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Let's form a committee

Madigan under fire

UPON FURTHER REVIEW | Bruce Rushton

"We're on a road to nowhere."
—Talking Heads

"Same as it ever was."
—Talking Heads

There are 200 million reasons why the state House of Representatives should convene a special investigative committee to probe House Speaker Michael Madigan, but only The Fifth matters.

That, no doubt, is what the speaker will invoke when and if he's put under oath to testify before the bipartisan committee set to have its first meeting Sept. 10. Republicans say they want to get to the bottom of a bribery scheme that energy giant ComEd has acknowledged by agreeing to pay a \$200 million fine and promising to cooperate with federal prosecutors who, by appearances, have reached the end of their line in efforts to prove that Madigan is a duck, given that he looks like one and quacks like one and swims like one.

State Rep. Chris Welch, D-Not In Charge, has been named chairman of this investigative committee by State Rep. Greg Harris, D-Also Not In Charge, who is putative leader of the Illinois State House of Representatives. I discovered this last week, when, perhaps due to vagaries of fortune, the speaker's reaction to the committee's formation arrived in my email box before the GOP's announcement of same was delivered. And the GOP got the ball rolling.

"Rather than focusing on ways to get us out of Donald Trump's mess, Republicans have spent their time and dollars trying to convince people I am to blame for the type of corruption and unethical conduct

Donald Trump emulates every day," the speaker thundered in a press release sent at taxpayer expense. "They have spent hundreds of millions of dollars trying to convince people I am the problem so they don't have to own up to their allegiance to Donald Trump and their political party."

That's a neener-neener-neener, given there are laws that say public officials aren't supposed to use public dollars to promote, or denigrate, political candidates. Pounding home the point was an email from Harris.

"This is a political process, not an action by law enforcement, and the rules are not the same as a court proceeding," Harris wrote in a statement sent by the same Democratic House staffer who'd emailed Madigan's statement 10 minutes earlier.

Neener, neener, neener. Catch me if you can.

It is a good thing for Madigan and his apologists that the rules are not the same as in court proceedings, because courts often involve juries. Prosecutors would love to get Madigan before a jury, but if they had sufficient evidence, we'd be on that path by now. And so we are left with truth-seekers at the Capitol, where Madigan has ruled so long that he deserves a statue, perhaps of him playing poker with George Ryan, Rod Blagojevich, Dan Walker and other politicians who've served time for being scoundrels. The speaker hasn't been convicted of a crime, true, so let him be the dealer, if he is not already. If this seems overly harsh, perhaps an artwork that shows Madigan dancing across lily pads floating atop a pond of doom to Candyland on the far shore.

The investigative committee's

formation, compelled by the GOP under House rules, is a political stunt, according to Madigan, who should know. It was the speaker who OK'd the formation of a committee, under the same House rules, that investigated former Rep. Derrick Smith, D-Ima Crook, whose House brethren expelled him in 2012, only to see him back in office a few months later when voters elected him. And when Smith — indicted for taking bribes to screw day care centers — ran for reelection in 2014, it was with Madigan's help, never mind pending charges, or that the speaker two years earlier had voted to expel him from the House. "We support incumbents," Madigan spokesman Steve Brown told the Chicago Sun-Times back then. Smith lost — even voters can't be fooled twice — and got a five-month prison sentence.

If nothing else, Madigan is an incumbent. He's also a lawyer, and so he knows better than to testify under penalty of perjury before a committee doomed to stalemate. Welch, whose district would elect Champ The Wonder Pug before it rejected an incumbent Democrat, has told Capitol News Illinois that Madigan can testify and otherwise participate "if he so chooses."

And that says everything we need to know. If Madigan's cronies haven't cracked under pressure from prosecutors, they aren't going to crack now, nor will Madigan, especially if he's allowed to say, "No thanks, I have a lunch date" if the committee invites him to testify. Subpoenas will be issued at the discretion of the committee chairman.

The best the GOP can hope for is that something new comes up that forces Madigan to the witness stand, where the speaker doubtless would invoke the Fifth Amendment and exercise his right to remain silent, given the pending criminal investigation. Footage of Madigan refusing to testify would be electoral gold for Republicans. And while they, and other citizens of Illinois, might be due their wish, they are not likely to get it.

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U.S., China inch towards armed conflict

GUESTWORK | Andrew Leonard

To say that relations between the U.S. and China are tense would be an understatement. Veiled threats, economic decoupling and geopolitical standoffs have in recent months become the norm between the world's traditional superpower and its emerging challenger. These heated exchanges are fertile grounds for an emerging Cold War and, arguably, armed conflict.

The restructuring of the status quo versus its preservation is the crux of the U.S.-Sino struggle, with an increasingly assertive China bent on imposing its will throughout East Asia. The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) has rallied Chinese nationalism to neutralize the autonomous aspirations of Hong Kong, Xinjiang, and the de facto independent state of Taiwan, where the CCP maintains sovereignty. On its western flank, Beijing lays claim to contested Himalayan regions which border India. Armed clashes with India over the Ladakh and Doklam regions have shown China is adopting a more belligerent approach to solving border disputes.

Another flashpoint of Chinese bellicosity is the South China Sea. To the chagrin of neighboring states, Beijing has made sweeping historical claims to much of this maritime region, which have been backed by construction of man-made islands, installation of military and surveillance outposts, and the fielding of a large fishing militia tasked with fending off foreign fishing and naval craft. Beijing has also flown military aircraft near Taiwan and the Diaoyu (Senkaku, in Japanese) Islands, which are hotly contested by the Republic of China (the Taiwanese government) and Japan.

These increasingly aggressive maneuvers have signaled China's growing impatience over territorial disputes and have drawn its regional neighbors and the U.S. into partnerships to contain Chinese expansion. One example is the Quadrilateral Alliance, an informal defensive alliance between the U.S., India, Australia and Japan which has in the last year conducted military drills in the Pacific and Indian oceans in a show of force against Beijing. The urgency of these regional disputes was amplified Aug. 6, when Prime Minister Scott Morrison, of Quad member Australia, declared that war with China is possible.

The U.S.'s aggressive preservation of its traditional power grip on the region can be attributed in part to President Trump's unconventional leadership and his commitment to a hyper-loyal constituent base. Trump understands that maintaining the allegiance of his supporters is essential

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Editor's note

A friend took serious exception to what I wrote in this space last week. "Do you even think much about what you write?" she asked me. I see your point, I said. I'll try to think more. "At least it's short," she said, "so maybe not many read it." Maybe some people read it *because* it's short, I said. "Oh I hope not," she said. "But I see your point. I read it." —Fletcher Farrar, editor and CEO

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Rick Lawrence was the original developer for the Booth-Ferguson building, a project that began in 2012 and received nearly \$1 million in TIF funding before stalling due to an expanded scope of work and financing difficulties. A New York real estate firm now owns the property but a recent request for an additional \$3.15 million in TIF was turned down by the city council, which cited concerns regarding Lawrence's ongoing involvement. FILE PHOTO BY DAVE HINE

Swimming Poem #7

Time: Recent late afternoon
 Place: Waterville, small VT village
 Persona: My friend Caroline
 Action: Caroline dripping sweat
 Nobody nearby, she strips clothing, leaps into river, enjoys a refreshing swim
 Further action: Caroline emails me knows I love to swim and will be amused titles her email "Emergency Swim"
 Mistaken action: Wrong email address
 Unexpected recipient: ER, Illinois hospital.
 Action: Swift callback from COVID nurses alerted by word "Emergency"
 Result: Error explained, nurses howl with laughter, tell Caroline she's made their day
 Conclusion: Friend calls me, shares story swears every word TRUE!

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LETTERS

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PERSONAL VENDETTA

Having already sunk nearly a million dollars into an unfinished project, it would be wise to finish up the Booth-Ferguson building ("Getting soaked," Sept. 3). Also, the entity that bought the unfinished building likely can afford to complete the project without TIF, but TIF is needed to make up the difference between non-union labor and the cost of local, union labor. I'm not knocking union labor, because I want everyone to make a good living, but the money has to come from somewhere.

The only thing the new owners were asking for on this building was the equivalent of a tax abatement. The money was coming from the projected increase in property taxes the improved building would provide. And to be good community stewards, this unrelated company was willing to pick up the debts that are owed by previous developer Rick Lawrence.

But we'd rather a personal vendetta against Lawrence stop the entire project, because we'd

rather go unpaid than allow someone to pay those debts on his behalf and "let him off the hook." It's sad that it works out like this in Springfield so often, but personal vendettas in this town run the show.

Steven Simpson-Black
 Via illinoistimes.com

NEED A THIRD PARTY

In 1991, I lived in the state of Louisiana. There was a race for governor where David Duke (Klansman) was the Republican candidate, and Edwin Edwards (labeled a crook) was the Democratic candidate. There were bumper stickers: "Vote for the Crook. It's Important," and "Vote for the Lizard, not the Wizard."

As Americans, we really have no choice anymore, and there is a need for a viable third party. I also believe that this is why we have such low voter turnout. We have to make it easier for third-party candidates. During this pandemic, many states made it easier for those who wanted to seek an office as a third-party candidate, needing only 10% of the signatures normally required to get on the ballot here in Illinois. Some took advantage of this. However, as a third-party candidate, you are hardly given any recognition, and if you are running for president, you are rarely allowed to join in the

national debates. This is not fair. The system needs to change.

Now in the upcoming election, we are faced with the same two parties, each promising to do better for our nation. In order to really make our vote count, we have to vote for the lesser of two evils. Why? Because there is no other viable choice, and we need our vote to count. That is what I did in Louisiana in 1991. By the way, I'm an African American male. Can you guess who I voted for?
 Gary Pierce
 Springfield

WORDS MATTER

In the Sept. 3 "Editor's note," you strive to make the point that because Springfield, Illinois, and Kenosha, Wisconsin, are similar in size, "it's easy to imagine us in Kenosha's place." Really? I found it troubling and irresponsible of you to suggest that Kenosha might be coming to Springfield. Are you inviting trouble? You named the Springfield police, Springfield Black Lives Matter movement, violent looters, nonviolent protesters and (not to be left out) President Donald Trump to be likely to reprise Kenosha. And, so close to Nov. 3. Your words do matter and can be an unintended harbinger of societal disorder.

Phillipa Carroll Porter
 Springfield

U.S., China inch towards armed conflict

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to bolstering his reelection chances, yet his ineffective response to the COVID-19 pandemic coupled with perceptions of his indifference to racial inequities has prompted "wag-the-dog" responses. Hence the Trump regime's antagonistic pursuit of Chinese containment, geopolitically, diplomatically and technologically. To this end, U.S. naval Freedom of Navigation Operations (FONOPs) in the South China Sea have increased markedly in the past year, as have increased diplomatic and military overtures with Taiwan. Beijing voiced its displeasure after U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Alex Azar paid a visit to Taiwan Aug. 9, stating that, "Those who play with fire get burnt." In response to U.S. operations in the South China Sea in July, China threatened that "any U.S. aircraft carrier movement in the region is solely at the pleasure of the PLA [People's Liberation Army]." The PLA has a wide selection of anti-aircraft-carrier weapons.

The U.S. has sanctioned Chinese tech giants Huawei, TikTok and WeChat in the last year, contending the entities pose a threat to national security. On the diplomatic front, Washington shuttered a Houston-based Chinese consulate in July, prompting Beijing to close a Chengdu-based U.S. consulate days later. In another tit-for-tat move, on Aug. 10 China sanctioned 11 American politicians and heads of organizations, days after the U.S. sanctioned the same number of Chinese officials for human rights violations. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo justified the moves, contending that "if the free world doesn't change Communist China, Communist China will change us." The most worrying development to date was an Aug. 15 Pentagon announcement that the U.S. is considering providing Asian allies with mid-range missiles to counter China.

At its current rate, tension between the U.S. and China is unsustainable. As U.S.-Sino interests and ideals collide, the proximity of their armed forces narrows. Consequently, the potential for military miscalculation increases between the two nuclear powers. Ultimately, the CCP will have to accept that the U.S. will only tolerate so much disruption to the regional status quo. Conversely, the U.S. must acknowledge the inevitability of Chinese cultural, technological and geopolitical influence driven by its meteoric economic growth in the past 25 years. In a scenario where neither state has shown sincere willingness to cede ground, mutual concessions must be enacted to defuse a geopolitical powder keg that threatens not only armed conflict, but all-out war.

