.

Midwest Charity Horse Show

June 13-17, 10:30am, 6:30pm. Each year, the proceeds from this distinguished show are donated to a worthy cause. Coliseum, Illinois State Fairgrounds, 801 E. Sangamon Ave., 217-414-1900.

Juneteenth Presentation

June 14, 12:10-1pm. Learn more about African American history. centrallLseniors.org. Senior Services of Central Illinois, 701 W.







Father-daughter team treasures common bond



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From a young age, Bennie Strumpher had a passion for coins.

"I became interested in them when I was about 10 years old," he said. "My dad worked at a coal mine and he came home with a sock full of coins - they paid him in silver dollars. So he laid the coins out on the table. They were pretty and I fell in love with them."

From sorting through silver dollars in a bank vault as a child to traveling along the trade show circuit with his family as an adult, Strumpher's love affair with coins helped guide his life.

In 2007, he found a place for that love

to take root when he bought Decatur Coin and Jewelry, a business that has been located at104 N. Main St. in downtown Decatur since 1972.

Bennie Strumpher wasn't the only Strumpher with an affinity for coins. His daughter, Samantha, happily followed in his footsteps.

"I went to a lot of coin shows with my dad," she said. "I'd take coins around to dealers and sell them for him. I'd leave with a box full of coins and I'd come back with a hand full of checks or cash."

"She was really little, probably 10 or 12 then," Bennie Strumpher added.

And she's been by her father's side at Decatur Coin and Jewelry since



the very beginning, mostly handling the vintage costume jewelry customers bring

"I love being with my dad and experiencing with him daily the passion he has for this place, and that he's helped me



create, as well," she said.

Handling everything from coins, pocket watches and vintage paper money to costume, gold and silver jewelry, Bennie and Samantha believe it's their ethics and service that make their business stand out from others. "We're a 'pay-it-forward' organization," Bennie Strumpher said. "If you have something worth a lot of money, we're going to offer you a lot of money, about 90 percent on the dollar. We have paid out over 14 million dollars to people just like you in the past few years," Strumpher said.

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eyes. High eye appeal coins I sold just a few years ago for a couple of hundred dollars are worth thousands today," Bennie Strumpher said.

Bennie and Samantha are staying busy, enjoying their customers and enjoying their

"I don't have to work. I do this because I enjoy it," said Bennie Strumpher. "I could have retired a long time ago, but I've been doing this for 40 years, and I hope to keep doing it as long as my eyes and health are good." "I love what I do," Samantha Strumpher agreed. "I love all the jewelry, and the



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Mason St., 217-528-4035.

Sangamon County Fair

June 14-18, 7-12am. This is a classic Midwestern county fair featuring livestock shows, a queen contest, midway, music and top-notch entertainment. \$5-\$10. Sangamon County Fairgrounds, New Berlin, 316 W. Birch St., 217-488-2685.

Blackberry Smoke + Stoney

June 15, 7pm. On stage at the grandstand. sangcofair. com. \$30. Sangamon County Fairgrounds, New Berlin, 316 W. Birch St., 217-488-2685.

Juneteenth Celebration Weekend

June 15-19. A communitywide celebration with a variety of family friendly events, music and special displays at area museums. Find more information on the Juneteenth Inc. Springfield, IL Facebook page. 217-572-0234.

Saint Boogie Brass Band

6:30pm. The Black Ensemble will

open the show. Part of the Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series. Y Block, North of the Governor's Mansion, 217-544-1723.

The Lincolns of Springfield

June 15-16 and June 17-18. "The Love Story We Never Knew." Watch as a backwoods genius and a Southern belle, the most unlikely of couples, fall in love. Featuring professional Broadway actors and actresses, director, music director and choreographer. hcfta.org. \$22-\$62. Hoogland Center for the Arts Peggy Ryder Theatre, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

Steel Magnolias

June 15-18. Set in the fictional northwestern Louisiana parish of Chinquapin, the play opens at an in-home beauty parlor where a group of women regularly gather. The plot covers how the women cope with their conflicts over the years and how they remain friends. theatreinthepark.net. \$18. Theatre in the Park, Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site.

Petersburg, 15588 History Lane, 217-632-5440.

Respect

June 16. A biopic about the great Aretha Franklin. Bring lawn chairs or blankets. Part of the Movies in the Park series. Begins at sunset. Free. Comer Cox Park, Capitol Avenue and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, 544-1751.

Sangamon County Fair Rodeo

June 16, 7pm. Action-packed family entertainment. Powerful bucking stock, quality timed event cattle, competitive cowboys/ cowgirls and entertaining specialty acts. \$15. Sangamon County Fairgrounds, New Berlin, 316 W. Birch St., 217-488-2685.

Juneteenth

Sat., June 17, 11am-5pm.
Vendors, food trucks, local
organizations and a display
about notable Black Jacksonville
residents. Kids' corner and a
Prince and Princess program. From
1-3pm take a bus from the square
to the Jacksonville African American

History Museum. Jacksonvilleil.org. Downtown Jacksonville, Central Park. 217-243-5678.

Chicago

June 17, 8pm. Hailed as one of the most important bands in music since the dawn of the rock 'n' roll era. uispac.com. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

Crowd Pleasers!

June 17, 7pm. Featuring favorite games and loaded with lots of audience participation opportunities. Suitable for mature audiences (which makes it all the more fun). Presented by Capital City Improv. hcfta.org. \$15. Hoogland Center for the Arts Club Room, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

Henson Robinson Zoo Day

June 17, 10am-5pm. Help the zoo celebrate the city of Springfield's proclamation of Henson Robinson Zoo Day. All guests get in free. Henson Robinson Zoo, 1100 E. Lake Shore Dr., 217-585-1821.

Positively Summer Music Festival

June 17-18, 12pm. It's back for its third year and this popular music fest just keeps getting better. Positively 4th Street, Joshua Reilly, Me, Myself and Schy, Tom Irwin. Rhodes and Battles, The Down Homies and Randy Charles. Check the Facebook event for the full schedule. Sheedy Shores WineGarden, Loami, 10300 Johns Creek Road, 217-415-6866.

Summer Frolic

June 17, 10am-4pm. Celebrate frontier heritage with period-clothed interpreters demonstrating 19th century daily tasks throughout the historic village. lincolnsnewsalem. com. Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site, Petersburg, 15588 History Lane, 217-632-4000.

USA Boxing

June 17, 5pm. Springfield Cobras Boxing presents USA Olympic-style amateur boxing. \$20-\$60. BOS Center, 1 Convention Center Plaza, 800-745-3000.

Under the Sea

June 20, 10-11am. A part of Little Lincoln's Fireside Tales. Take a daring dive into the big, blue ocean. Enjoy books and activities that highlight the brilliant creatures and beautiful plants that live under the sea. Check out the virtual option on Thur., June 22 at 10am via Zoom. presidentlincoln. illinois.gov. Free, reservations required. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, 212 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

The Arc Band

June 22, 6:30pm. The Lovelorn will open the show. Part of the Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series. Y Block, North of the Governor's Mansion, 217-544-1723.

Bullets over Broadway -The Musical

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Rock of Ages

June 23-25, 8:30pm and June 28-July 1, 8:30pm. This Tony Award-nominated Broadway musical set on the Sunset Strip in the 1980s features the hits of artists such as Night Ranger, REO Speedwagon, Pat Benatar, Twisted Sister and more. \$12-22. The Muni, 815 E. Lake Dr., 217-793-6864.

Paint the Street

June 24, 11am-7pm. Purchase a 6' x 6' square of street on which to paint. Receive an event bag containing: paint supplies, including the water-soluble tempera paint, and goodies from sponsors. Sign up solo or with a group. springfieldart.org. \$35-\$45. Washington Street between Fifth and Sixth streets, 1 Old Capitol Plaza N, 217-523-2631.

Ice Cream Social Music Series June 25 and July 23, 5pm. Listen to the Land of Lincoln Chorus perform at this event presented by The Villas senior care community. Free ice cream will be available while supplies last. Free. Sherman Village Park Amphitheater, Sherman, 1200 Rail Fence Dr.

Pride Brunch

June 25, 10am-2pm. Hosted by the Adams' Family and the Phoenix Center. Food by Cafe Moxo. Adult beverages by Buzz Bomb Brewery and Clique. Drag show 11am-1pm, local LGBTQ+ vendors and information on the Phoenix Center's harmreduction program and LGBTQ+ services. Adams Family Patio, Adams Street between Fourth and Fifth streets, 217-528-5253.

Wonderland

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420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

Camp GOTR: Girls Have Heart June 26-29, 8:15am-12:15pm. Incoming third through fifth grade girls will build friendships in a fun and inclusive setting that includes interactive games, being physically active and expressing creativity through art and crafts and storytelling. \$135. Lincoln Land Community College, 5250 Shepherd Road, 217-726-9808.

GTOAA International ConventionJune 27-July 1. Hosted by Gateway GTO

by Gateway GTO Association. Crowne Plaza Springfield, 3000 S. Dirksen Pkwy., 800-589-2769.

BETTY

June 29, 6:30pm. UNCHAINED will open the show. Part of the Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series. Free. Y Block, North of the Governor's Mansion, 217-544-1723.

Memorial Health Championship

June 29-July 2. The path to the PGA Tour starts here. Event is on the Korn Ferry Tour. The four-day competition presented by LRS features more than 150 players from around the world vying for a total purse of \$1 million. Free. Panther Creek Country Club, 3001 Panther Creek Dr., 217-670-2910.





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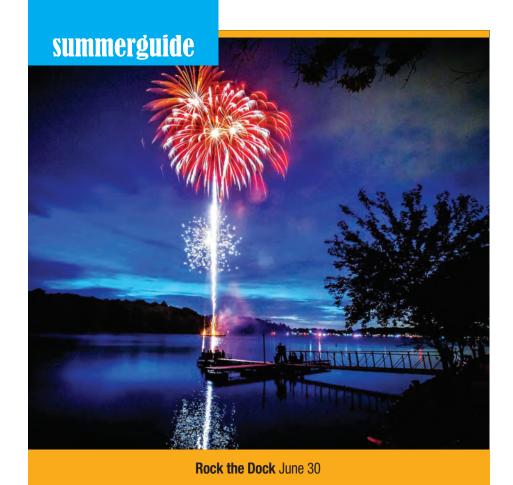
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July 1 and July 4, 10am-4pm. Get your 19th century patriot on. Period demonstrations and a reading of the Declaration of Independence each day. Free. lincolnsnewsalem.com Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site, Petersburg, 15588 History Lane, 217-632-4000.

Springfield Jaycees Capital City Celebration

July 1. Join in the festivities and fireworks in the capital city. Downtown Springfield,

Old State Capitol Plaza. springfieldjaycees.net.

Freedom Run 2023

July 4. Celebrate the Fourth with an early morning 5K that starts at the top of Centennial Park Hill. A virtual option is also offered. Check the Facebook event for more info. Centennial Park, Bunker Hill Road and Lenhart Road, 217-553-7695.

Knight's Fireworks Extravaganza

9:30pm. A popular fireworks show. Knight's Action Park, 1700 Knights Recreation Dr., 217-546-8881.

James Armstrong

July 6, 6:30pm. Chris Camp and The Blues Ambassadors will open the show. Part of the Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series. Free. Y Block, North of the Governor's Mansion, 217-544-1723.

Central Illinois Cultural Fest

July 8, 11am-3pm. Vendors, artists, entertainment, health screenings and an area for the kids, all in celebration of different cultures in our community. theboscenter.com. BOS Center, 1 Convention Center Plaza, 800-745-3000.

Women's Distance Festival

July 8, 8am. A race for women and girls of all ages, whether you are a competitive runner or just plan to stroll through the park. A virtual run is also offered. Kids' Fun Run is \$5. Hosted by the Springfield Road Runners Club. srrc.net. \$25. Washington Park, 1501 S. Grand Ave. W., 217-544-1751.

Morgan County Fair

July 11-July 17. Carnival, food, talent show, pageant, livestock, tractor pulls, rodeo and live entertainment lineup that includes Tyler Hubbard on Friday and Lee Brice on Saturday. 217-243-5678.

ABBAFAB

July 13, 8pm. A stunning tribute to a band that created some of the greatest music produced in the 1970s and 80s. hcfta.org. \$49. Hoogland Center for the Arts LRS Theatre 1, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

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July 14, 5-8pm. Celebrate visual art, written art and mashed-up art by kids, and masterpieces by adults. Creativity is the focus of DIM Art House, and you do not need to be a member to participate Visit the Facebook page for more information. DIM Art House, 319 Chatham Road.

Top Gun: Maverick

July 14. Tom Cruise returns in the role of naval aviator Maverick in this sequel to the 1986 film Top Gun. Bring lawn chairs or blankets. Part of the Movies in the Park series. Begins at sunset. Lincoln Park, Fifth Street and Sangamon Avenue, 217-544-1751.

Children's Day

July 15, 10am-4pm. Learn what kids did in central Illinois almost 200 years ago. Play 1830s games and join in some of the demonstrations of daily life. Gift bags given away while supplies last. lincolnsnewsalem.com. Donations welcome. Lincoln's

New Salem State Historic Site, Petersburg, 15588 History Lane, 217-632-4000.

Pitch, Hit and Run

July 15, 10am-2pm. This Official Skills Competition of MLB allows baseball and softball participants ages 7-14 the opportunity to advance through three levels of competition, culminating in the National Finals at the MLB World Series. springfieldpakrs.org. Free. Robin Roberts Stadium, 1415 N. Grand Ave. E., 217-553-4795.

La Sonora Dinimita

July 20, 6:30pm. Solista Gabriel will open the show. Part of the Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series. Free. Y Block, North of the Governor's Mansion, 217-544-1723.

The Merry Wives of Windsor

July 20-23. theatreinthepark. net. \$18-\$23. Theatre in the Park, Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site, Petersburg, 15588 History Lane, 217-632-5440.

Rumble Down Festival

July 20-23. It's back for another weekend of amazing progressive jamgrass bands and Grateful Dead-inspired music. The Kampground, Mechanicsburg, 11380 Darnell Road.

Chatham Sweet Corn Festival

July 21, 5-11:30pm and July 22, 10am-11:30pm. Live music, food, vendors and children's activities. A big shout out to the local cows'

contributions to that perennial favorite, the Illinois Championship Cow Chip Throw. Chatham Community Park, Chatham, 731 S. Main St.

Karen Hester as Dolly

July 22, 7pm. The first-place winner of Jimmy Fallon's Clash of the Cover Bands is America's #1 Dolly Parton tribute artist. hcfta. org. \$28-\$32. Hoogland Center for the Arts LRS Theatre 1, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

Kidzeum's 5th birthday

July 22, 9am-4pm. Activities, special guests and giveaways. Check the website for more information. Regular admission. kidzeum.org. Kidzeum of Health and Science Children's Museum, 412 E. Adams St., 217-971-4435.

Coin Show

July 23, 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 Dr., 217-523-7900.

Compass for Kids - Safari July 25, 6-8pm. Enjoy a free evening with Compass for Kids. Free zoo train rides, door prizes and activities, and free treats

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June 27 2:00 pm	Martika's Circus Show	June 17 3:00 pm	Build your own Terrarium *	June 10 2:00 pm	Civil Civics: Ray Long and "The House that Madigan Built"	
July 8 2:00 pm	The Tater Tots! Music and Movement	June 29 5:00 pm	Teen Scavenger Hunt	June 14 5:00 pm	Juneteenth Kickoff Event	
July 13 3:30 pm	The Amazing Mikayla Oz	July 1 2:00 pm	Make Your Own Kaleidoscope	June 27 2:00 pm	Martika's Circus Show	
July 18 2:00 pm	Wild Times Exotics Animal Show	July 12 6:00pm	Blackout Poetry	July 7 and Aug 11 6:30 pm	Arts in the Park! Paint with Community Artists	
July 28 2:00 pm	Summer Reading Wrap Up: Absolute Science Foam Blaster!		* Registration Required	July 21 6:30 pm	The CoLab: Podcasting 101	

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Robinson Zoo, 1100 E. Lake Shore Dr., 217-481-4651.

Imagination

July 25, 10-11am. Climb tall mountains, sail the high seas, ride a unicorn or eat purple peas. Step into a world of unique creation when you choose to use your imagination. Virtual option available via Zoom on Thur., July 27. visitspringfieldillinois.com. Free, registration required. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, 212 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

Beats Y Bateria

July 26, 6:30pm. The Lei Abouts will open the show. Part of the Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series. Free. Y Block, North of the Governor's Mansion, 217-544-1723.

Downhome Music Fest 2023

July 28, 5pm-12am and July 29, 2pm-12am. With local artists and performers, over 100 craft beers and fantastic food vendors, this is one of Springfield's most popular music festivals. Downtown Springfield, Seventh and Washington streets, 217-638-4769

Lake Springfield Triathlon -Sprint, Olympic, Half

July 29, 7am. Hosted by MSE Racing. Ten race options from the 5K run/walk to the Route 66 Relay. Registration fee varies. Lake Springfield Beach House, 100 Long Bay Dr., 217-529-7171.

AUGUST

Rylie Bourne

Aug. 3, 6:30pm. Marques Morel will open the show. Last show of the Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series. Free. Y Block, North of the Governor's Mansion, 217-544-1723.

Murder on the Orient Express

Aug. 3-6. Ten passengers board the luxurious Orient Express that's traveling from Istanbul to Western Europe. But after the train unexpectedly stops in the isolated, snow-swept mountains, only nine of them are still alive. theatreinthepark.

net. \$18-\$23. Theatre in the Park, Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site, Petersburg, 15588 History Lane, 217-632-5440.

Encanto

Aug. 4. In this computeranimated film, an extraordinary family lives hidden in the mountains of Colombia. Bring lawn chairs or blankets. Part of the Movies in the Park series. Begins at sunset. Veterans Memorial Pool, 2700 Ely St., 753-3030.

Powerlight Abe Lincoln Car Show Spectacular

Aug. 4, 6-9pm and Aug. 5, 8am-4pm. Super Cruise at 6pm Friday from Horace Mann in downtown Springfield to Cherry Hills Church. Car Show Spectacular on Saturday. Show includes actor Butch Patrick, known as Eddie Munster from *The Munsters* television show. Free for spectators. Cherry Hills Baptist Church, 2125 Woodside Road, 217-553-5271.

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Chix with Stix

Aug. 5. A women-only golf outing hosted by the Phoenix Center. You'll need three friends for this four-person scramble. Includes lunch and awards, fun and prizes. Lincoln Greens Golf Course, 700 E. Lake Shore Dr., 217-528-5253.

Illinois State Fair

Aug. 10-20. The Illinois State
Fair is a year's worth of music
entertainment, livestock
shows, competitions, auto
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and food all packed into 11
days. It's a compact but vibrant
bustle of activity from the
moment the gates open on
Preview Day until the lights go
down for the last time. Illinois

State Fairgrounds, 801 E. Sangamon Ave., 217-782-6661.

Peter Pan - A Children's Ballet

Aug. 12. The Springfield Dance Theatre presents the tale of the boy who wouldn't grow up in this one-hour ballet for children. \$25-\$30. The Legacy Theatre, 101 E. Lawrence, 800-838-3006.

Rumours: A Tribute to Fleetwood Mac

Aug. 12, 7-10pm. The sounds of Fleetwood Mac brought to life in ways that will take you back to those magical times. \$8-\$32. The Devon Lakeshore Amphitheater, Decatur, 620 E. Riverside Dr., 217-422-5911.

Genealogy Basics

Aug. 19, 2-3pm. Discover the adventure of your family history. Learn the fundamentals of building your family tree, basic genealogy terms and a few online resources. Free. Chatham Area Public Library, Chatham, 600 E. Spruce St., 217-483-2713

USAC Bettenhausen 100

Aug. 19, 2pm. \$25. Illinois State Fairgrounds, 801 E. Sangamon Ave., 217-899-9175.

31st annual Powerlight Christian Music Festival

Aug. 20, 3-9pm. Featuring four-time Grammy-Award winning band Petra at the Lincoln Stage. Free with paid fair admission. Illinois State Fairgrounds, 801 E. Sangamon Ave., 217-553-5271.

Abe's Amble

Aug. 20, 7:30am. On the last day of the Illinois State Fair, hundreds of runners from Illinois and surrounding states take to the streets covering the fairgrounds, Lincoln Park, Oak Ridge Cemetery and back. This challenging 10K course is USATF-certified and a lot of fun. Certified 5K course option available. Illinois State Fairgrounds, 801 E. Sangamon Ave., 217-782-6661.

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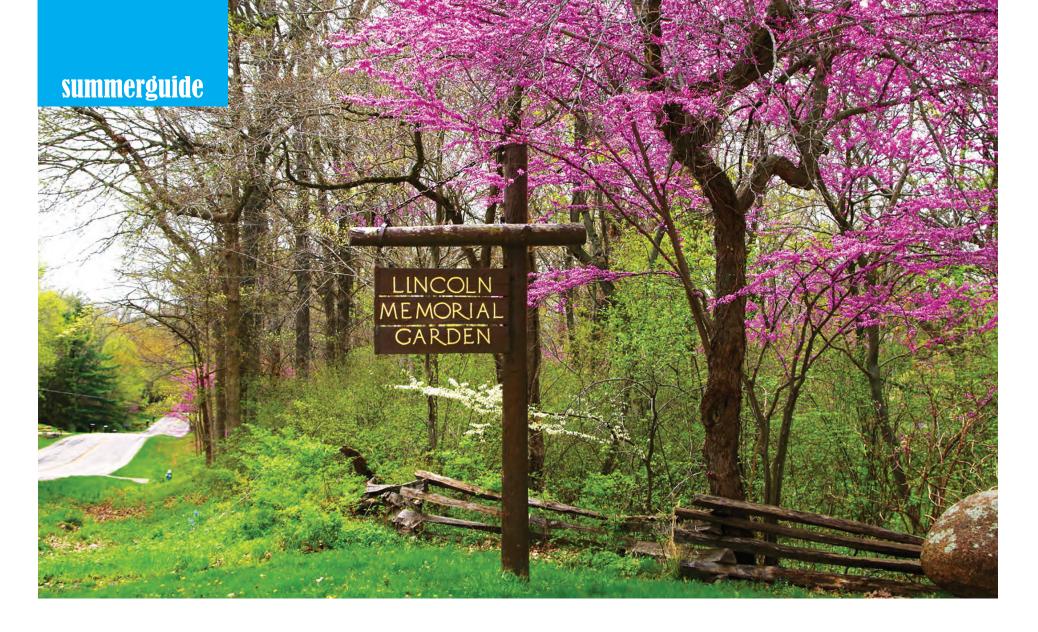
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Find an outdoor oasis

SUMMERGUIDE | Elizabeth Watson

"Live in the sunshine, swim in the sea, drink the wild air." –Ralph Waldo Emerson

Are you wishing for a chance to get outside this summer and enjoy the fresh breezes and sunny skies? Do you have kids or dogs to entertain? If you've tired of the familiar confines of your own backyard or neighborhood, maybe its time to explore some more adventurous options that are still close to home. Here are 10 excellent outdoor destinations within 50 miles of Springfield. See if you can cross them all off your list!

Adams Wildlife Sanctuary

2315 Clear Lake Ave., Springfield This 40-acre urban nature center owned by the Illinois Audubon Society features trails free to the public from dusk to dawn. You'll meander through examples of Illinois habitats: woodland, prairie and wetland. Dogs are welcome on a leash.

Carpenter Park

1 Carpenter Park Trail, Springfield
Get an up-close look at the Sangamon River
on river rock trails, picnic at the Historic Stone
Pavilion and enjoy the diverse plants and
animals protected by designation as an Illinois
Nature Preserve. Open 24 hours and dogs
welcome on a leash.

Henson Robinson Zoo

1100 E. Lake Shore Dr., Springfield

Lake Park

100 Long Bay Dr.
The combination of these two neighboring

destinations makes the perfect pair for young kids. After a day seeing the animals at the zoo, you'll find a grassy shoreline with pavilions, docks, shade trees and playground equipment.

Lewis Memorial Acres

399 S. Koke Mill Road, Springfield This 1.8-mile loop trail is both dog-friendly and mountain bike-friendly. It sits adjacent to the Sangamon Valley Trail and features both wooded landscapes and a large grassy field with playground equipment.

Lick Creek Wildlife Preserve

5600 Old Chatham Road, Springfield Located on the far western edge of Lake Springfield, between Springfield and Chatham, you'll find 340 acres set aside as a nature preserve in 1991. Easy trails lead through wooded areas and lakeside wetlands. Dogs welcome on leash.

Lincoln Memorial Garden

2301 E. Lake Shore Dr., Springfield Walk the trails through the woodlands and along the shore of Lake Springfield. Open from dawn to dusk. The nature center is free to the public and open 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Sunday. Preregister for the 8K trail race June 3 or Forest Therapy session June 24. □

Elizabeth Watson is a freelance writer and mother living in Springfield. She hopes to revisit some of these favorite destinations this summer.



Jim Edgar Panther Creek State Fish and Wildlife Area. PHOTO VIA FACEBOOK



Sangchris Lake State Park. PHOTO VIA FACEBOOK

Other Springfield-area destinations

Jim Edgar Panther Creek State Fish and Wildlife Area

10149 County Road 11, Chandlerville

Managed by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, these 16,550 acres offer mature forests, grassland, hill prairie, agricultural land, lakes, ponds, streams and more. Hiking, biking, hunting, fishing, camping and equestrian trails are all available.

Lake Lou Yaeger

4932 Beach House Trail, Litchfield

Water-sport enthusiasts can boat, fish, kayak or cool off at Milnot Beach. Hikers and nature lovers will enjoy Shoal Creek Conservation Area, 266 acres of high-diversity oak and hickory woodland. Equestrian and bike trails, camping grounds and playground equipment round out the multifaceted experience.

Rock Springs Nature Center

3939 Nearing Lane, Decatur

Check out live animals at the nature center, walk the trails, see the art galleries and borrow fishing equipment at no cost. If fishing's not your thing, borrow a free family exploration pack with nature guides, binoculars, enrichment activities, wildlife collecting tools and a seasonally-themed hiking map.

Sangchris Lake State Park

9898 Cascade Road, Rochester

This 3,022-acre reservoir managed by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources offers fishing, boating, camping and hunting. Check out the Hickory Point and Deer Run campgrounds for options to suit both primitive campers and those who prefer to have electrical hookups and bathrooms. Dogs welcome on leash.

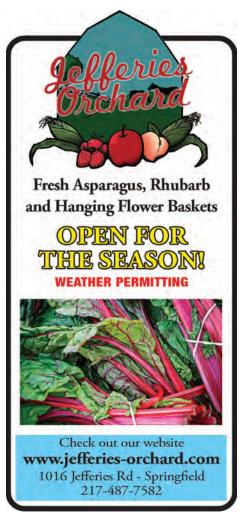




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Cycling safety

Whether you're a rider or driver, here's what you need to know

SUMMERGUIDE | Ashley Meyer

Cycling is an ideal way to enjoy the outdoors and get your heart pumping. Whether you're looking to bike to work or just take advantage of the sunshine, it's critical that everyone using the trails and roads works together for the safety of all

The Springfield Bicycle Club has been organizing group rides, teaching bicycle safety and advocating for cyclists for over four decades. It's an excellent resource for anyone looking to become more confident and comfortable on their bike, so I reached out to board members Lori Dale and Dr. Ted Sunder for their tips on how to stay safe on two wheels.

Plan ahead

The SBC has excellent bike maps of the Springfield area. Free print maps highlighting the various trail systems throughout the area, as well as bike lanes and recommended bike routes, are available at local bike shops. The SBC website features GPS links and PDF maps for trail, gravel and road routes.

Be visible

Ride with front and back lights on, even during the day. Blinking lights are even more noticeable. Bright-colored clothing is a must, especially when cycling during dawn or dusk.

Dress the part

Wearing a helmet that's properly fitted is vitally important no matter how much or how slow you ride. "People who wear helmets have something to protect," remarked Sunder, a retired pediatric neurologist. Dale advises that clothing should not be too loose, and sneakers with laces should be tucked in so they don't get stuck in the pedals.

Follow the rules of the road

Officially, a bike – whether or not it has a battery or motor – is a vehicle by law, and therefore you're required to follow all vehicular laws," explains Sunder. Ride in the same direction as traffic and as far to the right as is practical and safe. "You don't have to be off-riding in gravel," Sunder explains, "but you do need to keep to the right. Be especially aware of blind curves and hills – if you can't see what's on the other side, then you should be over to the right for safety. This applies on trails as well as the road," notes Sunder. "Riding two abreast is OK as long as it's safe and it's not impeding traffic, but in tight situations it's best to ride single file."

Cyclists should stop at all stop signs and lights. However, SBC program director Dale cautions that you can't always assume that the other cars at the intersection have seen you, so acute situational awareness is critical. Riding on sidewalks is dangerous, Dale points out, and riders should be aware of the car door zone and ride at least four feet away from parked cars.

On your left!

It's essential to communicate while cycling, whether you're on the road or the trail. Call your pass if you're in proximity to other cyclists and pedestrians. "If you're walking and someone comes up close behind you, and you're startled and make a sudden movement, it can end very badly for all involved," Sunder warns.

"You can never over-communicate when you're out there," says Dale. "If you're in a group ride, you can't see what's directly in front of you, so it's important for the folks in the front of the group to call out that there's a pothole or something." Cyclists on the road must use hand signals to communicate with other drivers.

Share the road

Drivers should not drive or stop in bike lanes at any point. When passing a cyclist, drivers should allow three feet of space at a minimum and change lanes, if possible. Cyclists have the same rights on the road that drivers do, and drivers should educate themselves on how to share the road respectfully and responsibly. Ride Illinois is a nonprofit organization that advocates for

the rights of cyclists in Illinois. Its website offers a wealth of information, including bike safety quizzes for kids and adults as well as drivers.

Ride with a group

In addition to regular weekly group rides, the SBC hosts the Sangamon Cycling Series once a month from May through August, leading up to its premier event in September. The series, which is \$25 for SBC members and \$30 for non-members, was designed to be a way to build fitness over the summer, connect with other cyclists and experience the range of bike-friendly trails and roads around the Springfield area. Starting off from a different location each month, the pre-planned routes range in distance and feature rest stops and water breaks. Participants can download the route onto a smartphone GPS and ride independently or ride with an SBC group leader. Information is available on the SBC website.

More resources:

spfldcycling.org

ilsos.gov/departments/drivers/traffic_safety bikepedsafety.html

rideillinois.org/









Robert Indiana's iconic LOVE sculpture is one of the many treasures at the Newfields museum in Indianapolis. Visitors to White River State Park in central Indianapolis can hire a gondolier for a cruise on the park's canal. The experience is popular for marriage proposals. The Indianapolis Children's Museum, which is touted as the world's largest, features life-size replicas of dinosaurs in one of its most popular exhibits. PHOTO COURESTY VISIT INDY

More to Indy than racing

SUMMERGUIDE | Mary Bohlen

The roar of the cars and crowds is an iconic start to summer for many as they flock to Indianapolis for the Indy 500 on Memorial Day weekend. But a 213-mile trip east on I-72 and I-74 yields many other delights, including dinosaurs, a gondola ride, LOVE and the spiciest appetizer around.

Nate Swick, senior communications manager with Visit Indy, says the Motor Speedway Museum inside the oval track can be fun even for those who aren't race groupies. Open all year, the museum offers a bus tour on the track, tons of old racecars and displays on the speedway's history. Memorial Day weekend may not be the best time to visit the museum, however, he warns.

Any time is good to experience one of the city's top draws, the five-story Children's Museum of Indianapolis, the world's largest. "It is a must-see for all ages," Swick says, with certain nights reserved for adults only. The museum is just north of downtown.

Dinosphere, with life-size replicas and a real dinosaur bone, is the most popular exhibit while a 7 ½-acre sports experience outside gets kids (and adults) moving, Swick says. A Minecraft exhibit also has been popular, but it closes at the end of May. A more serious section, The Power of Children,

celebrates inspiring children.

North of that museum is another worth a visit. Newfields combines the Indianapolis Museum of Art with a chance to experience nature on 152 acres. Swick calls it one of the top 10 art museums in the country. It is also home to Robert Indiana's original LOVE sculpture. The sculpture, spelling out the word in giant letters, used to sit outside but has been moved indoors to preserve it.

If you hurry, you can catch an interactive Monet and friends exhibit in the Newfields' Lume gallery before the show ends May 28. Guests enter a large room where Impressionist art is illuminated on the walls and floor, inviting you to sit, lie down or wander around to take it all in. Several other major exhibits open later in the summer and the grounds are alive with water features, woodlands, lakes and meadows, making the season a good time to visit.

Farther south is the 250-acre White River State Park, which hosts several attractions, including Indianapolis Zoo, Indiana State Museum, Eiteljorg Museum of American Indian and Western Art, NCAA Hall of Champions, an amphitheater for summer concerts and plenty of green space. The zoo is smaller than those in St. Louis and Brookfield but

can entertain for a few hours.

The Eiteljorg will feature its annual Indian Market and Festival June 24-25, and an ongoing Dorothea Lange photography exhibit runs through Aug. 6. "We are really lucky to have a museum like this. It is unique to the Midwest, as most like it are in the West," Swick notes.

He says his favorite part of the state park is the canal, where visitors can rent paddleboats, engage a gondolier to float along or walk, run or bike the path alongside the canal. Just north of the park, near the core of downtown, a new opportunity to enjoy the river opens in May. Several years of work to make the White River recreationally clean is paying off as this is the first year would-be paddleboarders and kayakers can rent gear to enjoy the water.

Another west-side park, Riverside, is the venue for summer Shakespeare performances in July and September.

All this activity is sure to make visitors hungry, and Swick says you may not want to leave town without trying one of the most popular dishes in Indianapolis, a breaded pork tenderloin sandwich. He says many restaurants vie for attention by serving the massive piece of meat on a small bun.

If you want to stake a claim for setting your taste buds on fire, order the St. Elmo shrimp cocktail, served as the only appetizer at St. Elmo Steak House, a downtown tradition since 1902. Swick says a Travel Channel writer deemed it the world's spiciest dish, owing largely to the horseradish, freshly shaved daily. A sister restaurant, Harry & Izzy's, also serves the appetizer and has branches on the north side and airport.