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The march goes on

This moment in civil rights history: Reflections from Springfielders on demonstrations in D.C.

EQUITY | Rachel Otwell

Kish Broomfield was watching the memorial service for George Floyd, the Minneapolis man who inspired a fresh wave of the Black Lives Matter movement after a cop killed him, when inspiration struck. “In his remarks, Al Sharpton mentioned the March on Washington. And my sisters and I were like, we want to be there,” said Broomfield, a Springfield native. “I want to advocate not just for my son or for the men in my family or for my daughters, but for my community, my Springfield community and the African American community at large.”

Sharpton, a prominent civil rights activist and former presidential candidate among a host of other titles, announced the march during his eulogy for Floyd in early June. During the demonstration in late August, Sharpton was joined by the son and 12-year-old granddaughter of Martin Luther King Jr. and family members of those killed and harmed by police. Like the original March on Washington in 1963, when a young John Lewis said, “We are tired. We are tired of being beat by policemen,” police brutality was a major theme. Lewis, the politician and “Conscience of the Congress” who died earlier this year, was a top civil rights leader starting as a college student. In ’63 he called for people to continue peacefully marching and demonstrating in their communities for true freedom. A policeman struck Lewis in the head during the Selma to Montgomery march for voting rights in 1965 and Lewis suffered a skull fracture.

Like the previous march, which resulted in the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, there were calls for Congress to pass meaningful legislation. Top priorities were the John Lewis Voting Rights Act and the George Floyd Policing and Justice Act, measures which would strengthen the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and change policing norms while establishing a federal database of police misconduct.

“We come like Dr. King came 57 years ago to say we are tired of broken promises,” Sharpton told the crowd. Broomfield said she connects with the deep sense of weariness. “It’s tiring as a community to keep experiencing these kinds of losses.” She wants to be part of the solution.

Broomfield, a state worker who graduated from Southeast High School in 1996 and who has a master’s degree from Benedictine University, said her sisters and cousins take a yearly road trip. That had been postponed due to the pandemic. Once they heard about the march in D.C. though, they decided they’d be



Kish Broomfield and family at the March on Washington 2020. PHOTO COURTESY OF KISH BROOMFIELD

taking a 2020 trip after all.

It was a long drive through several states but the group made it and went through the process of getting a temperature check to enter the National Mall for the event which drew thousands of people.

The recent police shooting in Kenosha, Wisconsin, of Jacob Blake was also top-of-mind. Both his father and sister were speakers at the march. Jacob Blake Sr. spoke of disparities in the justice system. “We’re tired. I’m tired of ... seeing these young Black and brown people suffer,” he said. “We’re going to hold court on systematic racism. We’re going to have court right now. Guilty! Guilty! Guilty!”

Broomfield echoed concerns about people of color being unjustly met with police violence before getting a chance to plead their case. “That’s the fear, (that) you don’t get to have that due process.” She said of the march, “My takeaway is to stay engaged and to stay informed.” Broomfield said that extends to keeping track of local issues, such as the actions, or inaction, of the city council. And she wants less division and more empathy: “It is my heart’s desire that people will start to see each other as people.”

Marching in 1993

Tiffani Saunders was a teenager when she joined her family members for the 30th anniversary March on Washington in 1993. A Maryland resident at the time, she said she was lucky her family was active in matters of

social justice and civil rights. “What I was able to do was translate those (historical) black and white images into color, in real time, in the modern era when I was 13.” Saunders said that and other activist events her parents took her to were formative experiences. She’s now an anthropologist and professor at University of Illinois Springfield where she teaches African American studies.

The most recent march in D.C. is happening as cities around the country continue with demonstrations, as has been the case for months. In cities such as Portland and Chicago, police have attacked and arrested protesters. Conduct of federal agents and police has been unlawful at times, according to civil rights groups such as the ACLU. Demonstration is part of our cultural fabric. “We’ve seen in the past, action by taking to the streets has led to profound change,” said Saunders. The majority of those calling for racial justice out in the streets have not engaged in violent activity. But that doesn’t mean everyone is comfortable by their relentless presence in the public eye.

“What we’re seeing today is a resurgence of methods that have been proven and demonstrated to lead to results, because they make everyone uncomfortable,” said Saunders. “It’s when people who are typically comfortable start to feel uncomfortable as well – that’s where we start to see some change happening.” □

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AND THE WINNER IS...

CAP CITY What do Ward 3 Ald. Doris Turner, Springfield Vintage, Ward 7 Ald. Joe McMenam, city housing inspectors and the Faith Coalition for the Common Good have in common? All, over the years, have won Good Neighbor awards from Inner City Older Neighborhoods, a consortium of neighborhood associations that aims to preserve, improve and promote the city’s core. ICON, which celebrated its 10th anniversary in March, established the Good Neighbor program to recognize deeds ranging from helping the homeless to starting gardens to helping kids learn how to read. Nominations for 2020 winners now are open, and will be accepted through Sept. 25, in five categories, including individual, community organization, business and public service. The awards ceremony is scheduled for November. For more information, or to nominate a good neighbor, visit www.springfieldicon.org.

CWLP WANTS ITS MONEY

CAP CITY We here at CAP CITY got all a-flutter recently when we received a letter from City Water, Light and Power: Pay up or we’ll pull the plug in two weeks. The notice was dated six days after our regular bill arrived, giving us a later due date – we confess to being a month behind, which we confess has happened before. We couldn’t get the check in the mail fast enough, and we weren’t the only ones to get pink paper from CWLP, whose leader, Doug Brown, told the city council on Tuesday that the utility, which stopped disconnections last spring, when the pandemic began, has started reminding folks that neither electricity nor water are free, using robocalls and letters to get the message across. “That way, we can get customers to understand: This doesn’t last forever,” Brown told council members. Some folks who haven’t paid haven’t called to make arrangements, he said. In mid-August, Brown said, 12,000 accounts were past due with a total owing of almost \$10 million. It turns out that CWLP was just funning us when they threatened to turn off our juice this week: The utility, Brown told the council, won’t disconnect people at least through September. But folks in arrears need to contact the utility and set up payment plans. Typically, he said, such payment plans last six months, but they can extend longer. “As long as they share with us what their hardship is, we’ve been going out a year, if we need to,” Brown said. Fair enough. Just put us on the Bruce Rauner Payment Plan, the one with no hard deadlines that CWLP gave the state during the famous budget impasse.

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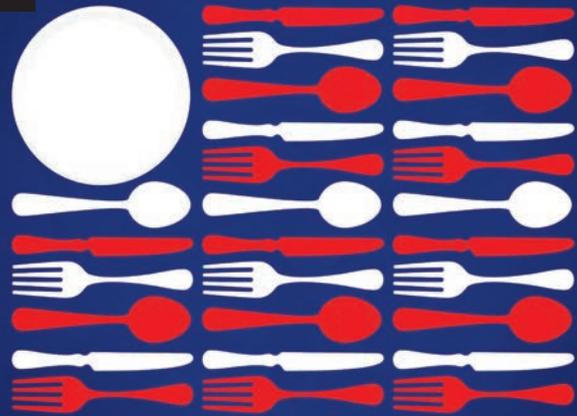
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NEWS



Food for thought

Election issues and downtown kitchen dreams

FARM AND FOOD | Rachel Otwell

The local food movement has its fair share of supporters in the capital city, but changing the current supply chain is no small task. The Illinois Stewardship Alliance is hosting a series of discussions about food, farms and the election. And in Springfield, the city is working with the help of the federal Environmental Protection Agency to envision a project that would mean more access to locally produced food.

Molly Gleason, with the Illinois Stewardship Alliance, is helping plan and host the weekly “Eat Drink Vote” Facebook live series. It involves a rotating crew of Illinois farmers to talk about what matters to them most this election. Upcoming topics include water quality, urban agriculture and farming as a climate change solution. Previous conversations have included the desire to produce Illinois products for more Illinois consumers, something the pandemic is making a clear priority, said Gleason. “We have the richest farmland in the world,” she said. And yet Illinois imports the vast majority of the food consumers in the state buy.

The Illinois Stewardship Alliance is also compiling a voter guide based on a food and farming questionnaire sent to federal candidates. Gleason said while the nonprofit doesn’t endorse candidates, it works to engage residents in the electoral process. “Our ultimate goal is to help people understand what the issues are and to help them cast an informed vote on the issues on Nov. 3,” she said.

Piero Taico of the Illinois Stewardship Alliance is helping produce the election series. “It feels like we’re reaching this groundswell” behind shortening the supply chain and connecting local farmers with the public, he said.

Taico wears another hat as the member of a steering committee working on downtown

developments related to local food. The committee met in late August for virtual planning sessions. “The workshop did everything to confirm my suspicions that there’s a powerful network of folks out there wanting to connect and discuss more about the possibility of local foods as a resiliency plan for Springfield,” said Taico. A baker and first-generation American, Taico had sold Peruvian food with his family from a farmers market in central Illinois. With a cottage food license, he could bake from home, but that didn’t offer much room to scale up. He said he’s excited about the potential of commercial kitchen and innovation space in the city that could help entrepreneurs refine and execute their ideas without having to purchase their own cost-prohibitive equipment.

The proposal is on the table as part of the Springfield project titled Local Foods, Local Places. The city is getting assistance from the EPA to plan. Abby Powell is helping coordinate as part of the city’s economic development office. She said in addition to the potential downtown commercial kitchen space, other goals include “increasing the year-round access to local foods” – such as a year-round farmers market.

The idea of a shared commercial kitchen space has also been popular, she said. “We’ve had so much interest in the idea of a shared kitchen space that we know that demand is out there.” Powell said her office receives inquiries about it at least once a week. She said more talks with the EPA are anticipated later in the year as far as how to proceed.

While plans are still in the oven, Taico said the hope is “to not only produce tasty, nutritious food, but also economically nutritious food for our area as well.” □

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Grade inflation?

Perfect scores abound in pot program

MARIJUANA | Bruce Rushton

Unsuccessful applicants for retail marijuana licenses are complaining about a lack of diversity in a program that's supposed to promote diversity in the marijuana industry.

More than 900 entities asked for 75 retail pot licenses that were preliminarily awarded last week. Fewer than two dozen entities remain in the running. With some entities requesting dozens of licenses, the state Department of Financial and Professional Regulation has said that it received about 4,400 applications, far more than could be approved under the state's pot law that both limits the number of licenses and says where the new businesses can locate.

Springfield has been allotted one new dispensary; Chicago and nearby communities have been granted 47. The state doesn't plan on granting more retail licenses until late next year. No new retail licenses have been granted since the state allowed medical marijuana shops to start selling recreational pot on Jan 1, when the state's recreational marijuana legalization law took effect.

The state says that 21 entities received perfect scores on applications that were graded by a private accounting firm, and so a lottery will be held by month's end to determine the final winners from the list released last week. The 21 preliminary winners have, combined, qualified for more than 300 licenses, more than can be legally issued. Several have qualified for more than 30, and some qualified in all 17 regulatory regions stretching from Lake Michigan to the Shawnee National Forest. Ownership information contained in applications is exempt from public disclosure under state law.

All 21 finalists are considered social equity applicants under the state law that aims to open the pot industry to people who have suffered disproportionately in the war against drugs — applicants who live in disadvantaged areas, who've been arrested for drugs or who have relatives who've landed in legal trouble over drugs can qualify as social equity applicants. Under state law, no entity can own more than 10 dispensaries; if one entity ends up with more than 10 licenses, it can choose which ones to keep and which ones to abandon.

Some unsuccessful applicants are questioning why a relatively small number of entities has made the first cut under a program that's supposed to help disadvantaged would-be entrepreneurs while preventing large companies from dominating the cannabis industry.

Dr. Lawrence Hatchett, a Marion physician who is heading a group that has applied for dispensary and growing licenses, said he believes that successful applicants employed application

writers with experience in other states who knew how to produce winning paperwork. Hatchett, whose group has been eliminated from consideration in the first round, said that he's concerned that the second round of retail licenses due for award next year will turn out the same as this one.