Fans know Indianapolis for sports other than motor racing, too. Lucas Oil Stadium, home to the NFL's Colts, looms large near I-70 downtown. The Pacers' NBA team and the WNBA Fever are hometown favorites. The NCAA Hall of Champions at White River might be a good summer stop while the pro teams are on break.

But come Memorial Day weekend, you can bet speed and sound dominate the city's attention. For more information, go to visitindy.com.

Mary Bohlen, a Springfield travel writer and former University Illinois Springfield journalism professor, attended the Indy 500 as a teenager and still remembers the noise from the cars and crowd.

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What's on your summer reading list?

SUMMERGUIDE | Jean Campbell

Many people look forward to summer to catch up on their reading. We asked several notable Springfield readers what books they plan to read this summer. The choices seem endless: from books that inspire with tales of courage or beautiful poetic musings to biographies and memoirs of historical figures and world leaders to novels that let us escape to other places, times and cultures. You can always find a good book!

Jennifer Gill, superintendent, Springfield School District 186

With a long career in education, Gill is most certainly a strong advocate for reading. Here are a few of her choices for summer reading:

- 1. *Thinking, Fast and Slow* by Daniel Kahneman, a world-famous psychologist and winner of the Nobel Prize in Economics, explains the two systems that drive the way we think.
- 2. *Surrender* by Bono has been described as a brilliant, funny, revealing autobiographythrough-music.
- 3. Building Thinking Classrooms by Peter Liljedahl offers a different take on how classroom work is organized, how tasks are assigned and how students learn and work together, leading to more "hard thinking" in the classroom.

Gus Gordon, executive director, Hoogland Center for the Arts

Understandably, Gordon enjoys books about theater, including biographies and autobiographies of performers, writers and directors. Two books on his list for this summer are:

- 1. *Chita: A Memoir* by Chita Rivera with Patrick Pacheco, about the legendary star of stage and screen.
- 2 *The Making of a Musical: Fiddler on the Roof* by Richard Altman and Mervyn Kaufman, chronicles the behind-the-scenes creation of this classic musical. Gordon is rereading the book, in part, because he is playing Tevye in the Springfield Muni's production of *Fiddler on the Roof* this summer.

Chandana Nandi, retired, community volunteer and 2023 Woman of Influence

Nandi has a busy summer schedule, but she plans to make time for these two books:



Nalo Mitchell recently began a new job as executive director of the Springfield and Central Illinois African American History Museum but still plans to find time to read several books this summer. PHOTO BY JEAN CAMPBELL

- 1. *Aavarana: The Veil* by S.L. Bhyrappa, an Indian author who writes about a young woman seeking to uncover India's history of religion, caste and creed.
- 2. Angela's Ashes by Irish American author Frank McCourt is a memoir of McCourt's childhood raised in a poor family in Limerick, Ireland.

Nandi says it was one of her late husband's favorite books.

Ethan Baima, student, Springfield High

Baima is an avid reader, and he is often asked by classmates to recommend books. Here are three

books on his list:

- 1. *Infinite Jest* by David Foster Wallace is an epic of more than 1,000 pages and is known for its wit and quirky plot.
- 2. The Virtue of Selfishness by Ayn Rand is Baima's first foray into philosophy, and he chose one of the most problematic thinkers of the 20th century.
- 3. *Libra* by Don DeLillo is a reimagined account of events leading up to John F. Kennedy's assassination.

Nalo Mitchell, executive director, Springfield and Central Illinois African American History Museum

Given her role, it's not surprising that Mitchell gravitates toward African American authors and stories. Here are books she plans to read:

- 1. *The Light We Carry* by Michelle Obama, who offers a blend of powerful stories and practical wisdom.
- 2. *King: A Life* by Jonathan Eig is a vivid biography of civil rights icon Martin Luther King, Jr.
- 3. *I Am Debra Lee is* a memoir by the former CEO of Black Entertainment Television (BET).

Angie Muhs, strategic communications manager, Memorial Health

As the former editor of *The State Journal-Register*, Muhs is a self-described bookworm. She has a big pile of books to read, but these are the ones she will start with:

- 1. *The Glass Hotel* by Emily St. John Mandel is a captivating story of how several disparate events intertwine.
- 2. Demon Copperfield by Barbara Kingsolver (one of Muhs' favorite authors) is about a boy born into poverty in Appalachia and his growth to manhood. It was recently awarded a Pulitzer Prize for fiction.
- 3. *How the Light Gets In* by Louise Penny is the ninth book in the Chief Inspector Garmache series of 18 mystery crime stories. □

Jean Campbell is a Springfield freelance writer who is finishing Becoming Mrs. Lewis by Patti Callahan, then will start The Hamilton Affair by Elizabeth Cobbs.





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Ways to keep kids entertained this summer

SUMMERGUIDE | Pamela Savage

I don't know about you, but in our house, we have been counting down the days until summer. I'm excited for summer's longer days, time with family and friends, wonderful sticky weather and piles and piles of farmers market produce. There is just something about the simplicity of no packed lunches, no homework in the evenings, no-cook meals and lax bedtimes that I am craving after keeping the family running all academic year.

I will admit to having some anxiety about how to spend all these spare hours with a house full of kids, but lucky for me, Springfield offers tons of great family options to keep your summer fun and exciting. So get out there and enjoy these warm and whimsical days, because in the words of John Mayer, "a little bit of summer is what the whole year's all about."

Public swimming pools and splash pads

Take your family swimming at either the Nelson Center or Veterans Memorial Pool. A four-person family summer pass to use at both pools is marked down to \$70 this year and works between Memorial Day and Labor Day. The Nelson Center Pool will be open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Veterans Memorial Pool will operate Thursday through Sunday from 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

Have littles that need to beat the heat earlier? There are free splash pads at Southwind and Comer Cox parks, and both will be open between 6 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. this summer.

Dinosaurs: Land of Fire and Ice exhibit at Kidzeum

Looking for an indoors option on a hot or



Doug Knight, owner of Knight's Action Park, now operates the Giant Slide at the Illinois State Fairgrounds and it will be open on Saturdays all summer leading up to the State Fair. Photo VIA FACEBOOK

rainy day this summer? Look no further than downtown Springfield's Kidzeum of Health and Science. The Kidzeum will open a brand-new dinosaur exhibit on May 27, just in time for summer learning and exploration. Children will come face-to-face with the prehistoric world and meet dinosaurs of all shapes and sizes. The

exhibit, created for children ages 3-10, will feature a variety of activities.

"Find Your Voice" summer reading program

If you have readers in your house (or want to keep your emerging students reading), this summer at the Lincoln library is all about

expressing yourself: use your voice to sing, podcast or act. Express yourself with art, crafts, technology, writing or drawing. Register online or in person at the library to learn more about upcoming events, track reading and become eligible for reading rewards.

Knight's Action Park and The Giant Slide

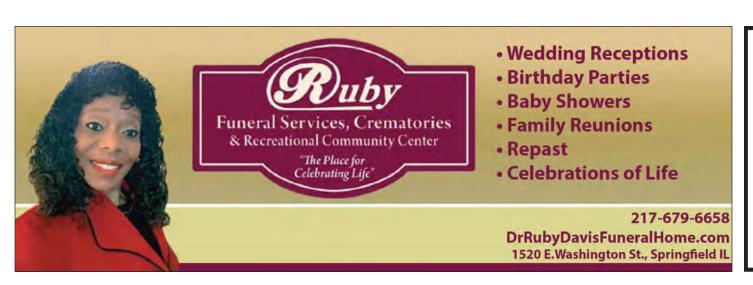
Knight's Action Park has been hosting Illinoisians for big summer fun since 1930, and this year will be no exception. The park will open over Memorial Day weekend and patrons will be able to enjoy the Splash Park, Big Wheel, Paratrooper, Fortress of Fun, mini-golf, driving range, batting cages and go-karts. Also open this summer is The Giant Slide at the Illinois State Fairgrounds. The Giant Slide is already open for the season and will operate on Saturdays all summer, leading up to the state fair in August.

Springfield's summer festivals and fairs

There are sure to be plenty of fun summer festivals happening during the next few months. A few that your family won't want to miss include the Springfield Art Association's Paint the Street event (Saturday, June 24), the International Carillon Festival at Washington Park (July 1-4) and The Great Lawn Kite Festival in Southwind Park (July 1-2) Lastly, the Illinois State Fair will run between Aug. 10-20.

No matter what you and your family get up to this summer, have a safe and relaxing time! \Box

Pamela Savage is a freelance writer in Springfield. She is looking forward to summer reading and tomato sandwiches.



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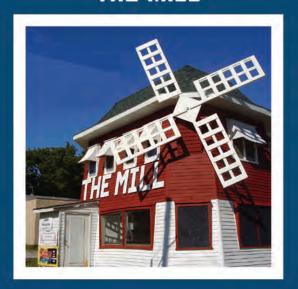
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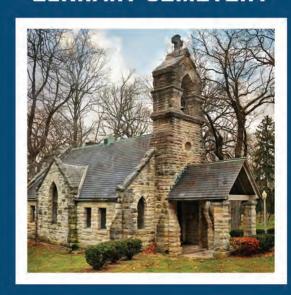
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Outdoor summer sounds

SUMMERGUIDE | Stacie Lewis

When Springfield has a good thing going, we know it and support it. Looking over the upcoming music for the summer, you will find many familiar festivals that we keep welcoming back because they're worth having again. Part of their appeal is the passion behind the music attraction.

Tom Beverly is one of the organizers of the Positively Summer Music Festival. He says that hosting a festival is an opportunity to choose a lineup of local musicians "who are admired," and in doing so, "It's a way for festival organizers to show our gratitude to the community and give them a unique, family-friendly festival where everyone can have a good time."

That seems to hold true for all the new festivals that we've enjoyed over the past few years. The **Legacy of Giving Music Festival** is a good example.

The LoG (June 2-3) was born of the popular SOHO's demise. Now in its sixth year, LoG still attracts big crowds because this volunteer-driven nonprofit knows how to make a good time happen. It books more than 60 local music acts for five stages downtown, then welcomes everyone for two days of art attractions, kids' entertainment and sporting events, and plenty of food trucks. After its operating costs are covered, it donates the proceeds to 10 local charities. Nice.

The **Positively Summer Music Festival** (June 17-18) also seems to be on the side that's winning. It's coming back for its third year out at Sheedy Shores WineGarden. If you're not familiar with that bucolic spot near Loami, you need to head there and check it out – music, wine and rolling green hills make for a nice music festival cocktail. This fest will set you up with two days of live music from some of the area's popular bands with great sounds like Positively 4th Street, Joshua Reilly, Me, Myself and Schy, Tom Irwin, Rhodes and Battles, The Down Homies and Randy Charles.

Another new central Illinois tradition is the **Rumble Down Festival** at The Kampground near Mechanicsburg (July 20-22), and we think that's just fine. It is bringing in some top-notch regional and local bands – some familiar and some sounds you've yet to discover. Pitch a tent and stay for the whole weekend. Your ears will thank you.

The following week you can jump right in with another fest, the Downhome Music Fest (July 28-29). Supporting locally grown, original live music is what it's all about for the Downhome. Plus there are plenty of craft beers – over 100 of them. That's a nice gift back to the community.



The Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series returns to the Y-block this year with free concerts every week from June 1-Aug. 3. $_{
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Not to edge into *IT Fall Guide* territory here, but the **Old Capitol Blues and BBQ** festival is scheduled for Aug. 25. Take its name at face value for all the good stuff you'll find there.

Sprinkled among all of these great festivals are the fresh regional music acts of the **Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series** running June 1 through Aug. 3. Past performances of this incredible series have included everything from powerhouse bluegrass bands to funk-inspired grooves with the lively sounds of bachata and reggae in between, and this year we're going to do some more pioneering into music genre frontiers.

Lilli Lewis Project kicks off the series with a sound that is hard to pinpoint, but is loaded with hints of jazz, soul and pop. Lewis makes it sound fresh with a light and easy sound on the piano keyboard and an effortless voice.

Call it bluegrass or call it jamgrass, the Rumpke Mountain Boys call it trashgrass. With their acoustic guitar, upright bass, mandolin and banjo bringing the solid melodies, just about the time you think you're listening to traditional bluegrass by fine young musicians, they unexpectedly trash the sound in an awesome pounding jam. Catch their show on June 8.

Playing together for over 20 years, The Ark Band will bring roots reggae, soca and a traditional calypso sound to the stage on June 22. A subgenre of reggae, roots reggae lyrics call up spirituality, social issues, poverty, oppression and religion. The Ark Band weaves those lyrics into soca – the soul of calypso – a fusion of calypso, reggae, chutney, Latin, zouk and West African rhythms.

On June 29, you'll get a dose of BETTY, the indie pop girl group whose mission, according

to their website, is to "use music and performance techniques to help others communicate and connect for personal power, social progress and peace."

Coming in from the West Coast on July 6 is James Armstrong, a soul and electric blues guitarist, singer and songwriter. With songs on the soundtracks of three films, this guy is solid with his smooth blues.

Kings and Associates is led by singer and lyricist Anji Portolesi and her husband, songwriter and bassist Steve Portolesi. The award-winning group from Australia will take the stage on July 13, bringing some blues, soul, funk and gospel with them.

Cumbia is a tropical-music style born in Colombia but popular throughout Latin America. The original La Sonora Dinamita orchestra, formed in 1960 in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, is credited with helping to popularize the genre. The band today still features a strong female vocalist, as it always has, and also has several male vocalists to accompany the 10-piece brass band. They'll be on stage July 20.

On July 27, Havana-born AfroQbano, Moldavan singer Ana Everling and global beat drummer Daniel Crane will come to the stage as Beats Y Bateria, conjuring a celebratory and nostalgic atmosphere with their global dance music.

Sometime you don't have to look too far to find what you're looking for, and that's what happened when the series wanted to wrap up with a little country. Some of you might know Rylie Bourne of the local duo LoneHollow. She'll be headlining the last Levitt AMP night on Aug. 3, right after another central Illinois local, Marques Morel, opens the show.

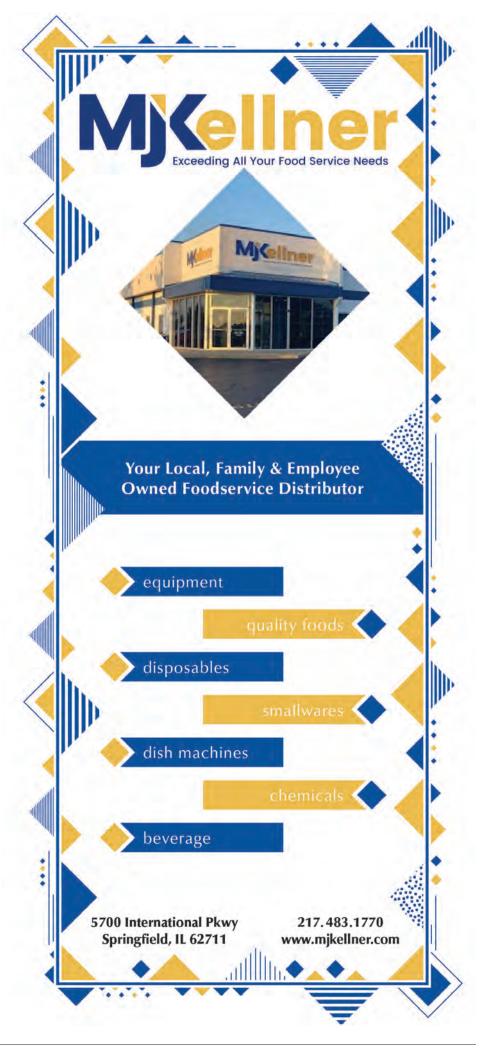
Over at the **Sangamon County Fair** in New Berlin, Southern-rock quintet Blackberry Smoke and American Texas country and red-dirt artist, Stoney LaRue, will be on stage on June 15. On June 17, you can catch Blacktop South, a blues, country and Southern rock and classic rock quintet that hails from Quincy, along with the local hot favorite, Lick Creek.

The **Illinois State Fair** is still working on its lineup, but so far it looks like they're covering all the favorites for country, rock. classic rock and rap, and they'll do a fine job of it, as usual.

That's a lot of great live music to fill one summer, but every week at least 50 more area performances are listed in the live music section of the *Illinois Times*. Keep your eye on it for updates on that Illinois State Fair lineup and other music on our horizon. □









The Muni opens this summer's season with Fiddler on the Roof, June 2-4 and 7-10. Photo VIA FACEBOOK

SUMMERGUIDE | Stacie Lewis

It is always interesting to see what is on the horizon in the theater world. In the summer, theaters sometimes lighten their fare with comedies and musicals, which tend to draw a different type of audience, filling the seats with more families and people who do not usually attend. Springfield's summer theater scene reflects that tradition.

The Legacy Theatre is definitely keeping a light note with *Bullets over Broadway the Musical*, a jukebox musical written by Woody Allen. Allen based the play on the 1994 film *Bullets over Broadway* that he wrote with Douglas McGrath. Set it 1929, it's the story of a young playwright whose first Broadway play is financed by a gangster who wants his dim-witted girlfriend to star as one of the leads. The show is loaded with laughs, wacky characters and the jazz and popular standards of that era. It will run June 23-25, July 5-9, July 12-16 and July 19-23.

Although it's not a theater production, it's still going to be fun when internationally acclaimed magicians present "An Evening of Magic," with stunning illusions and hilarious comedy on June 3 at the Hoogland Center for the Arts. The whole family will be entertained by the comedy magicians, stage magicians, comedy juggler and an enigmatist.

On June 9, Tennessee Williams' *The Two-Character Play* will be on stage in the Hoogland's Club Room. Taking a step in a different direction than the usual summer theater offerings, this is a

play within a play so compelling and affecting that it's difficult to tell where the play ends and real life begins, as the audience is confronted with the darker truths of what it is to be human.

The Hoogland will present a new musical on June 15-18. *The Lincolns of Springfield: The Love Story We Never Knew*, is based on a book written by Terrence Cranert, who also wrote the musical score and lyrics. The play takes a look at the relationship between the self-taught Lincoln, with his backwoods upbringing, and Mary Todd, who grew up in the midst of Lexington, Kentucky, aristocracy and received a private education. It follows their story from their first meeting to the end of the Civil War.

Our awesome local improv group, Capital City Improv, has been as lively as ever lately, including holding workshops which may provide us with future entertainment. On June 17, the group will take the stage at the Hoogland with *Crowd Pleasers!* Expect lots of opportunities for audience participation and all your favorite improv games. It will prove to be a fabulous night, especially since it's a show suitable only for mature audiences.

Of course, what could be better in the summer than an outdoor theater, and we are fortunate that two wonderful open-air theaters are at our doorstep.

The Muni is in full production mode and has some great shows lined up for us. The season starts

with *Fiddler on the Roof*, where the scene is set in the Pale of Settlement of Imperial Russia around 1905. The Broadway production of this play first opened in 1964, but it is based on a series of stories of Jewish life written between 1894 and 1914 by Sholem Aleichem. This musical leaves audiences with all the feels, as a good classic should. Catch the production on June 2-4 and June 7-10.

Rock of Ages will be on The Muni's stage June 23-25 and June 28-July 1. This Tony Awardnominated Broadway musical is set on the Sunset Strip in the 1980s and features the familiar hits of artists of that era such as Night Ranger, REO Speedwagon, Pat Benatar and Twisted Sister.

On July 14-17 and July 19-22, you can step into the enchanted world of Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*, an international sensation that has been produced in 37 countries and is based on the Academy Award-winning animated feature.

The Muni will close its season on Aug. 4-6 and Aug. 9-12 with some jammin' fun with *School of Rock – The Musical*, the award-winning smash hit by Andrew Lloyd Webber. The story follows Dewey Finn, a failed wannabe rock star who decides to earn some cash by posing as a substitute teacher at a prestigious prep school. There, he turns a class of straight-A students into a guitar-shredding, bass-slapping, mind-blowing rock band. This show is sure to be a family favorite.

Theatre in the Park's outdoor stage in Kelso

Hollow at Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site has several fun productions in store for us this summer. First, catch *Steel Magnolias* on June 15-18. Set in the fictional northwestern Louisiana parish of Chinquapin, the play opens at an in-home beauty parlor where a group of women regularly gather. The plot explores how the women cope with their conflicts over the years and, yet, remain friends.

On July 20-23, the eloquent words of the bard, William Shakespeare, will come to life with the comedy *The Merry Wives of Windsor*. Written around 1597, presumably at the request of England's Queen Elizabeth I, it features the character Sir John Falstaff, the rotund knight from Shakespeare's earlier works, *Henry IV, Part 1* and *Part 2*.

The theater will close its season on Aug. 3-6 with a stage adaptation of Agatha Christie's *Murder* on the *Orient Express*. An American tycoon is found dead in his cabin on the luxurious train that's traveling from Istanbul to Western Europe. The remaining passengers are depending on detective Hercule Poirot to identify the murderer before he or she kills again. This is the classic murder mystery that sets the bar high for any that follow.

August usually marks the end of the summer theater season, but even before the last curtain is closed, directors, actors and choreographers are working behind the scenes for the next season. Keep your eye on the *Illinois Times* calendar to see what productions are on the next horizon. \square

2023 Summer Event Calendar*

Please call ahead for specific information and additional activities or visit jacksonvilleil.org.

June 8 Central Park Market.

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Join this fun shopping event during the months of May-October on the first Thursday. Market Vendors, Food and Brick and Mortar shops stay open late for lots of shopping and fun!

27th Annual Downtown Plaza Car Show. Downtown Jacksonville, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

9th Annual Summer Cruise Nite. Morton Avenue, 5-9 p.m.

July 4 4th of July Parade.

July 11-17 Annual Morgan County Fair

Morgan County Fairgrounds. Carnival, food, talent show, pageant, livestock, tractor pulls, Rodeo, and live entertainment Friday night by Tyler Hubbard and Saturday night by Lee Brice.

Kiwanis Presents the Robbie McEvers Golf Tournament. Free tournament for junior golfers.

July 28-29

River Country Quilt Show

Jacksonville High School. See Central Illinois' most beautiful quilts as well as antique quilts bed turning and area vendors.

September 1-2 Prairieland Chautauqua Spirit of Morgan County 1928-2023 Nichols Park, Free event.

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My last meal

Bring me bone marrow on toast, my favorite thing to eat

FOOD | Peter Glatz

When I hang out with other chefs, as a conversation starter, I'll often ask them what's their favorite thing to eat, or what they'd choose for their last meal. One would expect the responses to be something complex, and, well... cheffy. Surprisingly, often the answers trend toward simple dishes. My current boss, Chef Sean Brock, says his favorite thing to eat is a good cheeseburger. My former boss, Gavin Kaysen of Spoon and Stable, admitted that his guilty pleasure food is a Rice Krispie bar. For Thomas Keller of The French Laundry, it's a simple roast chicken. For me, it's a smear of roasted beef bone marrow on a slice of toasted bread with a side of parsley salad.

There are few foods more decadent than beef bone marrow. Bone marrow is the soft fatty substance inside of long bones, such as the femur, the most marrow-rich bone in a cow's body. It has a delicate, slightly sweet, nutty flavor. Bone marrow is high in fat and protein and is extremely rich. Whenever I eat bone marrow on toasted bread, I can't help but think that it's the best thing I've ever eaten. Fossil records suggest that early man smashed the bones of their prey to get to it, and animals often go for the marrow before anything else.

The first time I tried bone marrow was about 15 years ago at Blue Ribbon Brasserie in New York City. Blue Ribbon is a tiny, always-crowded restaurant open until 4 a.m. It was a place where you could enjoy a late-night meal after an evening out, and spot celebrities like Jerry Seinfeld, Mariah Carey, Mick Jagger and Bill Clinton. It was also a popular after-hours hangout for chefs wanting to unwind after their own restaurants closed. In his early days, before his fall, Mario Batali was a late-night regular at the bar.

Because it was patronized by so many chefs, the Blue Ribbon Brasserie's menu could afford to be adventurous, and the restaurant developed a cult following. Their Beef Marrow with Oxtail Marmalade became a classic. Blue Ribbon's owner said: "Every notable chef for the last 20 however many years has come to the Blue Ribbon and eaten this dish." The dish consists of three or four two-inch cross-cut sections of center-cut



Left: Poached cross-cut marrow bones with oxtail marmalade Right:Bone marrow "boats" with parsley and caper salad. Photo by ann shaffer GLATZ

beef marrow bones topped with fried parsley, served with toasted bread, and oxtail marmalade, a thick and sweet condiment made with reduced port wine. You carefully scoop out the rich, softer-than-butter marrow, spread it on a piece of toast, and top it with a dollop of the marmalade.

Across the ocean in London, Fergus Henderson's St. James Restaurant opened around the same time as Blue Ribbon, and roasted bone marrow with a parsley caper salad became his signature dish. Like foie gras, which is also buttery, soft and fatty, bone marrow benefits from being paired with something acidic and salty. Henderson seasons his with coarse sea salt and serves it with parsley and caper salad to balance the richness. The late Anthony Bourdain once said, for his last bite before the grave, he would like to dine alone and eat only roast bone marrow with some parsley and caper salad at St. James.

Bone marrow has long been a part of many classic European dishes. Bone marrow is a main ingredient in Italian osso buco (braised veal shanks) and is often found in French pot-au-feu broth. In the 17th and 18th centuries, specially designed marrow

spoons were used to scoop marrow from the bones. Bone marrow fell out of fashion most of the last century, mostly due to peoples' concerns about eating fat. These concerns were exaggerated: bone marrow is mostly unsaturated fat and contains many beneficial nutrients.

Marrow bones used to be inexpensive when they were sold as dog treats or for making stock. Now that bone marrow has become trendy, prices have gone up a bit, but are still affordable. For the recipes that follow, you want to obtain uniform pieces cut from the center of the femur. These sections can be cut crosswise into two-inch or three-inch segments or cut in half lengthwise into "boats."

For something so rich and delicious, marrow bones are surprisingly quick and easy to cook. They can be gently poached or simply roasted in the oven. When roasted, bone marrow takes on a slight nuttiness. To add a little smoky flavor, the bones can be wrapped in foil and cooked over a hot barbecue.

For a more elegant presentation, if you plan, soaking the bones in cold salted water overnight or for a couple of days removes any blood and bleaches out the bones. Put the bones in a bowl and make enough brine (1 tablespoon kosher salt to each cup of water) to totally cover. Place in your refrigerator and change out the brine three times to achieve the cleanest bones.

How to cook beef marrow bones

Method 1: Poached

This is my preferred method for cooking crosscut marrow bones.

Rinse the bones and place them upright in a large saucepan. Cover with water and over medium heat, bring to a gentle simmer. Do not let the water come to a boil or the marrow will melt out of the bones. Periodically check the cooking progress by inserting a thin knife or cake tester into the center of the marrow, then remove and touch it to the inside of your wrist or lip. When the tester feels warm, remove and drain the bones.

Method 2: Roasted

This is my preferred method for cooking marrow bones that were halved lengthwise into "boats."

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F. Place the bones cut side up into a baking pan or sheet-tray. Roast for about 20 minutes, checking periodically. When fully cooked, the marrow should be "wobbly." If you overcook, the marrow will melt away.

Serving suggestions

Serve the marrow bones with grilled or toasted bread. Toasting or grilling your bread will keep the marrow from soaking through. Sprinkle the bones with a flaky sea salt such as Maldon. The flaky salt crystals will not dissolve as quickly as fine salt and will retain a nice crunch. Pair with something acidic to balance out the richness of the marrow. I like to serve them with a simple parsley salad.

Stem and chop a cupful of parsley. Thinly slice one or two shallots, depending on their size. Zest and juice a lemon. Combine the parsley with the shallots and lemon zest. Throw in a tablespoon of drained capers if you have them. Add two tablespoons of good-quality olive oil and one tablespoon of the lemon juice. Season to taste with salt and pepper, and more lemon juice, if needed.

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NOW PLAYING | Tom Irwin

If you're among those who count Memorial Day weekend as the official kickoff of the summer season, and I don't know why you wouldn't since most of America does, then welcome to the much-anticipated event. For us here at *Now Playing* central that means the outdoors venues all seem to be open for live music performances, and we couldn't be more happy and excited to see such a thing unfold. And the holiday weekend only reinforces this fanciful time with an extra day to behold the extreme level of quality and quantity that is our local music scene. So for now, let us proceed to the party.

Just as the silly saying goes that you can't say you've been drinking all day unless you start in the morning, you should not be able to say you've partied all weekend unless you start on a Thursday, so let's see how one might go about fulfilling this requirement. Right off the bat, I spy Chris Camp and His Blues Ambassadors obliging us with an appearance at the Curve Inn by blues-a-fying the known world, as well as the Pentagram String Band from nefarious Kansas City way satan-izing in a colorful blue-grassy style at Buzz Bomb. Thomas J. Beverly lands at Curate for an acoustic night, while Nate Cozadd hosts an open mic jam at Casey's Pub and the Sam & Kortney Open Mic continues at the Blue Grouch.

Friday night takes us on an adventure with Johnnie Owens buttering things up downtown at Terra Ferment and Angel Brown sweetening the sounds at Boone's, while Carl Bopp drops into Lime Street (on Saturday as well) and The Tangents play by el lago's edge at El Taco Guapo. For the full-on band experience, Sushi Roll takes the cake at the Blue Grouch, The Elderly Brothers don't act their age at Weebles, Brandy Kristin revives the rock at the Curve, yours truly and those Raouligans square off at George Rank's and Maui Grimm mows 'em down at Mowie's Cue. In a double header of unimagined possibilities to longtime friends of our music scene, Mike Burnett heads the Suns of Circumstance into Danenbergers, followed by the Rick Mari Band in what could and should be an epic night.

Yes, it's now Saturday on Memorial Day weekend, and I count 19 separate venues having live music with a couple showing



Georgia Rae fiddles around at Buzz Bomb this Saturday night.

more than one act booked. That's just wild and wooly, plus ridiculously wonderful. For a heavy-duty time, check out the Curve hosting Phantom Lordz (a locally-based Metallica tribute band) with special guests Cemetery Gatez and Master Bastard as the Main Gate presents Robot Army, Al'Maculate Conception, Blind Mind and Before the Fire Dies, while Weebles winds it up with Menace to Sobriety.

For something completely different, may I recommend the acoustically electronic fiddle stylings of Georgia Rae at Buzz Bomb or the rhapsodic sounds of Rhodes and Battles Trio at Harvest Market upstairs at the Mezz? Down south, Lick Creek runs into Motorhead's Motordome, The Cocktails drink up at the Blue Grouch, RoxSchool teaches the TRN Club a lesson and K-R Music (Kathy Kitchen & Rick Meyers) docks at Pier 55.

The Sunday before a holiday becomes a second Saturday as local big bands the Groove Daddies bring it to Danenbergers, Off the Wall bounces into Motorheads, UNCHAINED get turned loose at Weebles and Branded burns up the Curve as the Wolf Crick Boys howl with the wind at Mama Lee's Sandbar.







STAGE LINE-UPS

Friday, June 2nd

	Chick Fritz Main Stage Washington St.	Solution Printing Stage Washington St Side	MWFB Main Stage 5th Street	Alamo Stage 5th Street Side		Old State Capito Acoustic Stage
PM PM PM	Deep Lunar Blue 5:00-6:00			Grit & Groove 5:00-5:45	5:00 PM 5:15 PM 5:30 PM	Emily Perkins 5:00-5:45
PM PM	5:00-6:00	Blue Iris 6:00-6:45	The Saturday Brothers 5:45-6:30		5:45 PM 6:00 PM 6:15 PM	Tom & Geoff 5:45-6:30
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Saturday, June 3rd

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Live music within 40 miles of Springfield Dates, times and locations are subject to change, so we suggest calling before attending an event.

Attention bands, bars and musicians: submit your shows and photos online at www.illinoistimes.com or by email calendar@illinoistimes.com.

Thursday May 25

Sam and Kortney open mic The Blue Grouch Pub, 7-11pm

Pentagram String Band Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

Open mic jam with Nate Cozzad Casey's Pub, 7-10pm

Thomas J Beverly Curate, 6:30-9:30pm

Chris Camp and His Blues Ambassadors Curve Inn, 6-9pm

Jackpot Karaoke with Debbie

Cakes Curve Inn, 7-11pm

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

Friday May 26

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

The Blue Grouch Pub, 6pm

Angel Brown's Smooth N' Blue Band

Boone's, 5:30-7:30pm

Brandy Kristin Curve Inn, 6-10pm

Suns of Circumstance & Rick Mari Band

Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 7-10:30pm

Off the Wall

Daugherty's Pub, Chandlerville, 8-11pm

The Tangents

El Taco Guapo, 6-9pm

Tom Irwin and those Raouligans George Rank's, 8-11pm

Carl Bopp

Lime Street Cafe, 7-10pm

Karaoke with Jamie Lynn Main Gate Bar & Grill, 8pm-12am



UNCHAiNED plays at Weebles Bar & Grill Sunday at 5:30 p.m.

Maui Grimm

Mowie's Cue, 8-11pm

Karaoke with DJ Dan Suter Pier 55 Lounge, 8pm-12am

Johnny Owens Terra Ferment, 7-9pm

The Elderly Brothers Weebles Bar & Grill, 6:30-10:30pm

Saturday

May 27

The Roastineers

1st and 3rd Boutique and Wine Bar, Petersburg, 3-6pm

Georgia Rae

Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

Phantom Lordz, Cemetery Gatez, Master Bastard

Curve Inn, 6-10pm

The Antone Trio Funky Monkey, Taylorville, 3-6pm

Carl Bopp

Lime Street Cafe, 7-10pm

Robot Army, Al'Maculate Conception, + others

Main Gate Bar & Grill, 6pm-12am

Renegade Karaoke

Northern Lights Lounge, 8:30pm-12:30am

Thomas J Beverly Oogie and JJ's Bar, Chatham,

K-R Music Pier 55 Lounge, 8-11pm

Lick Creek

7-9:30pm

Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex, 8pm Acoustic open mic

Stella Coffee & Tea, 10am-12:30pm

The Cocktails

The Blue Grouch, 7-10pm

Roxschool

TRN Lake Club, Chatham, 5-9pm

Tom Irwin

VFW Post #755, 7-10pm

Doug Brant

Walnut Street Winery, Rochester, 5-8pm

Menace To Sobriety

Weebles Bar & Grill, 6:30-10:30pm

Sunday

May 28

2-5pm.