"I'm not going to cry about it," Hatchett said. "I'm disappointed. ... Unless you have a perfect application, you don't stand a chance."

Chris Stone, who advised unsuccessful applicants, said he didn't expect so many perfect scores. When the state awarded licenses to medical marijuana dispensaries in 2015, he said, no applicant received a perfect grade. Depending on how the upcoming lottery goes, he said, between nine and a dozen entities could end up with all of the available licenses. "It's just odd to me," Stone said. "I'm not sure this did what the state wanted it to do."

Chris Slaby, spokesman for the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, wrote in an email that 14 of the 21 finalists are social equity applicants because owners have histories of residing in areas disproportionately impacted by the war on drugs; an additional six were deemed social equity applicants because either they, dependents or relatives were arrested and/or convicted of drug crimes; one finalist achieved social equity status by employing workers deemed disproportionately impacted by the war on drugs.

Slaby hinted that change may be coming. "We are implementing the statute as written," he wrote. "After this round of licenses is awarded, a disparity study will be undertaken before the next round of licenses is awarded next year. This is one step in a long and deliberative process."

Stone said the state should disclose guidelines used in grading applications; Hatchett said the state should provide guidance to unsuccessful applicants so that they can succeed when more licenses are awarded.

"If the state does not take time to educate us smaller groups how to compete against these larger groups then they are disingenuous about their desire to diversify this industry," Hatchett wrote in a text message.

Akele Parnell, a Chicago attorney who advised unsuccessful applicants, said that the state is allowing entities to own too many licenses. Instead of 10 dispensaries, he said, the limit should be five. Under the planned lottery, applicants will receive as many chances in the drawing, set for Sept 23, as they have paid application fees for dispensaries. □

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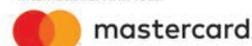
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The author transformed her basement into a classroom for remote learning.

Space for school

Basement remodel creates an area for learning

HOME | Lana Shovlin

If you are a parent of school-age children, chances are you have spent the past few months wondering what school would look like this year. I'm willing to bet that you've had countless conversations with family, friends and even total strangers about the options that schools were offering and which of those options – if any – worked best for your family.

As my husband, Jim, and I read the influx of emails from our school, watched district-wide school board meetings and carefully weighed our options, it became obvious that remote learning was the best choice for our children. However, we live in a modest house, and the thought of all five of us crammed around the kitchen table working on individual projects scared me to death.

One night, after the reality of our decision sunk in, my husband and I sat on the couch and talked about how we wanted the school year to look for our children. I wanted the kids to have a space that resembled a classroom, felt happy, colorful and inviting, and that they could leave behind at the end of the day when their little minds were ready for a rest. Jim just wanted us all to be able to successfully work under the same roof, meet deadlines and not want to strangle each other at the end of the day.

Together, we decided that the best way to accomplish all of these things would be to remodel our basement. We've lived in our home for three years, and we've been planning for this since day one; this strange opportunity gave us the push we needed. Before I knew it, we started collecting paint samples, talking about what kind of flooring we wanted and generally making lemonade out of lemons.

My husband is a lawyer, but growing up he did a lot of jobs that put him in contact with people who knew the ins and outs of home remodeling and construction. Since the day I met him, he's been constantly tinkering and

fixing things, and I knew that he would be able to tackle this job completely on his own. Not having to hire a contractor not only saved us a lot of money, but it also meant that Jim worked around the clock to get the job done. Some nights, after he had completed a full day of remote work for his real job and eaten dinner with our family, he would head directly downstairs and work in the basement until long after the rest of us had gone to bed.

While Jim painted the walls and laid the flooring, I helped out by giving some of the old bookcases and end tables we had around the house a much-needed facelift, spray painting them with a fresh coat of chalked, linen white paint. There's not much natural light that makes its way into the basement, so the pale grey and white color base palette really gave the room an open, breezy feel which contrasted nicely to the bold colors in the artwork and maps that we hung on the walls.

We haven't completely finished our basement remodel, but we've done enough that the girls, ages 6 and 10, have a learning space of their own. The first day of remote classes went off without any glitches. With that said, Jim and I both know that we are incredibly fortunate to have the finances and resources to take on a project like this, but we also recognize that not everyone is in the same position.

As we all embark on this adventure together, please keep in mind that learning can happen anytime and anywhere. Sometimes a backyard play session does more for the brain, body and soul than any structured lesson plan ever could. If we all move forward on this journey armed with compassion, patience and good intentions, our children are going to be just fine. □

Lana Shovlin is a Springfield freelance writer who has been home with her husband and three children since March, mostly successfully.



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Small steps to a better you

SELF-IMPROVEMENT | Lana Shovlin

I recently read a fascinating article in *The Wall Street Journal* about how rituals have the power to turn periods of isolation into opportunities for self-growth. The author, William James, a well-known American philosopher and psychologist, also happened to be his wife's primary caretaker throughout her 10-year struggle with Alzheimer's disease. While caring for her, he wisely observed that people are a collection of their daily habits, and that as long as we work hard not to lose our ability to have something to look forward to, we are able to cultivate joy and hope in times of deep fear and uncertainty.

After reading his article, it was glaringly obvious that I had not been using this time sheltering-in-place in a way that would have made William James proud. For weeks, I felt like I was stuck in the movie *Groundhog Day*, and my husband and I often joked that we had no idea what day it was. Even worse, I had an epiphany one evening when my daughter asked me what I would say when my future grandchildren wanted to know how it felt to live through the Great Coronavirus Pandemic. Did I really want to tell them it was a blur of Cherry Garcia ice cream and episodes of *Tiger King*? Or did I want to be able to say that I used this time to become a healthier, happier, smarter person?

The morning after reading James' article, I made a promise to myself that each day I would attempt to do something good for my body, mind and soul. As an avid daily walker, I decided that I would push myself a little harder and start a running program. It was challenging at first, especially since my knees like to remind me that I'm 41, but I persevered and am now running an average of four miles, three times a week.

On the days that I don't run, I still prioritize my daily walk, and for the first time in years I can fit into the jeans that I wore prior to having three children. That's not the best part, though. Many studies have linked daily outdoor walking with the ability to reduce anxiety and feelings of social withdrawal, while simultaneously boosting your self-esteem and increasing immune responses. These side effects are extremely beneficial during periods where many of us are concerned with health and living in some form of self-isolation.

Americans customarily wait until the new year to begin new habits, but as autumn



Author Lana Shovlin uses the Map My Walk app to track her distance and time.

quickly approaches, I can't think of a better time to lace up your sneakers and hit the pavement. There's nothing more motivating than the gorgeous foliage and crisp, refreshing air.

Another habit that I've committed to is learning something new every single day. One easy way that I've been accomplishing that task is by switching out music for podcasts. Whether I'm driving in the car or walking around the park, you can bet that I'm working double-time in exercising both my body and my mind. No matter what interests you, there is certainly an engaging podcast that fits the bill, but be sure to listen to something outside of your normal realm, too. Listen to someone who may not share the same beliefs as you, but who's an expert in their field, nonetheless. Our willingness to consider someone else's point of view also plays a critical role in our ability to expand our capacity to think creatively and get along well with others.

Over the past few months, we've all become victims of stress eating, too much screen time and way too many Zoom meetings in sweatpants. If you're wondering what your life would be like if you just made a few small changes, it's time to take that first step. I look forward to seeing you along the way.

Lana Shovlin is a freelance writer who lives in Springfield. She recently taught herself the phonetic alphabet, which will be a great party trick when we're allowed to have parties again.

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How and why to compost

GARDEN | Holly Whisler

Did your grandmother set aside egg shells and coffee grounds on the kitchen counter following a big breakfast? If you never asked her why, your grandmother and many others in her generation were composting, just like more and more people are doing today.

Composting at home is economical and environmentally friendly. Compost is organic material that can be added to soil to help plants grow. Food scraps and yard waste make up more than 28% of what we throw away, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Instead of taking up space in a landfill and producing methane, a potent greenhouse gas, this waste could be composted and used to enrich soil in flower and vegetable gardens.

There are three basic categories of ingredients needed to create compost: brown matter, greens and water. Brown matter is dead leaves, branches and twigs. Greens include grass clippings, vegetable waste, fruit scraps and coffee grounds. The right amount of moisture is crucial for the breakdown of organic matter. Too little and the composting process slows down. Too much can produce bad odors and also slow down decomposition. Your compost pile should feel like a wrung-out sponge. Ideally, the compost pile should have an equal amount of browns to greens, and alternate layers of organic materials. Cardboard or newspapers can be used for layering the pile as well.

A compost pile can be built in a shady corner of the backyard or mixed in a tumbler purchased at a local garden center. Candace Scheuermann, garden center manager at Green View, 3000 W. Jefferson St., has a rule of thumb when it comes to composting: you get back what you put in. In other words, use quality ingredients, not decaying plant matter, meat or animal products that can become rancid, drawing pests and animals. The objective is to encourage earthworms or beetles

to the pile so they will digest brown and green material, turning it into compost.

She does not recommend putting big sticks or branches in the compost pile because they take a long time to break down. Aerate the compost pile by turning it over with a pitch fork, or rotating the tumbler, at least once a week during warm weather, and once every three to four weeks during colder months. This introduces oxygen to the compost, which increases decomposition.

Each spring, Mark Moscardelli, landscape manager and designer at Pleasant Nursery, 4234 W. Wabash Ave., makes mulch by cutting back perennials and mulching the clippings with a mower. These fine clippings break down quickly once spread over a vegetable or flower garden. This provides beneficial nitrogen and microorganisms to the soil and can be used in place of wood mulch. Moscardelli said that although wood mulches look nice, they don't provide much benefit for the plant, especially when there are layers upon layers. The layers can actually cause the mulch to become hard like wood over the plant's roots, depriving it of oxygen. If this is the case in your garden, he advises removing the mulch with a shovel and working compost into the soil about 2-3 inches deep. This will allow the soil to aerate and be ready to produce beautiful perennials next year.

Gardening has seen a resurgence in popularity since the COVID-19 pandemic has required us to stay home and find ways to keep busy. Practically speaking, growing our own produce has been a necessity for some. Naturally, composting is a companion project that is simple and can also serve as a science lesson for kids learning remotely.

For more information about composting, call a local nursery or visit epa.gov or nrdc.org/stories/composting-101.com. □

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Decluttering a garage

HOME | Carey Smith

Many garages serve as overstuffed closets rather than a place to park vehicles. Decluttering and organizing your garage can help you get a step closer to preparing for winter.

Step one is to envision your end goal. For most people, that usually involves a vehicle parked inside the garage, rather than in the driveway, with enough clearance on all sides to make the transition from garage to house a comfortable experience. Imagine all of your stored items neatly stacked and identified so that retrieval is easy.

Most garages are too full, with piles of broken furniture and other items, as well as materials for projects. Holiday items are stashed here and there, with boxes from adult children moving in and out of the house as well as items inherited from the passing of elders placed where there happens to be space. It's really incredible the stuff we can pack into our garages, which is why cleaning them out can be an overwhelming task.

For garages where there isn't much space to work in, the first task at hand is to clear out what's easy to part with. Since we often store items that we mean to donate, or that can be sent to the landfill, these are the simplest decisions to make. If your items are destined for the thrift store, take them there, or call for pick up if you have a number of items. Consider donating to homeless shelters or others in need, such as those posting requests on the Springfield Families Helping Families Facebook group page.

Habitat for Humanity ReStore will pick up bulky items to resell in good shape. The ReStore also has a contract with the City of Springfield to offer large item pick up for items that are in bad shape. Springfield residents can get once a year pick up for as many as six items, or three items twice yearly. To reserve a time for pickup, visit the habitatsangamon.com website or call 217-523-2710.

If your garage contains a lot of items that are destined for the landfill, consider renting a dumpster. This makes disposal easy. Other options are to contact a junk hauler, or request your usual trash hauler to pick up your extra items for a fee.

As items are inspected, it's easiest to sort into four categories: trash, recycling, give away and keep. For items that are kept, sorting into similar piles is ideal. It becomes clear when items in a category can be reduced. For instance, when all Christmas items have been collected, you may realize that 27 strings of lights and three artificial trees are more than are needed. A large pile of camping items may remind us that we haven't camped since the turn of the millennium and that we hate



sleeping outdoors.