Acoustic Sundays
Ad Astra Wine Bar and Market.

The Tangents

Brookhills Golf Club, 3-6pm

Groove Daddies

Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 2-5pm

Live music

El Taco Guapo, 1-4pm.

Michael Burnett & Friends George Rank's, 5:01-9:19pm

Mama Lee's Sandbar, 4-7pm

Wolf Crick Boys

Off the Wall

Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex, 7-10pm

Al Kitchen

Trails End Saloon, Curran, 4-7pm

Confederate Railroad with Madd Hoss Jackson

Waters Edge Winery & Bistro, Jacksonville, 3-6pm

UNCHAINED

Weebles Bar & Grill, 5:30pm

Buckhart Road

Slaughterhouse Brewery Co., Auburn, 1-4pm

Monday

May 29
Rusty Wright

The Alamo, 7pm

Tuesday May 30

J.C.B. Entertainment Karaoke The Alibi, Rochester, 8pm-12am

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

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

Michael Burnett Sky Lounge, 6-8pm

Wednesday

May 31

Open mic Boone's, 7-10pm

Karaoke Clique, 9pm-1am

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

Crows Mill Pub, 8-11pm

Me, Myself & Schy Obed and Isaac's, 6-8pm

Rumble Around the Lake 2023 Prop Club, 6-9pm

Al Kitchen with Trish and Nino Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex, 6-9pm

Karaoke with Debbie Cakes Weebles Bar & Grill, 7-11pm

Karaoke

Whiskey Jack's Sports Bar, 7pm-12am.







Elijah Iles House Open Saturdays 12-4 p.m. through Oct. 14 624 S. Seventh St. ileshouse.org 217-492-5929

ARCHITECTURE | Home to one of Springfield's earliest settlers

Just a few minute's walk from the Lincoln Home National Historic Site is one of central Illinois' few Greek Revival residences and one of Springfield's oldest houses – the Elijah Iles House. Iles was one of the earliest settlers to the area, arriving here in 1821. He ran the first store in Sangamon County and helped persuade county officials to make Springfield the county seat. William Vigal built the house for Iles in 1832, and there is evidence that it was designed by the same architect who designed the Old State Capitol. Abraham Lincoln spent time in the house as a guest of Robert Irwin and enjoyed many card games in the front parlor. Because of the house's impressive architecture and rich history, it was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1978. Having been moved from two earlier locations, the house found its current home at the corner of Seventh and Cook streets in 2004. The architecture and period furnishings give a fascinating view of early Springfield living. The house is now open for the season with Saturday hours through Oct. 14.

THE CALENDAR

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■ Theater & Comedy

Nate Bargatze: The Be Funny Tour

May 31-June 1, 7-9pm. Hailing from Old Hickory, Tennessee, stand-up comedian Nate Bargatze is selling out shows around the world. \$39.75-\$69.75. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-206-6160.

■ Art & Architecture

Drawing studio

Tuesdays, 6:30-9:30pm. An opportunity to improve drawing skills, hand-eye coordination

and analytical skills in a studio setting. Work in the medium of your choice. All skill levels are welcome. Donations are welcome. The Pharmacy Gallery and Art Space, 623 E. Adams St., 801-810-9278.

Elijah Iles House Saturdays, 12-4pm. Through Oct. 14. Explore this wonderful example of early 19th century architecture and learn a part of Springfield's and the nation's history. New exhibits always on display. Elijah Iles House, 628 S. Seventh St.

Friday Nights at DIM

Fridays, 6-8pm. Artists get an opportunity to work on their projects while collaborating with professionals. Free. DIM Art House, 319 Chatham Road.

■ Auditions

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Tuesdays, 6-7pm. Through June 20. Faith-based theater group

forming to bring joy to those residing in our senior care facilities through drama. First productions this year will be of "Spreading the News" by Lady Gregory. Learn more and read from the script. ottonhillumc.org. Cotton Hill United Methodist Church, 5931 N. Cotton Hill Road, 217-891-6475.

■ Faith & Philosophy

Billy Sunday 1909 Revival Celebration

Sun., May 28, 4-6pm. Billy Sunday was the Billy Graham of his day. Thousands of people attended tabernacle tent meetings he held in Springfield in 1909. Join the celebration of those meetings on Pentecost Sunday. billysunday1909. org. Free. BOS Center, 1 Convention Center Plaza, 217-341-9782.

■ Holiday Observances

Memorial Day flag placement

Sat., May 27, 7-8am. Scouts,

veterans and volunteers will assemble to honor our veterans by placing flags on graves. The public is invited to participate. Camp Butler National Cemetery, 5063 Camp Butler Road, 217-502-2756.

Memorial Day Memories Fri., May 26, 11:30am-12:30pm. Enjoy a special performance by the Tip Top Tappers and a marvelous meal from Daily Bread. Bring a photo of a loved one in uniform and a memory to share. Senior Services of Central Illinois, 701 W. Mason St., 217-528-4035.

■ Children's Corner

African American History Museum Summer Camp

"Learn from the past. Create your own future." Visit the website or call for more information. Abundant Faith Christian Center, 2525 Taylor Ave., 217-391-6323

"Dinosaurs: Land of Fire and Ice"

Sat., May 27. Explore the Cretaceous Period (145 – 65 million years ago), the time when dinosaurs last lived on earth. Learn about dinosaur habitats to better understand how these mysterious animals lived. For ages 3 – 10, Open during normal museum hours through September 3. kidzeum.org. Kidzeum of Health and Science Children's Museum, 412 E. Adams St., 217-971-4435.

Little Lincoln's (Virtual) **Fireside Tales: Home**

Thu., May 25, 10-11am. Home means something a little different to each person. Home is more than a building - it's a feeling, a person, a smell, a place where we feel like we truly belong. Read stories about the different ways we experience home., talk about the little things that make home so special and celebrate the opening of the ALPLM's brand new exhibit, "Here I Have Lived: Home in Illinois.". Free. 217-785-

Paracord bracelet making for teens

Sat., May 27, 3-4pm. Hang out and make paracord bracelets. Open to anyone in grades 6-12. No registration required. lincolnlibrary.info. Free, Lincoln Library, 326 S. Seventh St., 217-753-4900.

■ Nature, Science & **Environmént**

Thursdays, 8-9am. Through May 25. Matt Hayes of the Illinois

Audubon Society will lead hikes to sight resident birds and migrants as they pass through the area. The sightings will be submitted to the eBird database of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. illinoisaudubon.org. Free. Adams Wildlife Sanctuary, 2315 E. Clear Lake Ave., 217-544-2473.

Forest Therapy

Sat., May 27, 9:30-11am. Deepen your sense of connection or relationship with nature with a 1.5- 2-hour, slow wander through nature. Preregistration required. lincolnmemorialgarden.org. Lincoln Memorial Garden, 2301 E. Lake Shore Dr., \$25-\$30.

Hands-on Hugelkultur Workshop

Sat., May 27, 10-11am. Learn the basics of building modified hugels (mounds) for gardening. Brief presentation followed by the work of building. Participate or bring a chair to sit and observe. Q&A throughout the workshop. Free. Enos Park Neighborhood Garden, 1022 N. Fifth St., 217-610-0720.

■ Lectures & Meetings

Al-Anon District 19 of Greater Springfield

Mondays-Saturdays. Ten meetings are held in the local area each week. Five are inperson and four are hybrid of in-person and via Zoom, One meeting is Zoom only. Call 217-891-2981 or visit spialanon.weebly.com for more information. Various locations, Springfield, 217-891-2981.

What's Happening to Local News?

Fri., May 26, 8-9am. A discussion of how the current news coverage in the Springfield area compares to coverage five to 10 years ago. Panelists are Randy Eccles of NPR Illinois, Fletcher Farrar of Illinois Times, Jason Piscia of the UIS PAR program and Michael Truett of WICS. Hosted by the Citizens Club of Springfield. Free and open to the public. Hoogland Center for the Arts Club Room, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

■ Bulletin Board

Cat adoptions

Fourth Saturday of every month, 12-3pm. Through Dec. 23. Forever Home Feline Ranch will have cats available for adoption. Opportunities are also available for fostering and volunteering. Donations welcome. Ace Hardware, 1600 Wabash Ave.,

217-787-5100.

Illinois Product Farmers Market

Thursdays, 3:30-7pm. Through Sep. 28. 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.

Living & Dying: A Love Story

Sat., June 3, 1-3pm. The story of an elderly couple that utilize medical aid in dving in accordance with Oregon's Death with Dignity Act. Free. Lincoln Library, 326 S. Seventh St., 217-836-3775.

■ Health & Fitness

Fitness Class

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 3:45-4:45pm. Through May 31. Springfield Park District has partnered with AARP and FitLot to offer circuit-based fitness classes. The outdoor fitness stations are designed to use your own body weight as resistance; making the them available to everyone regardless of age, gender or ability. Free. Lincoln Park, Fifth Street and Sangamon Avenue, 217-544-

Old Capitol Farmers Market

Wednesdays, 8am-12:30pm and Saturdays, 8am-12:30pm. Through Oct. 28. Sponsored by HSHS St. John's Hospital. Downtown, Fourth and Adams streets, 217-544-1723.

■ Sports

Capital City Biathlon & CCB 5K Sat., May 27, 8am. 5K run,

biathlon and team biathlon. Visit the website for registration info. capitalcitybiathlon.com.

Pickleball for beginners

Wednesdays, 5-7pm. Through Aug. 30. Paddles and balls provided. Just show up and have a good time. Provided by the Springfield Pickleball Club and Springfield Park District. Free. Iles Park, Sixth and Ash streets.

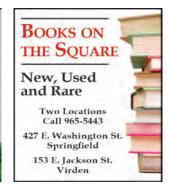
Springfield Legends Classic II

Sat., May 27, 6:30pm. Watch your favorite St. Louis Cardinals alum take on the former Chicago Cubs squad in this exciting seven-inning baseball exhibition game, \$30-\$35, Robin Roberts Stadium, 1415 N. Grand Ave. E., 217-679-3511.

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NOTICE OF SALE

Real Estate Foreclosure

TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES. INC..

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DAVITA R. WILLIAMS AKA DAVITA
WILLIAMS, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIM-ANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF DAVITA R. WILLIAMS AKA DAVITA WILLIAMS, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DAVITA R WILLIAMS AKA DAVITA WILLIAMS, DECEASED, MARY WILLIAMS, LAMAR J. MARTIN, ELIJAH L. ADAMS. ERICA L. MABRY AKA ERICA L. MABBY, AS GUARDIAN OF THE PERSON OF LAMAR J. MARTIN, ERICA L. MABRY AKA ERICA L. MABBY, AS GUARDIAN OF THE PERSON OF ELIJAH L. ADAMS AND WILLIAM P. BUTCHER, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF DAVITA R. WILLIAMS AKA DAVITA WIL-LIAMS, DECEASED,

Defendants. CASE NO. 22-FC-139 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2409 MAYFAIR DR. SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on May 3, 2023, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Permanent Index Number: 22-11.0-256-015 AKA 22-11-256-015 Commonly known as: 2409 Mayfair Dr., Springfield, IL 62703

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on June 13, 2023, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois The Judgment amount is \$153,379.58. 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 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

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

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)

The nurchaser 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 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 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLO-SURE 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.
TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES. INC.

Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549), Its Attorney Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549) HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC P.O. Box 740 Decatur, IL 62525

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NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT SS SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.,

TODD D. DREWENSKI, Defendant. CASE NO. 22-FC-216 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2008 STANHOPE 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 January 11, 2023, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Permanent Index Number: 14-24.0-107-Commonly known as: 2008 Stanhope Rd.

Springfield, IL 62702 will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on June 13, 2023, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois The Judgment amount is \$151,860.87. 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 calcu lated 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 assess ments 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

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 Attornev: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217)

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 com munity, 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 (a-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 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLO-SURE LAW. Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Bevers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that

TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.,

Rvan M. Beavers (#6335549). Its Attorney Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549) HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC 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

(IMPORTANT note: This is a Foreclosure Sale. This notice does not contain the legal description. Please place this in the Real Estate section on May 18, 25: Jun 1, 2023. This is the second of two notices for this case number.) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 7TH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD,

ILLINOIS

Marine Bank **PLAINTIFF**

Dennis J. Steiner; et. al. DEFENDANTS No. 2022FC000226 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 03/22/2023, the Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois will on June 27, 2023 at the hour of 9:00 AM at in the Second Floor Boardroom of the Sangamon County Courthouse 200 South 9th Street Springfield, IL 62701, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Sangamon and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

PIN 14-29.0-255-019 Improved with Single Family Home COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1600 Maureen Ct

Springfield, IL 62702 Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction: The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representa-

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

tion as to quality or quantity of title and

condition. The sale is further subject to

without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS"

(q)(4). If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER). YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS

AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSES-SION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road Suite 100 Burr Ridge II 60527 (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-22-04619.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS BANK OF SPRINGFIELD, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff.

JOHN J. LONG aka JOHN JAMES LONG, and UNKNOWN OWNERS, and NONRE-CORD CLAIMANTS.

Defendants. Case No. 2022-FC-194 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the court in the above entitled cause the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate

Suzanna Scherf BANK OF SPRINGFIELD 3400 Wabash Avenue Springfield, IL 62711 Telephone: (217) 529-5555 (B)The common address and other common descriptions, if any, of the real estate is:

228 Hawkeye Way, Springfield, Illinois 62707

(C)Parcel Number: 14-09.0-278-006 (D)Description of the improvement on the real estate is as follows: Single Family Residence
(E)The real estate will not be open for

inspection prior to sale. (F)The time and place of the sale is: 9:00 AM on June 6, 2023, in the County Board Chambers Room on the 2nd Floor at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South

9th Street, Springfield, Illinois. The terms of the sale are cash or certified funds at time of sale. The subject property is sold subject to all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, all general real estate taxes which have not vet become due and payable, with special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions of record, and existing leases if any, applicable zoning laws; property is sold "AS IS. WHERE IS, and with no warranties", and without any representation

further subject to confirmation by the BANK OF SPRINGFIELD, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff By: /s/ Brian D. Jones One of Its Attorneys SORLING NORTHRUP Brian D. Jones, of Counsel - ARDC

as to quality or quantity of the title and

without recourse to Plaintiff. The sale is

1 North Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 200 P. O. Box 5131 Springfield, IL 62705 Telephone: 217-544-1144 Fax: 217-522-3173 E-Mail: bdjones@sorlinglaw.com

CC: Cindy Jupp, Paralegal cljupp@sorlinglaw.com

NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SS SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY,

REGIONS BANK DBA REGIONS MORTGAGE, Plaintiff

JOHN D. VU, LINCOLNSHIRE HOMEOWN-ERS ASSOCIATION, INC. AND SORLING NORTHRUP, Defendants.

CASE NO. 22-FC-138 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2116 RENWICK DR.

SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704 PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on January 25, 2023, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Permanent Index Number: 22-18.0-431-009 aka 22-18-431-009

Commonly known as: 2116 Renwick Dr., Springfield, IL 62704 will be offered for sale and sold at public

vendue on June 27, 2023, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$228 472 52 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 Coun 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 assess ments 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 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 POSSES-SION 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. REGIONS BANK DBA REGIONS MORTGAGE, 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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Telephone: (217) 422-1719 Facsimile: (217) 422-1754 NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., Plaintiff.

SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY.

IDELLE WOODSON AND SAVANNAH
POINTE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, NFP,

CASE NO. 22-FC-218 PROPERTY ADDRESS 5408 CROMWELL PL SPRINGFIELD, IL 62711

COUNTY OF SANGAMON

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on January 25, 2023, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois Permanent Index Number: 21-26.0-252-003 a/k/a 21-26-252-003 Commonly known as: 5408 Cromwell PI, Springfield, IL 62711

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on June 27, 2023, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield.

The Judgment amount is \$432,743,25 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 accented 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 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 POSSES-SION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the estate of: Vernon S. Morris, Jr., Deceased Case No. 23-PR-158 Claim Notice

Notice is given of the death of Vernon S. Morris, Jr. Letters of Office were issued on May 18, 2023 to Patricia A. Upton as Executor, 1016 E. Lincoln, Riverton IL 62561. 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, Nov. 25, 2023. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Executor within 10 days after it has

Paul Palazzolo Clerk of the Circuit Court

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARIAM LUBA CARLS. Deceased NO. 2023-PR-183 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Mariam Luba Carls, Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on May 18, 2023, to Christy Gerst, 5340 N. Magnolia Avenue, Chicago, IL 60640, as Independent Executor, 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 28th day of November, 2023. 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 18th day of May, 2023. Gregory P. Sgro Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold,

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: THOMAS IRVAN DELANEY, Deceased IN PROBATE No. 2023-PR-000179 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Thomas Irvan Delaney, deceased. Letters of Office were issued on May 16. 2023, to Laura Lynn Morton, 6393 Old Salem Road, Springfield, IL, 62711, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Daniel E. Kepner, 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, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL, 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 25th day of November, 2023, 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 25th day of May, 2023. Laura Lynn Morton, Independent Executor By: /s/Daniel E. Kepner Daniel E. Kepner, her attorne BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Daniel E. Kepner Registration No. 6182842 205 S. Fifth Street, Suite 1000 Springfield, IL 62705-2459 Telephone: (217) 544-8491 Facsimile: (217) 241-3111 dkepner@bhslaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS Estate of GORDON H. FORD, Deceased.

NO. 2023-PR-186
CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of Gordon H. Ford of , Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on May 18, 2023, to Kurt H. Ford, 5882 Itaska St., St. Louis, Missouri 63109, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Randall W. Segatto, 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 November 27, 2023, 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 18th day of May, 2023. Randall W. Segatto - 06193211 Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP Springfield, IL 62705-0079 (217) 544-4868 rsegatto@barberlaw.com 340855

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DONNA M ROMINE, DECEASED. NO. 2023-PR-181 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS Notice is given of the death of DONNA M. ROMINE, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on May 17, 2023, to ELIZABETH FUCHS, 5512 Walsh Street, St. Louis, MO 63109. 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 supervision, unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk of the

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, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from May 25, 2023, being the date of first publication of this Notice and dany 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/serviceproviders.htmto 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 17th day of May. 2023. ELIZABETH FUCHS, Independent Administrator of the Estate of DONNA M. ROMINE, Deceased BY: DELGIORNO LAW OFFICE, LLC By: /s/ Anthony J. DelGiorno, Attorney DelGiorno Law Office, LLC Attorneys for Estate of DONNA M. ROMINE: Anthony J. DelGiorno, (IARDC No. 6277358) DelGIORNO LAW OFFICE, LLC 2160 S. Sixth St., Ste. D-1 Springfield, IL 62703 Tel 217-773-5337 Email: tony@delgiornolawoffice.com Service: service@delgiornolawoffice.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TERI KIRBY LOCKWOOD, DECEASED Case #2023-PR-182 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of TERI KIRBY LOCKWOOD. Letters of Office have been issued to STEVEN BERNARD LOCKWOOD, 404 Rand Road, Raleigh, NC 27603, 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

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 November 30, 2023, 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 16th day of May, 2023. Patrick J. 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 PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SIOBHAN MARY McCARTHY BYRD, DECEASED Case #2023-PR-184 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of SIOBHAN MARY McCARTHY BYRD. Letters of Office have been issued to MEGAN DeFRAIN, 1601 Wiggins Ave., Sprinafield. IL 62704 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, Spring field, IL 62701, or with the Independent Administrator, or both, on or before November 30, 2023, 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 16th day of May, 2023. Patrick J. 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 PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARJORIE L. CHIDSTER, DECEASED Case #2023-PR-187 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of MARJORIE L. CHIDSTER. Letters of Office have been issued to MARJORIE SUE ZALESKI, 631 Larch Lane, Iowa City, IA 52245, as Independent Executor, 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 Executor, or both, on or before Novembe 30, 2023, 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 16th day of May, 2023. Patrick J. Sheehan, III 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: Clarence R. Henry, Deceased Case No. 23-PR-172 Claim Notice Notice is given of the death of Clarence R Henry Letters of Office were issued on May 16, 2023 to Shelba J. Palmer and Richard A. Henry as executors 401 Wyatt St. P.O. Box 38, Franklin IL 62638 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 executors, on or before, Nov. 25, 2023. 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 executors within 10 days after it has been filed Paul Palazzolo Clerk of the Circuit Court

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS - IN IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: PRESLEY C. KERBER. Deceased. No. 2023-PR-177 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION — CLAIMS Notice is given of the death of PRESLEY C. KERBER, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on May 11, 2023, to BRIAN K. KERBER, 820 Old Tipton School Road, Sherman, Illinois 62684, as Independent Administrator of the Estate, whose attorney is Timothy M. Shay, of SHAY & ASSOCIATES, 1030 Durkin Drive Springfield, IL 62704. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street 4th Floor, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with a representative or both within six months from the date 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 days after it has been filed. The Estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under Section 28-4 (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.
Dated: 5/15/2023.
BRIAN K. KERBER,
Independent Administrator of the Estate,
Presley C. Kerber, Deceased
BY /s/Timothy M. Shay
Shay & Associates
1030 Durkin Drive
Springfield, IL 62704
Phone (217) 523-5900

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of DARLENE HUTCHINS, Deceased IN PROBATE NO. 2023-PR-0031 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of DARLENE HUTCHINS, deceased.
Letters of Office were issued on January 24, 2023 to Maggie Rae Moffitt, Executor 503 S Division St. Carterville II 62918 whose attorney is Robert A. Stuart, Jr., Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 S. 5th 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 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before November 26, 2023, 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 12th day of May, 2023. Robert A. Stuart. Jr. Registration No. 2761122 Brown, Hay & Stephens. LLP 205 S. 5th Street, Suite 1000 Springfield, IL 62701 (217) 544-8491

rstuart@bhslaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ETHEL L. STEPHENS, DECEASED Case #2023-PR-173 **DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE** Notice is given of the death of ETHEL L. STEPHENS. Letters of Office have been issued to MARILYN SUE REGAN, 3215 Telford Drive, Springfield, IL 62711, as Independent Executor, 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, Spring field, IL 62701, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before November 27, 2023, 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 10th day of May, 2023. Patrick J. Sheehan, III 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 PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAROLYN J. ISHAM, DECEASED Case #2023-PR-176 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of CAROLYN J. ISHAM. Letters of Office have been issued to AIMEE ISHAM, 2524 Lindsay Road, Springfield, IL 62704, 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, Spring field, IL 62701, or with the Independent Administrator, or both, on or before November 27, 2023, 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 10th day of May, 2023. 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 IN PROBATE RALPH A. SORDYL, SR., Deceased. No. 2023-PR-169 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of Ralph A. Sordyl, Sr., deceased. Letters of Office were issued on May 9, 2023, to Martin Scanlan and Eileen Sordyl (a/k/a Eileen Scanlan), as Independent Co-Executors, 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 18th day of November, 2023, 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 10th day of May, 2023. BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Hugh F. Drake (Registration No. 6269666) 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000 P.O. Box 2459 Springfield, IL 62705-2459

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of IN PROBATE DONNA F. GALLION Deceased. No.: 2023-PR-168 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

(217) 544-8491

ndrake@bhslaw.com

Notice is given to claimants of Donna F. Gallion, deceased. Letters of Office were issued on May 9, 2023, to Sandra K. Marcotte, as Independent Administrator, 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 18th day of November, 2023, 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 10th day of May, 2023. BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Hugh F. Drake (Registration No. 6269666)

205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000 P.O. Box 2459 Springfield, IL 62705-2459 (217) 544-8491 hdrake@bhslaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of IN PROBATE JEFFREY R. BRANHAM Deceased. No. 2023-PR-171 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of Jeffrey R. Branham, deceased. Letters of Office were issued on May 9, 2023, to Terri Branham, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is 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 Complex 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 18th day of November. 2023, 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 10th day of May, 2023. BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Brandon R. Clark Registration No. 6329553 205 S Fifth Street Suite 1000 P.O. Box 2459 Springfield, IL 62705-2459 (217) 544-8491 bclark@bhslaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS Estate of: GARY LARUE DAMBACHER Deceased. NO. 2023-PR-174 CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Gary Larue Dambacher of Sangamon County, Illinois Letters of Office were issued on May 10. 2023, to Linda Susan Kay Dambacher 12819 Sherman Rd., Buffalo, Illinois 62515, 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 November 17, 2023, 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 10th day of May. 2023 Bernard G. Segatto, III - 06190753 Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP P.O. Box 79 Springfield, IL 62705 (217) 544-4868 bsegatto@barberlaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the estate of:
Karen S. Pesicka, Deceased
Case No. 23-PR-156
Claim Notice
Notice is given of the death of Karen S.
Pesicka. Letters of Office were issued
on May 8, 2023 to Kari S. Mizer as
Administrator 712 Bruns Lane, Springfield,
IL 62703 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 Administrator, on or be fore, October 8 2023. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Executor within 10 days after it has been filed. Paul Palazzolo Clerk of the Circuit Court

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS Estate of: RENEE LOMELINO, NO. 2023-PR-162 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of Renee Lomelino of Sangamon County , Illinois Letters of Office were issued on May 8 2023, to Donna Slavens, 13 Knollwood Dr Sherman Illinois 62684 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 November 15, 2023, 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 8th day of May, 2023. Bernard G. Segatto, III - 06190753 Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP P.O. Box 79 Springfield, IL 62705 (217) 544-4868 bsegatto@barberlaw.com 341303

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF MARGARET CHILDS HEISSINGER Deceased. No. 2023 PR 151 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to creditors of the estate of the death of MARGARET CHILDS. HEISSINGER. Letters of Office were issued to CAITLIN O'CONNELL, whose address is 121 Meander Pike, Chatham, IL and JORDIN LEWIS, whose address is 304 Garvey Lane, Chatham, IL, as independent Co-Executors. 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 October 26, 2023, 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) davs after it has been filed. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To efile, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/ serviceproviders.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: April 25, 2023
Attorneys for Co-Executors:
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Lisa A. Petrilli, Attorney (6280865)
1 North Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 200
P.O. Box 5131
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of IN PROBATE DAVID R. STOVER, Deceased. No. 2023-PR-155 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of David R. Stover, Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on May 3. 2023, to Janet S. Stover, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Jeffery M. Wilday, 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 10th day of November, 2023, 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 May, 2023 BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Jeffery M. Wilday – Reg. No. 3015483 Brandon R. Clark – Reg. No. 6329553 205 S. Fifth Street, Suite 1000 PO Box 2459 Springfield, IL 62705-2459 (217) 544-8491 jwilday@bhslaw.com bclark@bhslaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the estate of: Gerald A. Cunningham, Sr., Deceased Case No. 2023W293 Claim Notice Notice is given of the death of Gerald A. Cunningham, Sr. Letters of Office were issued on May 2 2023 to Rick Walbert as Administrator 1782 CR 537, Tecumseh. MO 65760 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 Administrator, on or before, November 9, 2023. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Executor within 10 days after it has been filed. Paul Palazzolo Clerk of the Circuit Court

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BRIAN E. ECK, DECEASED Case #2023-PR-163 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of BRIAN E. ECK. Letters of Office have been issued to JANE F BUTTELL-FCK 224 N Koke Mill Road, Springfield, IL 62711, as Indenendent 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 November 20, 2023, 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 4th day of May, 2023. Patrick J. Sheehan, III 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 ESTATE OF JERRY L. OLSON Deceased Case No. 2023-PR-159 CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Jerry L. Olson. Letters of Office were issued on May 4, 2023 to Fred J. Schlosser, 1231 South Eighth Street, Springfield, IL, 62703, and Lance L. Olson, 211 Canterbury Road, Cantrall, IL 62625 as Co-Executors, and whose attorneys are GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL, 1231 South Eighth Street, Springfield, IL, 62703. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court Sangamon County Courthouse, Springfield, IL, 62701, or with the representative, or both. within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. DATED May 5, 2023. Gordon W. Gates GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL 1231 South Eighth Street Springfield, IL 62703

Telephone: (217) 522.9010

Facsimile: (217) 522.9020

Attorneys for the Estate

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BRENDA M. MOXLEY Deceased Case No.: 2023-PR-108 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of BRENDA M. MOXLEY. Letters of Office were issued on the 1st day of May, A.D., 2023, to APRIL AUSTIN, 2014 East Laurel, Springfield, Illinois, 62703, whose attorney 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 Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois, 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 1st day of May, A.D., 2023. Estate of BRENDA M. MOXLEY. Deceased. BY: /s/ R. Stephen Scott SCOTT & SCOTT, P.C., her Attorneys PREPARED BY:

R. Stephen Scott (02533391) SCOTT & SCOTT, P.C.

611 Fast Monroe Street Suite 200

Springfield, IL 62701 Telephone: (217) 753-8200 Facsimile: (217) 753-8206 Email: rss@scottnscottlaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of IN PROBATE BETTY J. EASLEY, Deceased. No. 2023-PR-157 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Betty J. Easley. Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on May 1, 2023, to John Casper, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is 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 6th day of November, 2023, 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 1st day of May, 2023 BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Brandon R. Clark Registration No. 6329553 205 S. Fifth Street, Suite 1000 PO Box 2459 Springfield, IL 62705-2459 (217) 544-8491 bclark@bhslaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of IN PROBATE SARALYN MARIE FAGBEMI. Deceased. No. 2023-PR-145 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Saralyn Marie Fagbemi, Deceased, Letters of Office were issued on April 19, 2023, to Ademola Fagbemi, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is 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 6th day of November, 2023, 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 1st day of May, 2023 BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Brandon R. Clark Registration No. 6329553 205 S. Fifth Street. Suite 1000 P.O. Box 2459 Springfield, IL 62705-2459 (217) 544-8491 bclark@bhslaw.com

Name Change
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the Petition of
Layla Marie Plump
For change of name to
Layla Marie Ray
Case No. 2023MR000140

PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that on
July 18, 2023 I will petition in said Court
praying for the change of name from
Layla Marie Plump to Layla Marie Ray
pursuant to the statute in such case made
and provided.
Dated: May 25, 2023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Jayden Ramon Aviles-Butcher For change of name to Jayden Ramon Aviles Case No. 2023MR000141 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on June 27, 2023 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Jayden Ramon Aviles-Butcher to Jayden Ramon Aviles pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: May 25, 2023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Darya Sofia Young For change of name to Dominic Nikolai Young Case No. 2023MR0000123 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on July 11, 2023 I will petition in said Court pray ing for the change of name from Darya Sofia Young, a minor to Dominic Nikolai Young pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: May 28, 2023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Brylan Connor Himmel For change of name to Brylan Connor Markusson Case No. 2023MR000042 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on June 27, 2023 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Brylan Connor Markusson pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Mikayla Thompson For change of name to Mickey Charles Christian Case No. 2023MR000042 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on August 1, 2023 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Mikayla Thompson to Mickey Charles Christian pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: May 18, 2023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Jacob Owen McConnell For change of name to Alexandria Rose River McConnell Case No. 2023MR000125 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on June 27, 2023 I will petition in said Court pray-

ing for the change of name from Jacob Owen McConnell to Alexandria Rose River McConnell pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: May 11, 2023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAI CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Sonya Katelynne Juliet McConnell For change of name to Elliot Samuel McConnell Case No. 2023MR000126 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on June 27, 2023 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Sonya Katelynne Juliet McConnell to Elliot Samuel McConnell pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: May 11, 2023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Sean Duff For change of name to Matilda Duff Case No. 2023MR000136 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on June 27, 2023 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Sean Duff to Matilda Duff pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: May 11, 2023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF PRETIUM TRS WAREHOUSE TRUST PLAINTIFF,

v.
TONIA F RILEY; WILLIAM E RILEY JR.;
UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD
CLAIMANTS;
DEFENDANTS.
CASE NO.: 2023FC000075
PROPERTY ADDRESS:
1320 E STANFORD AVE SPRINGFIELD,
IL 62703
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
The requisite affidavit for publication
having been filed, notice is hereby given

WILLIAM E RILEY JR. UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

that Plaintiff commenced this case in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County against you and other defendants, for foreclosure of a certain mortgage lien recorded against the real estate described as follows:

as follows: LOT 1154 HARVARD PARK THIRD PLAT. Common Address: 1320 E STANFORD AVE SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703 PIN: 22-10.0-251-022 Said mortgage was executed by WILLIAM E. RILEY JR AND TONIA E.

WILLIAM E. RILEY JR AND TONIA F. RILEY, as mortgagor(s) and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS BENEFICIARY, AS NOMINEE FOR STATE STREET MORTGAGE & LOAN, as mortgagee, on 6/4/2007 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois as Document Number 2007R20417.

attached to this Summons. To participate in the case, you MUST file an official document with the court within the time stated on this Summons called an "Appearance" and a document called an "Answer/Response". The Answer/Response is not required in small claims

or eviction cases unless ordered by the court. If you do not file an Appearance and Answer/Response on time, the court my decide the case without hearing from you, and you could be held in default and lose the case.

After you fill out the necessary documents, you need to electronically file (efile) them with the court. To e-file, you must create an account with an e-filing service provider. For more information, go to ilcourts.info/efiling. If you cannot e-file you can get an exemption that allows you to file in-person or by mail.

You may be charged filing fees, but if you cannot pay them, you can file an Application for Waiver of Court Fees.

It is possible that the court will allow you to attend the first court date in this case in-person or remotely by video or phone. Contact the Circuit Court Clerk's office or visit the Court's website to find out whether this is possible and, if so, how

Need heln? Call or text Illinois Court Heln at 833-411-1121 or go to ilcourthelp.gov for information about going to court, including how to fill our and file documents You can also get free legal information and legal referrals at illinoislegalaid. org. All documents referred to in this Summons can be found at ilcourts.info/ forms. Other documents may be available from your local Circuit Court Clerk's office or website.

¿Necesita avuda? Llame o envie un mansaje de texto a Illinois Court Help al 833-411-1121, o visite ilcourthelp.gov para obtener información sobra los casos de la corte y cómo completer y presenter formularios.