One of the biggest categories is often projects. This can be a reckoning for many of us. One question to ask is how much time you spend doing projects. Many of us will gladly relax with a movie rather than get out that chair in need of reupholstering. If you're the kind of person who does not work much on projects, it's good to be honest with yourself and reclaim that space in your garage. If you're the kind of person who loves to do projects, pick enough to get you through the next year and discard the rest.

Once items are pared down to what you will use on a regular or seasonal basis, it's time to organize. Heavy duty shelving can be purchased or built, with clearly labeled bins making it easy to find and access belongings when needed. Keep all like things together as you organize, with seldom-used items on top and bottom shelves and items used often within easy reach.

To keep from getting overwhelmed, set a time limit. A couple of hours on a weekend will get your garage in shape in a short time without being exhausting. Ask a friend to help, or make it a family project. Especially when first starting, if a decision is overwhelming, add a fifth pile: I don't know. As we get good at making the easy decisions (broken chair goes in the dumpster), the complicated decisions become easier.

Remember to clean as you go. Wipe down shelves, wash windows, brush away cobwebs and sweep the floor. It's advisable to use a dust mask when stirring up garage debris and to keep the area well-ventilated.

Then, pull your car into the garage, get out and stretch your arms wide in victory. Look at your meticulously lined and labeled rows of bins. Relax in the spaciousness of a garage ready for winter. Your future self will thank you. □

Carey Smith is a Springfield resident and professional organizer currently on hiatus due to COVID.

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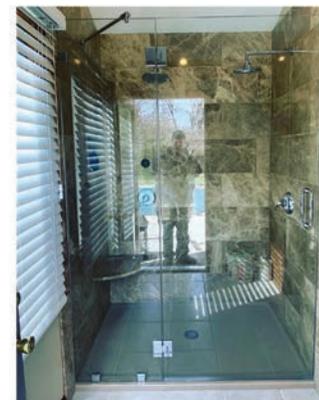
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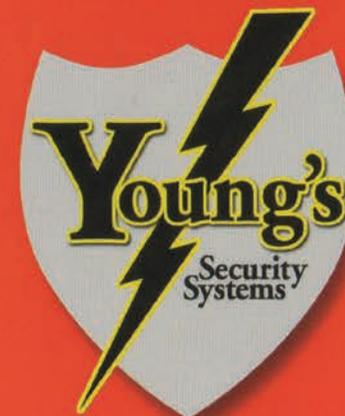
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Fall gardening: Greens, garlic and beauty

GARDEN | Carey Smith

As summer's heat ebbs and fall approaches, it is a great time to revitalize the garden. Just about anything that grows well in spring will also grow well in the cooler temperatures of fall. Direct seeding of greens such as lettuce, arugula, chard, kale and spinach now will provide a harvest beginning in late October and will last a couple of months, sometimes even throughout a mild winter.

Beets can be ready in six to seven weeks, and while carrots take a bit longer, a frost increases their sweetness and taste. Onion sets can be planted between crops and harvested as needed, to be used as green onions.

Cruciferous crops such as cabbage, broccoli and Brussels sprouts are best transplanted this time of year. But even starting from seed, they are quite frost-resistant and can be harvested from the garden well into winter. Brussels sprouts taste even better after a freeze. Seedlings for transplant can be found locally at Buckley's Prairie Landscaping.

Gardeners can somewhat mitigate cold temperatures by using micro-climates to their advantage. Creating a microclimate changes atmospheric conditions, such as growing crops next to a concrete driveway that absorbs the heat from the sun throughout the day and releases it at night. This may increase the ambient temperature just a few degrees, but it can make a big difference in lengthening the duration of a winter crop. A windbreak that protects plants can make a crucial difference. Some gardeners build cold frames or hoop tunnels to further increase the chances of a long-lasting harvest throughout winter.

Garlic is planted in fall. Generally, in our area, hardneck varieties are preferred, as they do well with our cold winters and cool springs. Seed garlic can be sourced from reputable growers and will come in the form of a garlic bulb. Cloves can be separated and planted, usually mid-October. Garlic will sprout a few inches before cold weather arrives, and then pick up in growth in spring, with hardneck varieties producing curly tops called scapes, which can be cut off and eaten. Garlic is usually harvested in June, when about two-thirds of the plant has turned brown.

Another crop planted in early fall is fruit trees. The cooler weather helps roots establish before winter. Trees planted in fall are not

subject to the hazards of a hot summer, but it is best to purchase fruit trees from a reputable source. Trees sourced from big box stores this time of year have often endured a summer of stress and lack of care, lowering their chance of survival.

Other fruits such as strawberries, or brambles such as raspberries, can be planted in the fall as well. Be sure to plant in the early part of fall so that roots have time to get established.

Though we often think of feeding ourselves through gardening, it is advisable to feed our garden soil as well. Many organic gardeners do this through planting cover crops in fall. Any unused garden bed can be seeded with a cover crop such as rye, hairy vetch or clover, or a mix of seeds, which will begin to grow before winter arrives. Cover crops can reduce erosion and suppress weeds, as well as add nitrogen (if leguminous) and organic matter to the soil, improving tilth. Fall is also a great time to add manure or compost to the garden, allowing the winter to age and mellow these garden additions.

Fall is the best time to plant spring-blossoming bulbs such as tulips, daffodils, crocuses and hyacinths. The cheapest bulbs are not always the best to plant, as an investment in quality will pay off in large, persistent blooms. Bulbs are perennials, which means they will bloom year after year. About every five years or so, it is recommended to dig up bulbs, separate and replant for continued vibrancy. For a striking visual display in spring, plant bulbs around a fruit tree. Bulbs compete well with grass, which will allow more water to be accessed by the fruit tree. Planting bulbs in clusters also provides for more visual pleasure.

Being outdoors in fresh air does wonders for our mental health, especially in this year of COVID restrictions. Gardening when the temperature is cool and the sun and humidity are not so intense makes it a much more enjoyable experience. Continuing to harvest fresh produce through the winter supports our health and immune system. In early spring, our eyes will delight in the sights of colorful blossoms and the wonderful smell of fruit trees in bloom. Fall gardening is an investment in our future selves. □

Carey Smith has dreams of becoming the tulip lady of her neighborhood and enjoys fresh garlic from her garden every year.



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Stocking your pandemic pantry

HOME | Ashley Meyer

Long before pandemic life became reality, my husband always made a big deal about being prepared. He maintained that we needed to keep a month's supply of food, water and basic supplies on hand at all times, and I'll admit I often rolled my eyes at what seemed like paranoia. However, when the economy suddenly halted in the uncertain days of late March, I was indeed grateful for the security afforded by a stockpile of stuff.

Attempting to stock up all at once on everything a family would need for two weeks is a daunting and cost-prohibitive endeavor for almost anyone, and panic shopping is never advisable. The key is to prepare in advance by building up a supply over time and maintaining a system. Beyond providing security in a time of uncertainty, it's wonderful to be able to go shopping in your own pantry and it's much easier to cook well when you have the right ingredients.

Location

You don't need a dedicated pantry space — anywhere that is dry and doesn't get hot or freezing cold will do. I don't have a pantry in my house, but I have open shelves in my kitchen and a cabinet where I keep everyday ingredients. Almost everything else is stored in the garage in heavy-duty plastic tubs on a commercial-type wire rack. Silica packets, which can be ordered online, are a useful tool for keeping the contents of the bins fresh and dry.

Decant

Choose uniform, transparent containers with tight lids and transfer as many items as possible into them. This makes your pantry more attractive and easier to organize, but also keeps product fresher and facilitates bulk buying because you can buy exactly as much as you need.

Buy in bulk (sometimes)

It only makes sense to buy in bulk that which you're actually going to use in time for the product to still be good. While most canned foods are usually good for a while past their expiration date, items such as cereals and whole grains can become rancid and develop an off taste if stored too long at room temperature. Stores like Food Fantasies have a wide variety of ingredients for sale in bulk, including spices, grains and nuts. Only buy large quantities of items that you use regularly and have a system for rotating them out.



Freeze it

Many shelf-stable items like nuts, whole grains, flour and cornmeal will retain their quality in the freezer. Wrap meat in extra plastic wrap or butcher paper to ward off freezer burn. Sauté and freeze seasonal or on-sale vegetables like spinach and mushrooms in zip-top bags for later use.

Think like a restaurant

Use a PAR (periodic automatic replenishment) system for most items that are used often, such as peanut butter, salt, rice and canned tomatoes. Decide on minimum quantities you want to have on hand for each item, and then when items get low it needs to be brought up to PAR. So if you decide you want to have a minimum of five pounds of rice in your pantry, then if you use some and now only have four pounds, then you need to buy another pound to bring your rice up to PAR. If you have six pounds of rice on hand, you're above PAR and can hold off on buying more. In rethinking your food storage system, it's helpful to make a full accounting of the items in your pantry as well as everything your family consumes over two weeks in order to determine how much you should have on hand at a time.

'First in, first out' is an essential concept for maintaining a working pantry. Basically, use the older stuff first. Stack new purchases behind older ones. It can be helpful to write the purchase date on items with a marker as you put them away and write 'use first' on older items.

Ashley Meyer is a cook and writer based in Springfield.

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GARDEN | Holly Whisler

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Perennials frequently seen in central Illinois include purple coneflower, hosta, peony, iris, hydrangea and black-eyed Susan, to name just a few. Horticulturists divide perennials into two categories: woody plants and herbaceous perennials. Woody plants have stems that do not die back and instead grow with each season. Trees, shrubs and some vines are considered woody perennials. Hydrangea is an example of a woody perennial that keeps its woody stem through the winter and produces new flowers each spring on that existing stem. Herbaceous perennials such as coneflower, hosta and black-eyed Susan, have more delicate stems that die back to the ground at the end of the season, leaving the roots to survive the winter. New growth comes forth from the ground in the spring.

Once a perennial has been planted, it requires very little maintenance: sunlight, water and perhaps some slow-release fertilizer. Once established, their roots spread underground and the plant itself spreads, sometimes taking over a large portion of the garden. A perennial will tell you when it's ready to be divided. According to the University of Illinois Extension Office, a perennial is ready to be divided when you see one or more of these signs: reduced flowering or smaller flowers, a hole that has developed in the center of the plant with growth only around the edges, the plant flops and needs staking, it loses its vigor or it has just outgrown its bounds.

Dividing is a simple process that can be accomplished using a shovel, a sharp knife or spade and a new spot for transplanting. Candace Scheuermann, garden center manager at Green View, 3000 W. Jefferson St., said dividing perennial plants is the best way to create another garden for yourself or someone else -- absolutely free! She recommends dividing woody plants, shrubs and trees when they go dormant, which is when their leaves fall off and the plant is asleep for winter. Scheuermann said it is safe to divide herbaceous plants such as bee balm, coneflower, flox and iris at the end of summer to early fall.

Mark Moscardelli, landscape manager and designer at Pleasant Nursery, 4234



W. Wabash Ave., said the ideal time to transplant perennials is March and April, but if you have to transplant in the fall, do so in September and October. Reduce stress on the plant by cutting foliage to the ground, dig out the entire plant and take a spade or pitch fork and section the plant apart from core, making sure the sections are no smaller than the size of a softball. Mix compost into the existing soil. Scheuermann cautions against using "compost that is too perfect because the roots need to work in order to expand" in their new space. She suggests using one part compost to two parts original soil. Return a section of the plant to the hole and fill it with enriched soil. Tamp it down with a shovel in order to reduce air pockets. Moscardelli recommends using root stimulator and keeping the transplant moist by watering every other day throughout the remainder of the fall.

Scheuermann said irises and daylilies like to be dug up and divided in order to refresh for the following spring. Perennials such as these can grow to a point where they dominate a garden. Moscardelli said, "You want a community of plants in your garden. In order to keep a variety of species, put some transplants in plant liners and share with neighbors and friends." He suggests thinking of your garden like crafting a piece of art.

Perennials require very little maintenance for the amount of beauty they provide each and every year. Now is the perfect time to divide your garden and brighten someone's day with the gift of a perennial.

Holly Whisler is a freelance writer from Springfield who is looking forward to dividing some of her perennials this fall to share with others.

Governors after office

Not all went to prison.