Unless you file your Appearance and Answer/Response in this case in the office of the clerk of this court by 6/19/2023 A JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE OR DECREEF BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED FOR IN THE PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT. Chad Lewis

6306439 Robertson Anschutz Schneid Crane & Partners, PLLC 205 N. Michigan Suite 810 Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: (561) 241-6901 E-mail: ILmail@raslg.com File: 22-086797 THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT

COLLECTOR 8051-932979

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH SANGAMON COUNTY ILLINOIS UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois banking corporation,

MATTHEW L. WILSON, a/k/a MAT-THEW WILSON, CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD

Defendants. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE Notice is given to defendants, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS of the following described real estate, that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action is now pending, and the day on or after which a default may be entered against said defendants is JUNE 19, 2023. The Plaintiff has certified that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action was filed on April 7, 2023, and is now pending. (i) The names of all plaintiffs and the case number are identified above.

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

(iii) The name of the title holder of record

Matthew L. Wilson, a/k/a Matthew Wilson (iv) A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: Lot 10 and the West Half of Lot 11 in

Block 2 of Payne's Grand Avenue Subdivi-

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax Identification Number: 22-04.0-205-005

22-04.0-205-006

(v) A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as

208 West Pine Street, Springfield, Illinois

(vi) An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: (A) Nature of Instrument: Mortgage. (B) Name of mortgagor: Matthew Wilson. (D) Name of mortgagee: United Community Bank.

(E) Date and place of recording: October 8, 2014 in the Recorder's Office of Sangamon County, Sangamon County, Illinois. (F) Identification of recording: Document Number 2014R26807.
UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois

banking corporation, Plaintiff Timothy J. Rigby (ARDC #6225930) Alexander S. Prillaman (ARDC #6339535) Hart Southworth & Witsman Suite 501, One North Old State Capitol

Plaza Springfield, Illinois 62701 Telephone: (217) 753-0055 trigby@hswnet.com aprillaman@hswnet.com 8051-932940

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, FIRST BANKERS TRUST COMPANY,

Plaintiff, Case No. 2022-FC-245 Laura L Miller, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

Defendant. NOTICE OF PENDENCYOF ACTION To: All Unknown Owners and Non-Record

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-206, 5/2-413, 5/15-1218, 5/15-150l(c) and 5/15-1502(c), to all Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants of the real estate described herein below of the Mortgage Foreclosure Complaint filed in the above-entitled case, which is now pending in the above-captioned court. The day on or after which a default may be entered against the above is June 19, 2023. The following information applies to said foreclosure proceeding:

Plaintiff First Bankers Trust Company National Association, has certified to the following information concerning this case:

The name of the Plaintiff and case number are identified above. The Court in which this case was brought

is identified above. The name of the title holder of record: Laura L. Miller.

The legal description of the real estate is sufficient to identify it with certainty: Legal Description: LOT THIRTY-FIVE (35) IN ERNST H.

HELMLE'S ADDITION TO RIDGELY, SITU-ATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY ILLINOIS 2. Real Property tax identification number: 14-22-226-026

The common address or description of the location of the real estate is 1117 Joles Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62702. Identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed:

Nature of Instrument: Mortgage Date of Mortgage: June 21, 2016 Names of Mortgagor(s): Laura L. Miller Name of Mortgagee: First Bankers Trust Company, N.A.

Date and place of recording of Mortgage: June 22, 2016 in the Recorder's Office of Sangamon County, Springfield, Illinois Identification of recording of Mortgage: Doc.#20 | 6R16190 Interest subject to the mortgage: Fee

62703 Telephone: (217) 522.9010 Facsimile: (217) 522,9020 Email: gordon@gwspc.com IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Dated May 10, 2023.

Attorneys at Law

Gordon W. Gates (#6192861)

GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL

1231 South Eighth Street Springfield, IL

SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, **PLAINTIFF**

UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND LEGATERS OF MARY E. MOORE; AMANDA MARIE BURRIS: MATTHEW ALLEN MOORE: MICHAEL DIAZ AS SPECIAL REPRESENTA-TIVE FOR MARY F MOORE: LINKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANT NO. 2023FC000020

PUBLICATION NOTICE

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you. UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND LEGATEES OF MARY E. MOORE; MATTHEW ALLEN MOORE: and LINKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant in the above entitled suit, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the 7th Judicial Circuit, Sangamon County, Illinois by the plaintiff against you and other defendant, praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows to LOT 4 IN BLOCK 1 OF SAMUEL CARPEN-TER'S SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. EXCEPT THE COAL AND OTHER MINERALS LINDERLYING THE SURFACE OF SAID LAND AND ALL RIGHTS AND FASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL AND MINERALS; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF SANGAMON, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

COMMON ADDRESS: 1715 N. 8th Street, Springfield, IL 62702

14-22.0-183-013

and which said mortgage was signed by MARY E. MOORE (DECEASED) and RICHARD E. MOORE (DECEASED), Mortgagors, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County as Document No. 2006R41674; and for such other relief prayed; that summons was duly issued out of the Circuit Court of Sangamon County against you as provided by law, and that the said suit is

now pending. NOW THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU, the said above defendant, file your answer to the Complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of this Court in Sangamon County in Room 405 at 200 S. Ninth St., Springfield, IL 62701 on or before June 19, 2023, default may be entered against you at any time after that day 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/serviceproviders.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/fag/gethelp.asp or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. Johnson, Blumberg & Associates, LLC 30 N. LaSalle St., Suite 3650

Chicago, Illinois 60602 Email: ilpleadings@johnsonblumberg.com Ph. 312-541-9710 / Fax 312-541-9711

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NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SS SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON) SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILL INOIS TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., Plaintiff.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DAVITA R. WILLIAMS AKA DAVITA WILLIAMS, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIM-ANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF DAVITA R WILLIAMS AKA DAVITA WILLIAMS, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DAVITA R. WILLIAMS AKA DAVITA WILLIAMS, DECEASED, MARY WILLIAMS, LAMAR J. MARTIN, ELIJAH L. ADAMS, ERICA L. MABRY AKA ERICA L. MABBY, AS GUARDIAN OF THE PERSON OF LAMAR J. MARTIN, ERICA L. MABRY AKA ERICA L. MABBY, AS GUARDIAN OF THE PERSON OF ELIJAH L. ADAMS AND WILLIAM P. BUTCHER, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF DAVITA R. WILLIAMS AKA DAVITA WIL-LIAMS. DECEASED.

Defendants. CASE NO. 22-FC-139 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2409 MAYFAIR DR. SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on May 3, 2023, the following described real estate to-wit-LOT 4 IN STRATFORD PLACE, PLAT NO. 4 RECORDED JANUARY 10, 1990 AS DOCU-

SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY. ILLINOIS. Permanent Index Number: 22-11.0-256-

015 AKA 22-11-256-015 Commonly known as: 2409 Mayfair Dr., Springfield, IL 62703

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on June 13, 2023, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield,

The Judgment amount is \$153 379 58 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 Ahandoned 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 inspec tion. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney:

Heavner, Bevers & 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 com munity, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgage 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 POSSES-SION, 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 TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES INC

Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549), Its Attorney Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC Rvan M. Beavers (#6335549) HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Attorneys at Law P.O. Box 740 Decatur II 62525 Send Notice/Pleadings to: Veronika J. Miles (#6313161) Email: Non-CookPleadings@hsbattys.com Telephone: (217) 422-1719

NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SS SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Facsimile: (217) 422-1754

8051-932708

TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., Plaintiff.

TODD D. DREWENSKI Defendant. CASE NO. 22-FC-216 PROPERTY ADDRESS 2008 STANHOPE 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 January 11, 2023, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot 616 of Charles S. Wanless' Northgate Addition 9th Plat. 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. Permanent Index Number: 14-24.0-107-005

Commonly known as: 2008 Stanhope Rd., Springfield, IL 62702

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on June 13, 2023, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$151,860.87. 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 assess ments 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 hid 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 (a-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 POSSES-SION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose TOWN AND 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 8051-932703

(IMPORTANT note: This is a Foreclosure Sale. This notice contains the legal description. Please place this in the legal notice section on May 18, 25: Jun 1, 2023. This is the first of two notices for this case number.) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS Marine Bank PLAINTIFF Dennis J. Steiner; et. al. DEFENDANTS No. 2022FC000226 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 03/22/2023, the Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois will on June 27, 2023 at the hour of 9:00 AM at in the Second Floor Boardroom of the Sangamon County Courthouse 200 South 9th Street Springfield, IL 62701, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale. County of Sangamon and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate: LOT 36 OF FOREST HILLS SURDIVISION

ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECODED JUNE 4, 1992 AS DOCU-MENT NUMBER 92023140. EXCEPT ALL COAL, MINERALS AND MINING RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED OF RECORD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY ILLINOS PIN 14-29.0-255-019

Improved with Single Family Home COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1600 Maureen Ct

Springfield, IL 62702 Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to

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

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(q-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information. IE YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER) YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSES-SION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis &

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS BANK OF SPRINGFIELD, an Illinois banking corporation.

Associates. P.C., 15W030 North Frontage

Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527,

(630) 794-9876. Please refer to file

number 14-22-04619.

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JOHN J. LONG aka JOHN JAMES LONG, and UNKNOWN OWNERS, and NONRE-CORD CLAIMANTS,

Defendants. Case No. 2022-FC-194 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the court in the above entitled cause the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to

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

Suzanna Scherf BANK OF SPRINGFIELD 3400 Wabash Avenue Springfield, IL 62711 Telephone: (217) 529-5555 (B)The common address and other common descriptions, if any, of the real estate is:

228 Hawkeye Way, Springfield, Illinois 62707

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

Lot 6 in Walnut Valley Addition, according to the plat thereof recorded August 17. 1977 in Book 23 at Page 10 as Document Number 390150.

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. Parcel Number:

14-09.0-278-006 (D)Description of the improvement on the real estate is as follows: Single Family Residence (E)The real estate will not be open for

inspection prior to sale. (F)The time and place of the sale is: 9:00 AM on June 6, 2023, in the County Board Chambers Room on the 2nd Floor at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South

9th Street, Springfield, Illinois. (G)The terms of the sale are cash or certified funds at time of sale.

(H)The subject property is sold subject to

all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, all general real estate taxes which have not yet become due and payable, with special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions of record, and existing leases, if any, applicable zoning laws; property is sold "AS IS. WHERE IS, and with no warranties", and without any representation as to quality or quantity of the title and without recourse to Plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. BANK OF SPRINGFIELD, an Illinois banking corporation. Plaintiff By: /s/ Brian D. Jones One of Its Attorneys SORLING NORTHRUP Brian D. Jones, of Counsel - ARDC #6286510 1 North Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 200 P 0 Box 5131 Springfield, IL 62705 Telephone: 217-544-1144 Fax: 217-522-3173

NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SS SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON) SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILL INOIS REGIONS BANK DBA REGIONS MORTGAGE,

F-Mail: hdiones@sorlinglaw.com

CC: Cindy Jupp, Paralegal

cliupp@sorlinglaw.com

8051-932614

JOHN D. VU, LINCOLNSHIRE HOMEOWN-ERS ASSOCIATION, INC. AND SORLING NORTHRUP Defendants.

CASE NO. 22-FC-138 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2116 RENWICK DR. SPRINGFIFI D II 62704

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on January 25, 2023, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot 128 in Lincolnshire Third Addition, according to the plat thereof recorded as Document Number 92-25595. 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 Permanent Index Number: 22-18.0-431-009 aka 22-18-431-009

Commonly known as: 2116 Renwick Dr., Springfield, IL 62704 will be offered for sale and sold at public

vendue on June 27, 2023, at 9:00 AM, in the Sandamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$228,472.52. 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 calcu lated 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 assess ments 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 Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney F YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSES-SION. 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.
REGIONS BANK DBA REGIONS MORTGAGE,

Dated By

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Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549), Its Attorney Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549) HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Attorneys at Law PO 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, TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., Plaintiff.

IDELLE WOODSON AND SAVANNAH POINTE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, NFP, CASE NO. 22-FC-218 PROPERTY ADDRESS 5408 CROMWELL PL SPRINGFIELD, IL 62711

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on January 25, 2023, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot 3 of Klemm's Savannah Pointe First Addition as shown on Plat recorded October 10, 2007 as Document No. 2007R38561.

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 Permanent Index Number: 21-26.0-252-003 a/k/a 21-26-252-003 Commonly known as: 5408 Cromwell PI, Springfield, IL 62711

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on June 27, 2023, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$432,743.25 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 Coun-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 assess ments 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.

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foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5 (q-1).

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Plaintiff, Dated 5/18/23 Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549), Its Attorney Of Heavner, Bevers & 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 8051-929930

Notice by Publication NOTICE BY PUBLICATION STORAGE UNIT

To enforce Self Storage Lien in default of payment of rent a private auction will he held on

Saturday June 3, 2023, at 9:00a.m. All auctions are CASH ONLY. 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. Any individual wanting to retain their unit will need to pay their entire balance on or before May 30, 2023. No personal checks will be accepted

Larry Hagman Unit 3-2 Christopher Hill Unit 3-35 Andrea Shimkus Unit 4-24 Zachary Horton Unit 4-42 Heather Hofman Unit 11-17 Timothy Nyari Unit 11-24 Michael Weller Unit 11-42 Cheryl Goza Smith Unit C-4 Tamatha Mercer Unit H-10 Tyler Seacrest Unit H-21 Terry Broida Unit 3-13

LEGAL NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RFP 2023-05 Review Appraisal Services

The Springfield Mass Transit District (DISTRICT) dba as Sangamon Mass Transit District is requesting proposals from qualified individuals, firms, or teams to provide the District with Review Appraisal Services. The scope of work is outlined in the Request for Proposal (RFP).

Proposals and all required attachments will be received in the District office at 928 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703-2497 in SEALED envelopes marked " RFP 2023-05 Review Appraisal Services, Attn. Ms. Erin Appenzelle LATER THAN 2:00 PM CENTRAL TIME. June 29, 2023. The RFP documents may he obtained from the District on or after May 25, 2023 by downloading the RFP from the District website (www.smtd. org). Interested firms may contact Erin Appenzeller at purchasing@smtd.org for

an electronic copy of the RFP.

Any contract resulting from these proposals is subject to financial assistance contracts between and/or among the District, the United States Department of Transportation, and the Illinois Department of Transportation. This project is funded, in full or in part, by the Illinois Department of Transportation, the United States Department of Transportation, and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

The District reserves the right to accept any proposal or any part or parts of any and all proposals. Acceptance of any proposal may be subject to concurrence by the Illinois Department of Transportation and the United States Department of Transportation.

Furthermore, the District, the United States Department of Transportation and the Illinois Department of Transportation reserve the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive irregularities therein, and all submitting Proposers must agree that such rejection shall be without liability on the part of the District, the Illinois Department of Transportation or the Federal Transit Administration for any penalty brought by a Proposer because of such rejections, nor shall the submitting Proposer seek any recourse of any kind against the District, the Illinois Departmen of Transportation or the Federal Transit Administration because of such rejections and the filing of any proposal in response to this solicitation shall constitute an agreement of the submitting Proposal to these conditions.

LEGAL NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RFP 2023-04 Land Appraisals

The Springfield Mass Transit District (DISTRICT) dba as Sangamon Mass Transit District is requesting proposals from qualified individuals, firms, or teams to provide the District with Land Appraisals. The scope of work is outlined in the Request for Proposal (RFP).

Proposals and all required attachments will be received in the District office at 928 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703-2497 in SEALED envelopes marked "RFP 2023-04 Land Appraisals, Attn. Ms. Erin Appenzeller," NO LATER THAN 2:00 PM CENTRAL TIME, June 29, 2023. The RFP documents may be obtained from the District on or after May 25, 2023 by downloading the RFP from the District website (www.smtd.org). Interested firms may contact Erin Appenzeller at purchasing@smtd.org for an electronic copy of the RFP.

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Administration because of such rejections and the filing of any proposal in response to this solicitation shall constitute an agreement of the submitting Proposal to these conditions.

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West for a public hearing and consideration proposing an amendment to Chapter 155, Section 155.106, of the Springfield Code pertaining to All Drive-Up Service Facilities provisions. The petitioner is the City of Springfield. Docket No. 2023-024

The petitioner is the City of Springfield Docket No. 2023-024
Bill To: City of Springfield, IL
Attn: Building and Zoning Department
300 S. 7th St Room 304
Springfield, IL 62701
(217) 789-2171
John.harris@springfield.il.us

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition. A petition for a Conditional Permitted Use pursuant to Sections: 155.033 (c) (7), Conditional Permitted Uses in the B-1, Highway Business Service District and 155.200, Taverns, and a variation of Section 155.200 (a) (2), Taverns, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance, Petitioner is lessee of tenant space 4117 Wabash Avenue and desires to operate a high-end tavern with the hours of operation not later than 1 a.m. at the property along with limited food service as an adjunct to Petitioner's restaurant operation in the same strip center. To be in compliance with the zoning code, petitioner respectfully request a CPU of Sections 155 031 (c) (7) and 155 200 Tayerns and a variance of 155.200 (a) (2) to allow a tavern with liquor sales by the drink on a zoning lot which is located within 100 feet from the nearest lot on which there is a residence Petitioner's request for CPU and variation is limited to tenant space 4117 Wabash Avenue, approximately 2,100 square feet. Improvements (or structures) located on

Improvements (or structures) located on said property is a single-story masonry and brick structure. The subject real estate is currently classified in the B-1, Highway Business Service District, Section 155.033.

Legally described as: Lot 6 in Cobblestone Estates 25th Addition. Situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois. (Limited to the leased property commonly known as 4117 Wabash, Springfield, Illinois of approximately 2,100 square feet. See Exhibits B and C.) PIN: 21-11.0-457-001 (part of)

The petitioner is Roots Latin Grill LLC, By It's Attorneys Delano Law Offices, LLC, Thomas C. Pavlik, Jr. of Counsel. The property is commonly known as 4117 Wabash Avenue, Springfield, Illinois. Docket No. 2023-023 John Harris

John Harris
Assistant Zoning Administrator
Bill To: DELANO LAW OFFICES, LLC
Attn: Thomas C. Pavlik, Jr
1 Southeast Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield, Illinois 62701
(217) 544-2703
tpavlik@delanolaw.com

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition for Reclassification of property from R-2 Single Family & Duplex Residence District, Section 155.017 to R-3 (b) General Residence District, Section 155.018; and for variation of Sections:

155.056, Minimum required lot area per dwelling unit; 155.114 (b), Regulations for the location of off-street parking facilities; 155.062 (c) (1), Permitted Obstructions in required yards: front yard; and 155,480 (i), Landscape, Screening, and Lighting Regulations: Transitional Buffer Yard Requirement and Landscaping, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Subject property contains a residential triplex dwelling unit located in the R-2, Single Family and Duplex Residence zoning district. Petitioners desire continue using the property as a residential triplex. To be in compliance with the zoning ordinance, petitioners respectfully request reclassification of property from R-2 to R-3 (b); and variances of: 155.056 to allow a 3-unit residential dwelling on a lot containing 6,420 square feet lot area instead of the 7,500 square feet lot area required; 155.114 (b) and 155.062 (c) (1) to allow parking spaces in a required front yard setback; and 155.480 (i) to allow the reduction of required transitional buffer vard of the west property line from 10 feet Improvements (or structures) located on said property is a residential triplex. Subiect Real Estate is currently classified in the R-2, Single Family & Duplex Residence District. Section 155.017. Legally described as: S 107' N 176 1/4' E 60' L4 HERNDON & EDWARDS ADDN OUT LOT. Tax I.D. No.: 14-28.0-253-025. The property is located at 827 N. Bond Street, Springfield, Illinois The petitioners are Paul E. Carev and Jacqueline A. Carey, by their Attorneys Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP, Matthew J. Cate of Counsel. Docket No. 2023-022 John Harris

Assistant Zoning Administrator

Attn: Matthew J. Cate

Springfield, IL 62705

(217) 544-4868

P.O. Box 79

Bill To: Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke &

matthewcate@barberlaw.com The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition. A petition for a Conditional Permitted Use Pursuant to Section 155,341 (a) & (c), Height and size regulations for off-premises signs; & 155.325 (a) & (c), Height of Signs; and a variance of Sections: 155.001, Definitions, Lot, 155.340 (c), (h), (i), (i) (2), (i) (3) & (j), General Provisions for Off-Premises Advertising Signs, 155.321 (a) , Non-illuminated signs; 155.322 (b), Illuminated Signs; 155.341 (a), Height and Size Regulations for Off-Premises Signs, 155,325 (a), Height of Signs, and 155.320 (a), (b), (d) Permitted accessory on- premise signs, of the City of Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Petitioner W C Media, Inc. currently maintains a single stacked, two faced, billboard structure (the "Existing Billboard Structure") at the property commonly known as 312 North St., containing two (2) faces each measuring ten (10) feet x forty (40) feet supported by a monopole structure and using halogen lighting and having a height of 50'. The signage on the Existing Billboard Structure is static in nature. The Billboard Structure at the Current Premises is a legal non-conforming use. Petitioner WC Media, Inc. proposes to relocate the Existing Billboard Structure from the Current Premises to the Proposed Premises 621 Stanford Avenue. Pursuant to a Contract to Purchase Easement entered into by and between Petitioner- Universal Properties of Illinois, Inc. and Stanford Plaza, LLC, Petitioner - Universal Proper ties of Illinois, Inc. shall, subject to W C Media's receipt of state and local permits necessary to operate a billboard business

with respect to the Proposed Premises. Pursuant to a Sign Location Lease entered into by and between Universal Properties of Illinois, Inc. and W. C. Media, Inc., W C Media, Inc. shall, subject to the receipt of state and local permits, lease the easements from Universal Properties of Illinois, Inc. for its billboard business. In relocation of the existing Billboard Structure to 621 Stanford Avenue, the features of the Existing Billboard Structure will remain intact except that Petitioner proposes that the Billboard Structure will be converted to an electronic digital display. The lighting will not spill over to adjoining properties or rights of way. Following the relocation of the Existing Billboard Structure from the Current Premises to the Proposed Premises, the number of sign faces and the size of the sign faces on the Billboard Structure will remain the same. However the Proposed Billboard Structure will be installed at the Proposed Premises so that the two (2) sign faces shall be back-toback and parallel with each other rather than in a "V" configuration as with the Existing Billboard Structure. To be in compliance with the zoning code, petitioners respectfully request a Conditional Permit ted Use of 155.341(a) and (c), to permit one (1) off-premise sign having two (2) electronic digital display faces back-toback and parallel with each other, facing easterly and westerly, and consisting of four hundred (400) square feet per sign instead of one hundred seventy-five (175) square feet per sign allowed by code, and a height of fifty (50) feet instead of thirtyfive (35) feet allowed by the code; and a Conditional Permitted Use of 155.325 (a) and (c) to grant a sign having a height of fifty (50) feet (exceeding thirty-five (35) feet but not exceeding fifty (50) feet); and variances of: Section 155.001, Definitions, Lot and Section 155 340(h) General Provisions for Off-Premise Advertising Signs, to permit the Proposed Premises to be used for both the existing commercial building and the Proposed Billboard Structure; Section 155.320(a), Permitted Accessory Off-Premise Signs, to permit more than one (1) pole or pylon sign (in the present case, one (1) pole and one (1) pylon sign) for the front yard of the zoning lot, instead of one (1) allowed by the code; Section 155.320(b), Permitted Accessory On-Premise Signs, to permit the Proposed Billboard Structure to be located within 100 feet of the ground sign currently located on the Proposed Premises (the same zoning lot); Section 155.320(d), Permitted Accessory On-Premises Signs, and Section 155.340(i) (2). General Provisions for Off-Premise Signs, to permit the base of the proposed monopole billboard structure to be devoid of landscaping; Section 155.321(a), Non illuminated Signs, and Section 155.322(b) Illuminated Signs to permit one (1) off-premise monopole billboard structure having two electronic digital display faces back-to-back and parallel with each other, with one (1) display face facing easterly and one (1) display face facing westerly consisting of four hundred (400) square feet of signage in addition to any allowable ground signage permitted under the code for the businesses use on the lot: Section 155.325(a). Height of Signs, to permit an off-premise sign in the I-1 District at a height of fifty (50) feet instead of forty (40) feet allowed; Section 155.340(c). General Provisions for Off-Premise Signs, to permit a setback from the property line of the Proposed Premises of less than fifteen (15) feet from the west property line (10.87 feet east of the west line of the Proposed Premises): Section I 55.340(i)(3), General Provisions for Off-Premise Signs, to permit the proposed monopole billboard structure to be devoid of decorative panels or bases: Section 155.340 (i) and (j), General Provisions for Off-Premise Signs, to allow for the

on the Proposed Premises, acquire certain

easements from Stanford Plaza, LLC.

issuance of one building permit to install one monopole billboard structure with two (2) off-premise electronic digital display faces back-to-back and parallel with each other, facing easterly and westerly on the Proposed Premises without surrender ing permits on a 4 for 1 basis; Section 155.341 (a), Height and Size Regulations for Off-Premise Signs, to permit an off-premise sign in the I-1 District and to permit a sign of 400 square feet instead of one hundred seventy-five (175) square feet per sign, and a height of fifty (50) feet instead of thirty-five (35) feet allowed Improvements (or Structures) located on said property is a commercial multi-tenant building, with an on premise sign. Subject Real Estate is currently classified in the I-1, Light Industrial District, Section Legally described as: Lot 8 of Wanless

Legally described as: Lot 8 of Wanless' lles Junction North First Additional Final Plat, according to the final plat recorded in the Recorder's Office of Sangamon County, Illinois, on August 4, 2006, as Document No. 2006R29998, located in CAB H-165A. Parcel ID Number: 22-09.0-180-019

The property is commonly known as 621 Stanford Avenue, Springfield, Illinois. The petitioners are Universal Properties of Illinois, Inc., as contingent grantee of easement interests in real estate owned by Stanford Plaza, LLC; W C Media, Inc., as contingent lessee of Universal Properties of Illinois, Inc.'s interest in real estate owned by Stanford Plaza, LLC; and joined by Stanford Plaza, LLC; and joined by Stanford Plaza, Inc, Owner; by Giffin Winning Cohen & Bodwes, P.C., (attorneys for W C Media, Inc., and Universal Properties of Illinois, Inc), Creighton Castle, and Jason Brokaw, of Counsel Docket No. 2023-021

John Harris Assistant Zoning Administrator Bill To: Giffin Winning Cohen & Bodewes, P.C.

Attn: Creighton Castle 900 Community Drive Springfield, Illinois 62703 (217) 525-1571 CrCastle@gwcblaw.com

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition to vary Section 155.056, Minimum Required Lot Area Per Dwelling Unit, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Petitioner desires to use existing improvements on subject property as a duplex, and to be in compliance with the zoning ordinance, respectfully requests a variance of 155.056 to allow use of a duplex on a lot containing 5,252 square feet of lot area instead of the 6,000 square feet required.

Improvements (or Structures) located on said property are a brick building consisting of two units and a paved lot in the rear portion of the property. The subject real estate is currently classified in the R -5 (b), General Residence & Office District Section 155.021.

Section 193.02: L 1 Spauldings Whittier Place Addn, situated in County of Sangamon and State of Illinois, commonly known as 1700 S. College Street, Springfield, Illinois, and further identified as Index # 22-04.0-253-001.

The subject property is commonly known as 1700 S. College Street, Springfield, Illinois.

The petitioner is Brick City LLC, Series 17, By Seth Molen
Docket No. 2023-020
John Harris
Assistant Zoning Administrator
Bill To: Brick City LLC
Attn: Seth Molen
231A E. Canedy Street
Springfield IL 62704
(217) 416-0655

SethMolen@yahoo.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC
Plaintiff.

Littita Robinson, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendant(s).

Defendant(s).

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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU: LITITIA ROBIN-SON, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RE-CORD CLAIMANTS; defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows: to wit:

Lot 1 and 2 in Block 5 in the Town of Thayer, except all coal, minerals and mining rights heretofore conveyed or reserved of record, situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

Commonly known as: 215 N Cleveland, Thayer, IL 62689 and which said mortgage was made by, Lititia Robinson, a single woman; Mortgagor(s), to Draper and Kramer Mortgage Corp.; Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois, as Document No. 2006R33408; and for other relief. UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise

file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this County, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701 on or before JUNE 19, 2023 A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT. RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, LLC

Attorneys for Plaintiff 120 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1140, Chicago, IL 60602 Phone: (312) 239-3432

Fax: (312) 284-4820 pleadings@rsmalaw.com File No:23IL00097-1

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that this firm may be deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained may be used for that purpose.

8051-932795

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff.

JAMES PRICHARD, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No.: 2023FC79
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE
Notice is given to defendants, UNKNOWN
OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,
of the following described real estate, that
the above entitled mortgage foreclosure
action is now pending, and the day on
or after which a default may be entered
against said defendants is JUNE 12, 2023.
The Plaintiff has certified that the above
entitled mortgage foreclosure action was
filed on April 6, 2023, and is now pending.
(i) The names of all plaintiffs and the case
number are identified above.
(ii) The court in which said action was

(ii) The court in which said action was brought is identified above. (iii) The name of the title holder of record

James Prichard. (iv) A legal description of the real estate

sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:
Lot 104 of Spaulding's Second Illinois
Watch Factory Addition.
Except all coal, minerals and mining rights heretofore conveyed or reserved of record.

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax Identification Number: 14-23.0-

(v) A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 1832 East Keys Avenue, Springfield, Illinois

(vi) An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: (A) Nature of Instrument: Mortgage (B) Date of mortgage: September 27, 2019

(C) Name of mortgagor: James Prichard. (D) Name of mortgagee: United Community Bank.

(E) Date and place of recording: September 27, 2019 in the Recorder's Office of Sangamon County, Sangamon County, Illinois.

(F) Identification of recording: Document Number 2019R20735. UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff Timothy J. Rigby (ARDC #6225930) Alexander S. Prillaman (ARDC #6339535) Hart, Southworth & Witsman Suite 501. One North Old State Capitol

Plaza Springfield, Illinois 62701 Telephone: (217) 753-0055 trigby@hswnet.com aprillaman@hswnet.com 8051-932732

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS 2007 BUICK LACROSSE

No. 22-MX-001323 22-AF-096 VIN # 1G4HD57267U200939 Donquairious J. Thombkins Emily Castleman

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the People of the State of Illinois, ex rel. Daniel K. Wright, State's Attorney for Sangamon County, filed the above-captioned matter on September

28th, 2022. UNLESS YOU file a verified answer with the State's Attorney of

County, Illinois at the Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Room

Springfield, Illinois, 62701, within 45 days of this publication, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT

OR DECREE MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR FORFEITURE OF THE ABOVE ASSETS PURSUANT TO ILLINOIS FORFEITURE LAW.

Paul Palazzolo Clerk of Court J.W. Pierceall Assistant State's Attorney 200 S. 9th Street, Room 402 Springfield, Illinois 62701 (217) 753-6690 Sangamoncounty.SAO.civil@sangamonil. gov

NOTICE UNDER ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT Notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of May, 2023, a Certificate of Ownership of Business was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Sangamon County, stating that: David Brett Rutherford intend to transact, or are transacting business in Sangamon County, State of Illinois, under the fictitious name to wit: BR Travel Agent - Key To The World Travel and that they are the sole owner(s) and proprietor(s) of said business, and the principle place of said business is located

401 Red Bud Lane, Auburn IL 62615

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, third floor, Municipal Center West, 300 S. Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois, a public hearing will be held to consider the annexation of property. The annexation consists of territory legally described as follows: Part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 34, Township 15 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Sangamon County, Illinois more particularly described as follows: Commencing at an iron pin found at the Northeast corner of the West Half of the East Half of the said Southwest Quarter of Section 34, recorded as Document Number 2009R53239 in the Sangamon County Recorder's Office; thence South 00 degrees 56 minutes 31 seconds East on the East line of said West Half, a distance of 1312.76 feet to an iron pin found at the point of beginning. From said point of beginning; thence South 00 degrees 57 minutes 39 seconds East, a distance of 155.25 feet to an iron pin set; thence South 88 degrees 18 minutes 21 seconds West, a distance of 139.93 feet to an iron pin set on the East right of way line of Lamplighter Lane: thence North 00 degrees 59 minutes 19 seconds West on said East right of way line, a distance of 99.54 feet to an iron pin found; thence North 66 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds East, a distance of 151.32 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 17, 828.595 square feet (0.409 acres), more or less.

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS Plaintiff.

MARCUS M. ROUSE, Defendant. NO. 2018-CF-61 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the People of the State of Illinois, ex rel. Daniel K. Wright, State's Attorney for Sangamon County, intends to dispose of property, being a black 2010 Lincoln MKT VIN 2LMHJ5FR8ABJ26609 pursuant to an order filed in the above captioned matter on September 3, 2020. Paul Palazzolo Clerk of Court Daniel Mosher Assistant State's Attorney 200 S. 9th Street, Room 402 Springfield, Illinois 62701

(217) 753-6690

Sounds the same

Edited by J. Reynolds - No. 791

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- 5. Taj Mahal's city
- 9. The Kennedys, e.g.
- 13. Engine sounds
- 15. What nomads do
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- writer 31. Disparage
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- 43. Liberals, with
- "the" 44. Top-rated
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- -friendly 66. Cold shower?

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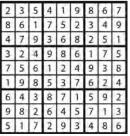
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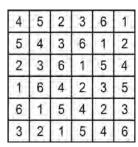
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Sudoku answers from #790



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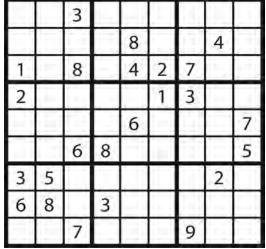
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Sudoku No. 791

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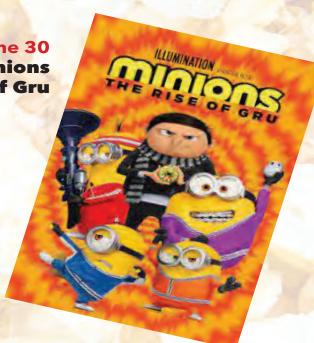
OUTDOOR MOVIE SERIES

1200 Rail Fence Road, Sherman, IL 62684



Friday, June 9
Goonies

Friday, June 30
Minions
Rise of Gru



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Friday, July 28
Hotel Transylvania:
Transformania





FREE Admission • FREE Popcorn • FREE Soft Drinks (Other concession items available)

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