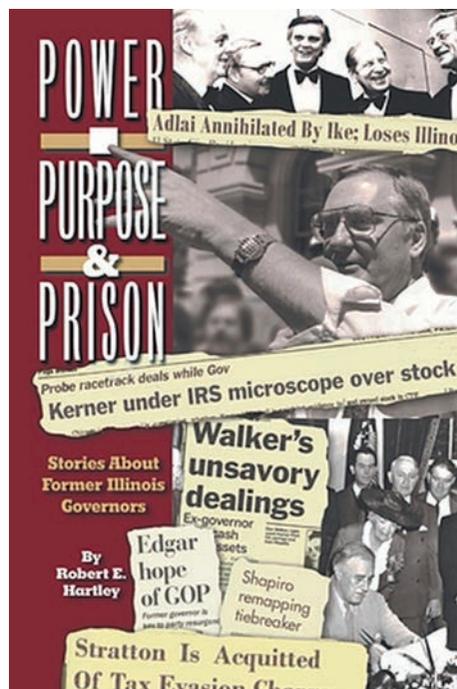
BOOK REVIEW | Glenna R. Schroeder-Lein

Sadly, when one thinks about Illinois' former governors, legal problems and prison terms come to mind. In fact, however, quite a number of former governors continued to be useful and productive (and legal) after their terms in office. Few biographers have given any of their post-gubernatorial careers much attention though. Robert Hartley wanted to change this situation. A former journalist and a student of history who has been studying and writing about Illinois politics since the 1960s, Hartley puts his background to good use in this volume.

Reasonably, Hartley chose to limit his study to the post-gubernatorial experiences of 11 governors who served between 1933 and 2003, but there are several caveats. First, Henry Horner died in office and had no post-gubernatorial career. But Hartley alleges that by his two-year fight against his lieutenant governor, John H. Stelle, Horner left a legacy of damage to the Illinois Democratic party that extended for years, so Hartley included him. Second, Dwight H. Green is entirely omitted except for a paragraph (p. ix), for reasons that seem vague and inadequate: neither Republicans nor Democrats liked him because he allegedly tolerated gambling while governor, and after his two terms he practiced law. Third, the three most recent former governors – Rod Blagojevich, Pat Quinn and Bruce Rauner – are deemed to be too early in their post-official careers for proper assessment and are only mentioned in passing.

The book's presentation is chronological, a chapter per governor, with as much as a third devoted to context – biographical background and the highlights (or lowlights) of the subject's gubernatorial career. In the interests of efficiency, however, I am going to note the men by category.

Hartley is not a fan of two governors whose reputations, he believes, are highly overrated – Horner and Adlai E. Stevenson II. Horner's issue has been noted above. In the case of Stevenson, his indecisiveness and failure to actually declare until the last minute that he was running for president in 1952, prevented him from concentrating on his gubernatorial duties beginning in 1951. This wounded Illinois generally, but also prevented the Illinois Democrats from selecting a candidate early enough to



Robert E. Hartley, *Purpose, Power, and Prison: Stories About Former Illinois Governors* [cover title *Power, Purpose, and Prison*] Xlibris, 2020. The book is available in Springfield at Books on the Square and Barnes and Noble, and online at Amazon and at Xlibris (www.Xlibris.com, 888-795-4274).

campaign effectively, and thus they were soundly defeated.

Then, there is the criminal element, with all of the cases related to fiscal irregularities: questionable receipt and use of campaign contributions (William G. Stratton); investing in and profiting from racetrack stocks while governor (Otto Kerner Jr.); post-gubernatorial business fraud (Daniel Walker); and scandals relating to the purchase of commercial driver's licenses by unqualified drivers while the accused was secretary of state (George H. Ryan). Stratton was not convicted, but his reputation was ruined. The others spent varying amounts of time in prison.

Five ex-governors made substantial contributions of one sort or another during their post-gubernatorial years. Stelle, a controversialist even without Horner, served only 99 days as governor and afterwards devoted his time to veterans' affairs, especially leading the fight for the G.I. Bill

of Rights. Samuel H. Shapiro, another short-term governor (about eight months), served on Illinois commissions on salary increases for state government officials and congressional redistricting, with not entirely impartial results. Richard B. Ogilvie served as state co-chair for Gerald Ford's unsuccessful 1976 presidential campaign.

In contrast to Stelle and Shapiro, James R. Thompson served the longest of any Illinois governor – 14 years. His later activities included being CEO of a large law firm, service on many corporate boards and appointment to the federal 9/11 commission. Ironically, Thompson also provided some advice to former governors Ryan and Blagojevich in their legal distress. James Edgar was part of the Institute of Government and Public Affairs at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, as well as being involved in the establishment of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum.

In an oral history interview cited by Hartley, former governor Edgar explained the main problem of being a former governor – not being a governor. All the privileges and power were gone. Suddenly he had no clout, and no staff to rely on to meet needs or solve problems.

Hartley's book is a worthwhile read, as a summary of gubernatorial terms, as a refresher on Illinois politics in general, and as a source of "the rest of the story" on former governors. For those who might want to know, the book contains endnotes, a bibliography, an index and some photographs.

Unexpectedly, the writing of this review has coincided with the passing of one of the book's subjects, former governor James Thompson, on Aug. 14. For those who might wish to learn more about him, this book is a good place to start. For further detail on Thompson's pre-gubernatorial career, see Hartley's, *Big Jim Thompson of Illinois* (1979).

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Ron stands with his completed Super Mario mural located in the cafeteria of the Lincoln Prairie Behavioral Health Center in Springfield. Spray-painted November 2019.

Graffiti freedom

Ron Kaszuk spraypaints and motivates

PROFILE | Jay Wheeler

Graffiti is thousands of years old. In its literal sense, it's the act of writing on walls and other surfaces – traditionally those that don't belong to the writer. In modern times, it's linked to cans of spray paint and more often than not, music. On walls in alleys and on passing trains, it's become a blemish mostly overlooked, misunderstood or ignored. Illegal without consent, it can simply be the evidence of punk kids causing mischief. But it can just as easily be a tag marking a gang's territory as a warning sign, telling outsiders they've crossed a line. A nondescript spray-painted group of letters or numbers on a wall can mark the difference between love and violence.

Over the years, graffiti has evolved from the most basic tags to high-level art, with aficionados not only consenting, but clamoring to commission spray-painted masterpieces on a large scale, while artists gain recognition. Movies, music, culture and social media have brought graffiti culture to many who otherwise would have never known its depth. No longer exclusively painted under the cover of darkness, graffiti has crossed into the light of legitimacy.

Ron Kaszuk thinks of graffiti as American hieroglyphics. He is and has been a lot of things.

He's a father. He's been a failure. He's a mentor. He's been a convicted criminal. He's an Athens resident and a South Side Chicago native. He caused his share of trouble and exorcised a legion of personal demons. Despite all that, and failing art class in high school to boot, he's found popular reception for his art, which was once 100% illegal. With the exception of painting the occasional train car, he's gone 100% legit. Where his goal used to be illegally tagging over someone else's illegal work, his biggest dream now is to collaborate with the TATS Cru, a group of New York City artists known for being largely responsible for graffiti's current cultural standing, particularly in graffiti murals. It has taken Kaszuk a lot of grit to get where he stands, but now in his 40s, his passion is finally bearing fruit. He is a legit graffiti artist, and he's just getting started.

His intensity is immediately apparent, and his love of art is painted all over him. Perpetually clad in self-dappled painter's gear, he lives to create. He is a man doing what few have the courage to attempt: pursuing a dream borne of passion. He has a big heart he openly wears on his sleeve, and the man bleeds paint.

Discovering graffiti

Ron did a lot of tagging and running around with characters some would call unsavory. "It started pretty early," Ron says, recalling his introduction to graffiti in South Side Chicago. "I lived in a gang neighborhood, so it was everywhere. Writing on the walls just seemed natural to me. It was like, we can do this. What are they gonna do? Nobody called the cops. Nobody cared."

Ron's first experience writing on someone else's property was when he was nine years old. "My brother and his friends, before they were into graffiti, they were gangbangers. They were tattooing each other with India ink. So, I stole a bottle of it, and I took a clean cigarette butt, snapped it off. Dipping it in the ink, I was using it kind of like a marker. That was on my neighbor's garage. I wrote all over it. I even climbed a tree so I could write on the roof. My brother was so pissed," Ron remembers.

He didn't use ink for long. "Once we started tagging, spray paint was natural," Ron says. "I got my name looking decent, and that was pretty much it."

Paying for the past

Years later and guilty of burglary, Ron's past followed him to Springfield in 2007. "When I came down here, I was on the run. I had a warrant for my arrest, but I wasn't really living like that anymore. So, I turned myself in," Ron explains.

By happenstance, this timing gave him a remarkable opportunity to positively craft his passion. He found himself on a bus to prison handcuffed to his brother's friend, who asked him if he was a hustler like his brother and where his talents lay. When Ron told him he was into graffiti, the man said, "OK, as soon as we get to the joint, I'm gonna get you a pen and paper. You start drawing. I'll start taking orders."

Soon Ron had a steady list of customers commissioning drawings. Whether he was drawing an inmate's daughter's name in graffiti script or crafting a mockup for a tattoo, Ron stayed busy. There were other inmates drawing skulls, hearts and the like. He drew things differently than those around him, which created a market specific to his talents. This put him in a position in which no one bothered him while he did what he loved. There wasn't access to paint, but that didn't matter. It gave him time to hone a craft.

After his release six months later, his desire to paint remained strong, but he struggled with years of depression, regret and substance abuse, which made confidence and motivation tough to come by.

Opportunities bear fruit

Ron started finding more ways to embrace his love of paint. After years working for other people and readjusting, he started his own business: #REKSERVICES in Athens. Focused initially on painting houses, he branched out into working with furniture. One of his first paid opportunities came from a guy who provided him with a dose of confidence.

After turning down a bid to have Ron paint his house, Jeff Cox, a Springfield-area resident and respected member of the Illinois legal community, hired him to convert some old furniture into an elegant alternative. This was a turning point for Ron.

"The confidence that came from that had me looking people in the eye. I didn't feel like that dirty scumbag running around the South Side of Chicago anymore, ya know? I started to feel like I actually could shake my past off, whereas before I felt like I was walking around with a dark cloud surrounding me."

Cox was pleased enough to commission more from Ron. "He's incredibly talented, and I've passed his name on to a lot of friends and family," Cox says of Ron. "He doesn't disappoint with his work."

Ron paints his freedom

Things started moving quickly after that. He

got the opportunity to paint a mural on a Third Street wall downtown and was struck by a decade-old memory: "I was at church, and this dude was praying over me. He asked what I needed prayer for. I didn't know how to tell him that I was broken. I was alone. This dude who didn't know anything about me says, 'I don't know if this means anything to you, but it feels like God is telling me to tell you to paint your freedom.'"

Painting his mural, he remembered that moment and was inspired to write "paint your freedom" in the top right corner of it, which marked a turning point. "That was June 1 of

Podcast's Episode #60 to discuss his art for thousands of listeners.

Keep hustling

Since then, Ron's work has become a hot commodity. His favorite thing is to paint graffiti inside someone's house. He has gotten the opportunity to showcase his art in a number of businesses as well. One that stands out is a Nintendo-themed cafeteria at the Lincoln Prairie Behavioral Health Center.

Another big project he is working on involves mural work for Clean Impact, a local commercial office cleaning company. They

he even has one he can't speak about on the record. While he's still down to paint houses for a buck, he finds himself with the time to try to pass some knowledge on to those interested in learning from his successes, as well as his mistakes.

Mentorship

Ron loves to influence other artists and provide advice when they want it. Asked if he is mentoring anyone right now he says, "I'm fortunate that I am: Bones 47. Him and another guy in his crew just did their first paying job. I didn't get that for them or anything, but I've encouraged him and kind of talked him through how to do it."

Bones has nothing but good things to say about Ron. He says, "Ron is a great friend and graffiti artist. He's my mentor on graffiti and life in general. I haven't known him that long, but he's supported my growth as an artist more than anyone else ever has. He believes in my talent and pushes me to try harder every day."

Ron praises his protégé: "Bones does something in his sketchbook every day. He's an amazing sketchbook artist. His hand styles are off the chain. They're way better than mine. What I'm trying to urge him to do now is to paint other stuff, because if you're going to paint for other people, you gotta paint what they want. How many clients are gonna want my name on their wall?"

Although he's busy, he makes it a point to stay focused on mentoring Bones 47. Ron explains, "I've been talked down to a lot, and I've made terrible choices. If I can stop that with somebody else, that's where I'm at, bro. If along the way I can tip the scales and help somebody else, that's what I wanna do."

Love and gratitude

In addition to the opportunities provided by Jeff Cox, the person Ron most credits with his success is his girlfriend, Kristin. "She has a lot to do with the fact that I'm sitting here today," Ron says with misty eyes. "Where the whole world would've stopped putting up with my shit, not only did she put up with it, but the days when she was angry and the bills were late she still supported me – at times financially, and other times telling me to go do it and she'd take care of the baby. There would be no #REKSERVICES if it wasn't for her."

Ron and Kristin live in Athens, with their three-year-old daughter, Jocelyn. His artwork can be seen on his #REKSERVICES social media profiles, and he has time-lapse graffiti videos on YouTube. He can be contacted for commission work through Facebook, REKSERVICES@yahoo.com or by phone at 217-503-7452. □

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Marvel character mural spray painted as a live exposition in front of the Athens Municipal Library for a back-to-school event hosted by the library and #REKSERVICES on Aug. 24, 2020. Features Incredible Hulk, Star Lord, Lego Captain America, Spiderman.



Ron's first major public mural, painted June 2019 on Third Street in downtown Springfield. Features his initials with colorful swirls inspired by the May 2019 Illinois tornado outbreak.

2019. Once I started being true to following this art stuff and just making that my life, crazy stuff just started happening. Like, I went from an idea to a career in less than six months."

Jeff Cox hooked him up with then-director John Sullivan at the Department of Agriculture for a canvas graffiti exposition at the 2019 Illinois State Fair. Ron's work was well-received, and within a few months he was invited onto the Intentional Dangerfield

recently bought a building that was equipped with a screen and projector, which they planned to convert into an employee training room. Then came COVID-19. "Life got more serious, and they wanted to do something more fun for their employees," Ron says. "So they decided to make an arcade/movie theater. They bought arcade games and a pinball machine. They're getting theater-style seating. So, I've been creating mock-ups for the walls."

Ron has so many projects in the works that

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"I will meet up with Bertha Bus at the Rapid River Mini Mart and will lead you to the Inn. You'll never find it on your own. The last 10 miles are on an unpaved dirt logging road."

Hidden away in Hiawatha National Forest in Michigan's Upper Peninsula is Milkweed Inn, the latest project from Michelin-starred chef and award-winning author Iliana Regan. To call the location remote is an understatement. And to call the muddy, bumpy, rut-filled 10-mile dirt path through the woods a "road" is also an understatement. A trip up that road is enough to knock all the fillings out of your teeth. How is my poor old 20-year-old bus going to survive the ride?

Before becoming our rolling tiny home, Bertha was a school bus and school buses are built to be sturdy enough to safely transport kids through rugged rural terrains. But the road ahead was something perhaps no Bluebird Freightliner had ever attempted. Foot-high ridges between the foot-deep ruts left by the logging trucks would surely break her axles and tear off poor old Bertha's driveshaft. The 10-mile drive took nearly an hour and I was certain that all the intervertebral discs in my lower back were going to end up looking like deflated balloons.

Chef Regan purchased the log cabin lodge on 150 wooded acres three years ago with the plan of creating a wilderness culinary weekend retreat. Last year was its first season, and reservations, priced between \$1,100 and \$1,400 per person, sold out within 48 hours. Spurred on by big write-ups in the *New York Times* and *Washington Post*, this summer was also fully booked... until the coronavirus pandemic changed our world.

The Inn can host 10 guests, the space is cozy, and meals are communal. With guests traveling in from all over the country, Chef Regan had to make the hard decision to reschedule all the reservations until next summer, with the exception of one group of five family members who promised to wear masks and wash their hands. This is why our new jobs as cooks and innkeepers were pushed back from the beginning of May to the end of August.

Iliana Regan made a name for herself in the culinary world at her restaurant Elizabeth in Chicago by offering creatively inspired, gorgeously plated tasting menus featuring a variety of foraged and wild-caught ingredients. Celebrity chef David Chang calls her one of the best chefs he has ever known. The *New York Times* wrote: "If the chef Rene Redzepi (also a



Fried Milkweed Pods. PHOTO BY ILIANA REGAN

Regan fan) is the Nordic godfather of a culinary movement that cultivates a deep connection to the surrounding landscape. Ms. Regan is like Greta Thunberg, steering her tiny boat steadily into uncharted waters and attempting a new definition of what it means to be an American chef."

The Inn was named Milkweed as an homage to the *Asclepias syriaca*, the common milkweed plant that grows wild in meadows, fields and ditches and is so beloved by the monarch butterflies. As we traipsed through the woods in search of mushrooms and ripe blackberries, and Queen Anne's Lace, Chef Regan stopped and raised her hand and said, "Peter bring your gathering bag." She called me over to a stand of milkweeds. "The small pods are quite delicious. Let's gather some. We can fry them in a tempura batter and serve them to our guests. The texture of fried milkweed pods resembles okra. They are mild-tasting, tender and quite wonderful."

She explained that the pods start appearing late summer and look like a bright green, plump, spiny fruit. As they mature, they become a paler greenish-yellow and start to split open to release their seeds. For culinary applications, milkweed pods should be harvested when they are small, no longer than two inches, and before the white seeds take on any color.

Turning common "weeds" into a gourmet

treat may seem foreign and exotic, but the milkweed plant was a food source to indigenous inhabitants of America's heartland.

Fried Milkweed Pods with Sambal Oelek Dipping Sauce

Serves 4

For the dipping sauce:

- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 3 T sambal oelek
- 1/2 lime, juiced

For the fried milkweed pods:

- 1 cup AP flour
- 1 T baking powder
- 1 t baking soda
- 1 t salt
- 1 bottle club soda-chilled
- 12 1-inch to 2-inch unopened milkweed pods
- Neutral oil for frying

Prepare the dipping sauce:

Put the mayonnaise, sambal oelek, and lime juice in a small bowl, and stir until combined.

Prepare the milkweed pods:

Combine the flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt in a mixing bowl. Slowly whisk in the cold club soda until it reaches the consistency of a thin pancake batter.

Pour 1 inch of oil into a wide, heavy pot. Heat the oil to about 350-375 degrees F over medium heat. If you don't have a thermometer, assess the temperature by dropping a tiny bit of batter into the oil. It should immediately float to the top and turn golden in about 8 seconds when the oil has reached the proper temperature.

Drop milkweed pods into the batter, then lift them out one by one, allowing excess batter to drip back into the bowl. Working in batches, slowly lower the milkweed pods into the oil. Do not overcrowd the pan. Fry the pods until golden and crunchy, 2 to 3 minutes. Remove with a slotted spoon to a plate lined with paper towels and sprinkle with salt. Repeat with the remaining milkweed pods.

Serve the warm fried milkweed pods with the sambal oelek mayo for dipping.

Peter and Ann are currently residing in the wilderness of Michigan's Upper Peninsula, surrounded by brown bears and a litter of baby wolves. □

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JukeRox plays the square in Pawnee at 7 p.m. this Saturday for Mikey Austin Day.

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NOW PLAYING | Tom Irwin

Here we go on into September, looking for ways to shed these pandemic blues. If we keep working together to get through this for the good of all, there will soon be some light at the end of the tunnel and then, hopefully, we get out of the whole dang tunnel completely.

For now, let's take a moment to commemorate Micky Shomidie, a Springfield-based, nationally touring musician and promoter who's been down a rough road and back. First, he lost a grown son in a tragic accident on the Sangamon River about two-and-a-half years ago. Then last year Micky was diagnosed with throat cancer and went through lots of radiation and chemo to finally knock back the big C, only to get in a bad car accident that forced him to need neck surgery soon. But if you know him, you know he, "has survived the good, the bad and the ugly," as he explained, just as he has throughout his career in music from age 14 to his upcoming 62nd birthday in September. For now, he's planning on retiring from the biz, with a long and satisfying run behind him of traveling the country playing in bands, putting out records and opening for some big-name acts along the way. As he put it in a text message to me, "I would not change a thing," and he added, "I want to thank all the fans and peers and venue owners who've supported me over the years." As a "parting gift," next spring he's releasing a live recording of one his most popular and enduring bands, Nasty Nasty.

Two other area musicians and longtime participants in the Springfield scene have taken on cancer crap and made it through. Reggie Britton, a creative force, singer-songwriter and drummer for Black Magic Johnson and a longtime Hired Hand with

me, plus the original drummer for Oysters Rockefeller, took a year or so to knock off his lymphoma case and just had a good gig last Monday on Labor Day at Trails End in Curran to celebrate his return to live music.

Nat Radwine found out in March 2019 he had a form of leukemia and after a year or more of treatments, he's doing much better and holding off the beast. As co-owner of the early to mid-80s version of Crow's Mill School (with his brother David), he brought all kinds of great live music to play the coolest stage in town. Nat also drums with The Emerald Underground, the area's premier Celtic Fusion band, plus has had a hand in promoting some awesome national music acts in our community over the years.

Another stalwart of the local music scene, entertainment agent and booking master Mikey Austin, is fighting stage 4 pancreatic cancer. This Saturday morning, Sept. 12, starting at 1854 Pub in Pawnee at 11, folks will be making a benefit ride for Mike, a Pawnee hometown boy. In the evening at 7, come hang around the Pawnee square, when JukeRox, a cover party band managed by Mikey's Entertainment and featuring his son Eric on drums, adds the finishing touches to Mikey Austin Day in Pawnee. There's a Facebook event spot for more information and friends have started a GoFundMe page to help out with expenses incurred while our guy fights the cancer crud.

I'm sure there are others going through health issues, and as we know, we've already lost too many musicians and related folks, so our best goes out to all. Please check our *Live Music* listings for all the other live music happening this week ☐

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Rogers & Nienhaus
Thursday, Sept. 10, 6 p.m.
Curve Inn

BAND SPOTLIGHT | Rogers & Nienhaus

it You would be hard-pressed to find a more dynamic duo than these two fine gentlemen who come with a true blue rock 'n' roll pedigree, including time spent as real "Byrds" and with other luminaries of the rock world. But better than their distinguished careers, is listening to them live in person, whether you know one bit about their past playing. Terry Jones Rogers and Scott Nienhaus have been performing music partners since meeting in 1993, when their mutual friend, (and ours too) Michael "Supe" Granda, urged them to both relocate to Nashville and work in the world-renowned music scene. Now based out of the St. Louis area, both artists are back playing again as a team after years of steady touring were interrupted by the global pandemic that has wreaked havoc on the live music scene everywhere. Expect excellent harmonies a la CSNY and the Byrds, accompanied by an extremely high level of musicianship all done while playing an insightful batch of original songs with a few rock classics tossed in for good measure.

Thursday Sep 10

Rogers and Nienhaus
The Curve Inn, 6-10pm

Friday Sep 11

NCR
2nd Friday on the Square, Mt. Pulaski, 8pm-12am

Jambalaya Jazz with Frank Parker
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

Wowie Zowie Duo
Casa Real Cocina Mexicana, 6-9pm

8up
Crows Mill Pub, 6:30-10:30pm

3s Company
The Curve Inn, 6:30pm

Harmony Deep
Lime Street Cafe, 8-11:30pm

Jones and Chase
Route 66 Motorheads Bar, Grill and Museum, 7-10pm

Positively 4th Street
Slaughterhouse Brewing Co., Auburn, 7-10pm

After School Special
West of Wise Winery, Petersburg, 6-8pm

Saturday Sep 12

Tad Derek O'Brien
3Sixteen Wine Bar, Chatham, 6-8pm

Percy Avenue
Boar's Nest, Athens, 6-9pm

Jeff Young and the Bad Grandpa's
The Corner Bar, Divernon, 8-11pm

Blues Ambassadors
Crows Mill Pub, 6:30-10:30pm

Brandy Kristin and the Revival
The Curve Inn, 6-10pm

Take a Break with Cowboy Randy
Facebook with Randy Erwin, 8-9pm

Harmony Deep
Lime Street Cafe, 8-11:30pm

JukeRox
Pawnee Square, Pawnee, 7pm

Conor McCormick
Route 66 Motorheads Bar, Grill and Museum, 7-10pm

Kit Jones and Jim Chase
Springfield Motor Boat Club, 7pm

Sunday Sep 13

Tom Beverly
3Sixteen Wine Bar, Chatham, 4-7pm

Johnnie Owens
Always After Five, 4-6pm

it Jonathan Field and Schy Willmore
It's All About Wine, 3-6pm

Mississippi Leghound
Locals Bar, Pawnee, 2pm

Ella Gibson
Route 66 Motorheads Bar, Grill and Museum, 11am-2pm

Monday Sep 14

it Drifter Kings
The Alamo, 7pm

Tuesday Sep 15

Tom's Turtle Tank Tuesdays
Facebook with Tom Irwin, 8:30pm

Wednesday Sep 16

Rick and Tom
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Me, Myself and Schy
Obel and Isaac's, 6pm

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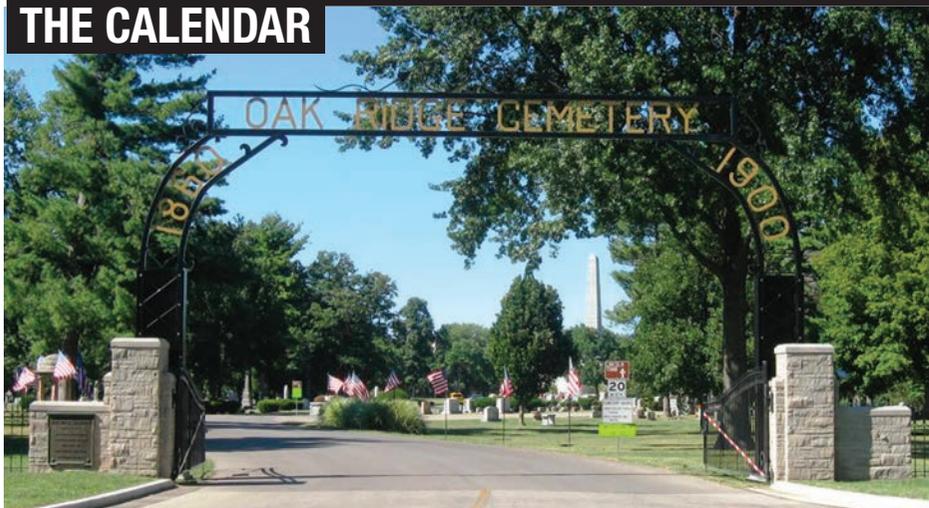


Mikey Austin Day Cancer Benefit

Saturday
September 12th @ 7pm
Pawnee, Illinois
Town Square



THE CALENDAR



Rededication ceremony

Sun., Sept. 13
2 p.m.
Oak Ridge Cemetery
1441 Monument Ave.
Block 10, Lot A
217-546-4242

HISTORY | Grand Army of the Republic Mound and Memorial Monument

it In the spring of 1891, the board of managers of Oak Ridge Cemetery set aside a plot of cemetery ground for the burial of Civil War Union Army veterans who did not have a family plot elsewhere. Known as the Grand Army of the Republic or GAR Mound, the plot received its first interment in September that year with the death of retired Army Cpl. Matthew C. Henry, formerly of Co. G, 130th Ill. Infantry. The memorial monument was completed in 1895 and the Grand Army of the Republic Stephenson Post #30 dedicated it that same year. The GAR Mound today is the resting place of 98 Civil War Union Army veterans including eight veterans from the United States Colored Troops. Local dignitaries along with members of the Veterans Memorial Foundation, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the 114th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry (Reactivated) will participate in the rededication ceremony of the mound and refurbished monument. While the ceremony is open to the public, a special invitation has also been extended to the descendants of those who are buried there.

THE CALENDAR

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■ Theater & Comedy

Comedy night on the lake

Thu., Sep. 10, 6:30-8pm. All ages are welcome, but keep in mind the language might get a little spicy. Featuring Kyle Fields, Josh Freeman, Richard Bailey and Rosa Speaker. Cinco ¡Sabores! Taco Bar, 17 Water's Edge Blvd., 217-787-4654.

■ Art & Architecture

Art Spectacular

Sat., Sep. 12, 10am-5pm and Sun., Sep. 13, 10am-4pm. Listen to music from the carillon while viewing the works of over 30 juried artists. Food truck on site. Face masks will be required, one-way traffic will be followed along with social

distancing and regular sanitizing. 217-306-1838. Thomas Rees Memorial Carillon, 1740 W. Fayette Ave., 217-546-3853.

Downtown Springfield Architecture Scavenger Hunt

Through Sep. 12, 4-7pm. To be entered to win a prize you must complete the scavenger hunt anytime from Sept. 8-12, correctly answer the hunt questions and include your contact information. See the Facebook event for more information. Springfield Visitors Center, 1 S. Old State Capitol Plaza, 800-545-7300.

Rosemary and Rod Buffington opening reception

Sat., Sep. 12, 6-8pm. The work of pastel artist Rosemary Buffington and the watercolor quilt paintings of Rod Buffington will be displayed. Capacity is limited to 50 people and masks are required. David Strawn Art Gallery, Jacksonville, 331 W. College Ave., 217-243-9390.

"Sacred & Liturgical" exhibition reception

Sat., Sep. 12, 5-7pm. With entrants from all over the nation, this juried

exhibit includes ceramics, fiber, glass, jewelry, metal, mixed media, painting, photography and sculpture. A unique opportunity to view and purchase original liturgical art. Socially distancing and mask are required. Free and open to the public. M.G. Nelson Family Gallery, 700 N. Fourth Street, 217-523-2631.

"Untied"

Through Oct. 30. An experimental exhibition and performance series that takes shape through the gradual contributions of five artists -- A.J. McClenon, Alejandro t. acierto, Katherine Simone Reynolds, Marina Peng and Ruby T. It can be experienced on site and at the website at untied.info. UIS Visual Arts Gallery, HSB 201, One University Plaza, 217-206-6506.

■ Food & Drink

Bites and Wild Night Art Walk

Sat., Sep. 19, 4-9pm. See the murals and sculptures The Pharmacy artists have been painting at the zoo. In addition to fabulous art, a dinner will be served. Reservations will be limited and

spread throughout the evening. Henson Robinson Zoo, 1100 E. Lake Shore Dr., 217-585-1821.

■ History

it Defy the Odds: Illinois Women and the Nineteenth Amendment

Thu., Sep. 10, 12pm. Join Anne Moseley of the Sangamon Experience at UIS as she tells the story of the women's suffrage movement in Illinois and the effort it took to secure the vote. This program highlights the exhibit at the Lincoln Heritage Museum at Lincoln College, "Defy the Odds." Free. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library, 112 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

Making Cloth and Clothing in the 19th Century

Tue., Sep. 15, 7-8pm. Join Erika Holst online for a walk through the "Fashioning Illinois" exhibition. Learn how cloth and clothing were made in the 19th century and the impact of textiles on early American life. See the Illinois State Museum's Facebook page for more info. Free. 706-207-7836.

■ Politics

it Voter registration

Sat., Sep. 12, 12-3pm and Tue., Sep. 22, 5-8pm. Please bring two forms of identification. Masks and social distancing will be required. Register. Vote.spiaahm.org. Springfield and Central Illinois African-American History Museum, 1440 Monument Ave., 217-391-6323.

■ Faith & Philosophy

GriefShare Grief Recovery Seminar

Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm. A Christ-centered, biblically based support group seminar. Includes a video presentation with experts, ministers and Christian counselors, followed by a small group discussion. Cost of workbook. Athens Christian Church, Athens, 1411 E. Route 29, 217-636-8463.

Wednesday Night Connection

Wednesdays, 5:45-7:30pm. Free blood pressure screenings. Supper is served 5:45-6:20 p.m. Classes for all ages meet 6:30-7:30 p.m. Nurseries provided. The gym will be open for students in grades 7-12 from 7:30-8:00 p.m. free. Athens Christian Church, Athens, 1411 E. Route 29, 217-636-8463.

Women's Conference

Sat., Sep. 12, 9am-2pm. "You Must Be Born Again" revival, renewal and restoration. Continental breakfast. CDC and state pandemic guidelines will be followed. Free. Table of Life

Ministries, 2600 S. Fifth St., 217-720-5100.

■ Holiday Happenings

Boo Crew Haunted House

Thursdays. The house will not be open, but the trail is longer and the scare factor has been upped. Advance online ticket purchases are highly recommended. Tickets sold in four, five and six packs. \$72-\$96 per pack. Recommended for ages 10+. Children's matinee Oct. 24. boocrew.com/info. Boo Crew Haunted House, Mechanicsburg, 11083 Buckhart Road, 217-551-6969.

■ Fundraisers

it Clean Food Car Tour

Sat., Sep. 12, 1-5pm. Free prizes and clean food at each stop on the tour. From Food Fantasies proceed to Project Southtown (Skank Skates), to Smoothie King, to Ace, to Jefferies Orchard and to Rolling Meadows Brewery. Music by Tom Irwin. CDC guidelines will be followed. Proceeds will benefit Project Southtown. Food Fantasies, 1512 Wabash Ave., 217-553-2243.

Donuts and Dogs 5K Fun Run

Through Sep. 30. Register online for this virtual 5K and get a chance to win prizes in several categories. apl-shelter.org. Animal Protective League, 1001 Taintor Road, 217-544-7387.

■ Children's Corner

Back-to-school day camp

Mondays-Fridays. A day camp and safe place for children to complete their remote schoolwork and participate in fun recreational activities. Full week, full day and half day options. The fee is determined by the attendance option. Registration required. Ages 5-12. springfieldparks.org. Nelson Center, 1601 N. Fifth St., 217-525-2589.

Barnyard Boogie

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■ Nature, Science & Environment

Friday Night Star Parties

Fridays, 8pm. Hosted by John Martin, UIS associate professor of astronomy/physics. Get tips on how

to find constellations and planets in the night sky. Time will be allowed for asking questions. Call or email for more info. asp@uis.edu. Free. 217-206-8342.

■ Bulletin Board

First Responder Cruise

Sat., Sep. 12, 1pm. To honor and show support for first responders. Starts at the north side parking lot at Horace Mann. Cruise by area police departments and fire houses. Ends at LaFiesta on Stevenson Drive. Social distancing and mask guidelines will be followed. route66cruisers.com. Horace Mann, 1 Horace Mann Plaza.

it Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Rededication

Sun., Sep. 13, 2pm. Members the Veterans Memorial Foundation, Sons of Union Veterans and the reactivated 114th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry will participate in the rededication of the memorial at Block 10, Lot A. 217-546-4242. Oak Ridge Cemetery, 1441 Monument Ave., 217-789-2340.

Junior Livestock Expo

Sep. 11-13 and Sep. 18-20. Beef, sheep, dairy goats, pygmy goats and rabbits will all show Sept. 11-13. Swine, dairy cattle and meat goats will have their turn in the show ring on Sept. 18-20. Illinois State Fairgrounds, 801 Sangamon Ave., 217-782-6661.

Ride to Remember

Sun., Sep. 13, 10am. In honor of the first responders and heroes of 9/11. Line up at 9am. The ride will proceed to the 9/11 memorial on the Capitol grounds where a color guard will be posted as the riders pass by them in lieu of a traditional ceremony. Hall's Harley Davidson, 2301 N. Dirksen Pkwy., 217-528-8356.

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Improvements: Single Family Residential

The property will NOT be open for inspection prior to the sale and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property.

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One of Plaintiff's Attorneys
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Randal S. Berg (6277119), Michael N. Burke (6291435), Christopher A. Cieniawa (6187452), Joseph

M. Herbas (6277645), Michael Kalkowski (6185654), Laura J. Anderson (6224385), Jenna R. Vondran (6308109), Thomas Belczak (6193705), Debra Miller (6205477) THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IF YOUR PERSONAL LIABILITY FOR THIS DEBT HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED BY A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY OR BY AN ORDER GRANTING IN REM RELIEF FROM STAY, THIS NOTICE IS PROVIDED SOLELY TO FORECLOSE THE MORTGAGE REMAINING ON YOUR PROPERTY AND IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT THE DISCHARGED PERSONAL OBLIGATION.
19CH201

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD ILLINOIS

U.S. Bank National Association, as indenture trustee, for the holders of the CIM Trust 2017-7, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2017-7, Plaintiff, vs.

Gregory W. Small, Sr., AKA Gregory W. Small; Keena R. Small; RRA CP Opportunity Trust 1; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants. Case No. 2019CH000276
330 South State Street, Springfield, IL 62704

Judge Gail L. Noll

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on January 15, 2020, Jack Campbell will on September 29, 2020, at the hour of 9:00AM at the Sangamon County Sheriff's Office, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Second Floor, Springfield, IL 62703, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate: Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Commonly known as 330 South State Street, Springfield, IL 62704
Parcel Number(s): 14-33.0-130-011
The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence.

Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or certified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar funds. The subject property 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. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than the mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

For information call Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601. Phone number: 312-651-6700. Attorney file number: 18-038048.
Alan S. Kaufman
MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC
Attorneys for Plaintiff
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19CH276

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC., PLAINTIFF

vs. STEPHEN R. GARMAN; JACQUELIN M. GARMAN; RUTLEDGE JOINT VENTURES, LLC, D/B/A HERITAGE HEALTH; LVNV FUNDING, LLC; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS

19 CH 388
Judge Ryan Cadigan
Address: 914 East Wood Avenue
Springfield, IL 62702
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on August 5, 2020, I, Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois, will on October 13, 2020 at the hour of 9:00 AM at the Sangamon County Building, 200 S. Ninth St., Springfield, IL 62701, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Sangamon, State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
COMMON ADDRESS: 914 East Wood Avenue, Springfield, IL 62702
P.I.N.: 14-22.0-259-001

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

THE JUDGMENT AMOUNT WAS: \$51,267.86

Sale terms: 25% down by certified funds; the balance, by certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to 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. 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 and Plaintiff makes no representations as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information. Pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/15-1512, the amounts of any surplus bid will be held by the sheriff until a party obtains a Court Order for its distribution, or for 60 days following the date of the entry of the order confirming sale, at which time, in the absence of an order directing payment of the surplus, it may be automatically forfeited to the State without further notice.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Johnson, Blumberg & Associates, LLC, 230 West Monroe, Chicago, IL 60606, telephone 312-541-9710. Please refer to file number IL 19 7643.

Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC 230 W. Monroe Street, Suite 1125

Chicago, Illinois 60606
Email: ilpleadings@johnsonblumberg.com
Ph. 312-541-9710 / Fax 312-541-9711
JB&A # IL 19 7643
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

-v.- JASON D. VOYLES, CHRISTINA M. VOYLES

Defendant

19 CH 358

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 15, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on September 28, 2020, at the Do Realty Services, 600 S 6th Street, SPRINGFIELD, IL, 62701, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 1907 N. 10TH ST., SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702
Property Index No. 14-22.0-252-019 fka 14-22-252-019

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$45,081.20. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the 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 residential 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 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 will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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 this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If 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 YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT

TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

For information, HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 393474.

THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC

111 East Main Street DECATUR IL, 62523

217-422-1719

Fax #: 217-422-1754

E-Mail: Non-CookPleadings@hsbattys.com

Attorney File No. 393474

Case Number: 19 CH 358

TJSC#: 40-1980

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Case # 19 CH 358

PUBLIC NOTICES

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

BETTY ANDERSON, DECEASED

NO. 20-P-373

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Betty Anderson. Letters of Office were issued on August 13, 2020, to Roger Anderson, 5010 Kinsinger Lane, Pleasant Plains, IL 62677.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S 9th St #405, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the legal representative of Roger Anderson, or both, on or before the 30th day of February 2021, 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 legal representative and to the attorneys within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated: August 27, 2020.

Attorney Carrie Magerl

Attorney for Independent Executor

Magerl Law Office

114 East Second Street, P.O. Box 81

Beardstown, IL 62618-0081

Telephone: (217) 323-3305

magerllawoffice@gmail.com

NO. 20-P-373

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

JAYNE A. MILLER, deceased.

Case No. 2020-P-397

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS

Notice is given in the death of Jayne A. Miller of Springfield, Illinois. Letters of office were issued to Richard J. Miller, whose address is 3401 Raspberry Court, Springfield, Illinois 62711 on August 17, 2020.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701 or with the representative or both, within 6 months from the date of this publication 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 for the estate identified below within 10 days after it has been filed.

DATED August 17, 2020.

Richard J. Miller, Administrator

BY: /s/ James P. Baker

Their Attorney

Prepared by:

James P. Baker

ARDC No. 97802

Baker, Baker & Krajewski LLC

415 South Seventh Street

Springfield, Illinois 62701

(217) 522-3445

(probate)millerclaims.08172020)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

ESTATE OF:

GEORGE W. CRAWFORD, Jr., Deceased.

No.: 2020 P 348

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of GEORGE W. CRAWFORD, Jr., Deceased, Letters of Office were issued on August 24, 2020,

to Pamela R. Crawford, whose address is 19 Carl Street, Riverton, IL 62561 as Personal Representative.

The Estate will be administered without Court supervision, under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1979, Ch. 110 ½ par. 28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the Personal 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 personal representative within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

DATED this 25th day of August, 2020.

PAMELA R. CRAWFORD, Personal Representative of the Estate of GEORGE W. CRAWFORD, Jr., Deceased.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN RE THE ESTATE OF

MARY LOUISE LYONS, DECEASED

Case No. 2020-P-000436

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the death of MARY LOUISE LYONS. Letters Testamentary were issued on August 19, 2020, appointing MARCUS SCHNETZ, of 2800 Via Rosso Street, Unit 631, Springfield, Illinois 62703, as Executor, whose attorney is Matthew R. Trapp of Giffin, Winning, Cohen & Bodewes, P.C., One West Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 600 ~ Myers Building, Springfield, Illinois 62701, Phone: (217) 525-1571.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Circuit Court, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, within 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 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated: August 19, 2020

Clerk of the Circuit Court

200 South Ninth Street

Springfield, IL 62701

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN RE THE ESTATE OF:

ZADA MAE SADICK-RAJI, Deceased.

No. 2020 P 430

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is of the death of Zada Mae Sadick-Raji of Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Administration were issued on August 11, 2020, to Raina Sadick-Raji, whose address is 1927 S. 7th Street, Springfield, IL 62703, as Administrator, and whose attorney is GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL, 1231 South Eighth Street, Springfield, IL, 62703.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the repre-

sentative, 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: August 20, 2020.

James R. Enlow(#6199891)

GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL

Attorneys at Law

1231 South Eighth Street

Springfield, Illinois 62703

Telephone: (217) 522.9010

Facsimile: (217) 522.9020

Email: jim@gwspc.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

RONALD J. BALDER, DECEASED

Case No. 2020 P 428

CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of RONALD J. BALDER. Letters of Office were issued on August 11, 2020, to CHRISTOPHER T. BALDER, of 4561 Tolliver Road, New Berlin, IL 62670, as Independent Administrator with the Will Annexed whose Attorney is JAMES R. ENLOW, of Gates Wise Schlosser & Goebel, 1231 South Eighth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 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: August 20, 2020.

James R. Enlow (#6199891)

GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL

Attorneys at Law

1231 South Eighth Street

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

BRENDA SCHLEYHAHN, Deceased.

No. 2020-P-375

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of BRENDA SCHLEYHAHN of Springfield, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on August 17, 2020 to SUSAN TOLLEY as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Monroe D. McWard of McWard Law Office, 107 South Washington Street, Taylorville, Illinois 62568.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, County Building Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before February 18, 2021, which date is not less than six 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 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 20th day of August, 2020

SUSAN TOLLEY as Independent Executor

of the Estate of BRENDA SCHLEYHAHN
By: Monroe D. McWard
Monroe D. McWard, Attorney for
Executor
Monroe D. McWard
McWARD LAW OFFICE
107 South Washington Street
Taylorville, IL 62568
mdmcward@mcwardlaw.com (217)
824-2900
Reg. No. 06190799

STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
JAMES E. WETHERELL, DECEASED.
NO. 2020-P-441
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS
NOTICE TO HEIRS AND LEGATEES
Notice is given of the death of JAMES
E. WETHERELL, of Springfield, Illinois.
Letters of Office were issued on August
24, 2020, to AMY TEETER of 515 Walker
Ridge, Rochester, Illinois, whose attorney
is Rammelkamp Bradney, P.C., 741
South Grand Avenue West, Springfield,
Illinois 62704.

Claims against the Estate may be filed
in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at
Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S
9th St., Springfield, IL 62701 or with the
representative, or both, within 6 months
from the 3rd day of September, 2020,
being the date of first publication of this
Notice and any claim not filed within
that period is barred. Copies of a claim
filed with the Clerk must be mailed or
delivered to the representative and to the
attorney within 10 days after it has been
filed.

E-filing is now mandatory for docu-
ments in civil cases with limited exemp-
tions. To e-file, you must first create
an account with an e-filing service
provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.html> to learn more
and to select a service provider. If you
need additional help or have trouble e-
filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp> or talk with your local
circuit clerk's office.

Dated this 24th day of August, 2020.
AMY TEETER, Executor of the Estate of
JAMES E. WETHERELL, Deceased
BY: RAMMELKAMP BRADNEY, P.C.
By: /s/ Anthony J. DelGiorno
Anthony J. DelGiorno Attorney
Attorneys for Estate:
Anthony J. DelGiorno
IARDC: 6277358
Rammelkamp Bradney, P.C.
741 South Grand Avenue West
Springfield, IL 62704
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Email: Tony@rblawyers.net

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

IN RE THE ESTATE OF:
MARY HUDSON, Deceased.
No. 2020-P-451
CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of MARY
HUDSON, who died on April 5, 2020, in
Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of
Administration were issued on August
19, 2020, to SHANNON BITTNER of
Springfield, Illinois, as Executor, whose
attorney is Jonathan T. Nessler of the
Law Offices of Frederick W. Nessler &
Associates, Ltd., 536 North Bruns Lane,
Suite One, Springfield, Illinois 62703.
Claims against the Estate may be filed
in the Office of the Clerk of the Court,
Sangamon County Circuit Clerk, 200
South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois

62701, or with the representative or
both on or before September 3, 2020,
and any claim not filed by such date is
barred. Copies of a claim filed with the
Clerk must be mailed or delivered to
the representative and to the attorney
within ten (10) days after it has been
filed.

Dated this 25th day of August, 2020.
Jonathan T. Nessler
NESSLER & ASSOCIATES, LTD.
536 North Bruns Lane, Suite One
Springfield, IL 62702
(217)698-0202

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the Petition of
AUJANAE' ESSENCE WHITESIDE
For change of name to
ESSENCIO TYVELL WHITESIDE
Case NO.: 2019-MR-767
PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that on
October 20, 2020 I will petition in said
Court praying for the change of name
from AUJANAE' ESSENCE WHITESIDE to
ESSENCIO TYVELL WHITESIDE pursuant
to the statute in such case made and
provided.
Dated: August 27, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the Petition of
BRANDON MICHAEL LOVETT
For change of name to
VICTOR MICHAEL PALOZZOLO
Case NO.: 2020-MR-437
PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that on
October 20, 2020 I will petition in said
Court praying for the change of name
from BRANDON MICHAEL LOVETT to
VICTOR MICHAEL PALOZZOLO pursuant
to the statute in such case made and
provided.
Dated: September 3, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the Petition of
MI LEAH MARIA DAVIS
For change of name to
MI LEAH MARIA GALLAHER
Case NO.: 2020-MR-542
PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that on
November 17, 2020 I will petition in
said Court praying for the change of
name from MI LEAH MARIA DAVIS to MI
LEAH MARIA GALLAHER pursuant to the
statute in such case made and provided.
Dated: September 10, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the Petition of
KRITANUT PAIBOONSRIWATTANA
For change of name to
KRIS PAIBOONSRIWATTANA
Case NO.: 2020-MR-789
PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that on
October 20, 2020 I will petition in said
Court praying for the change of name
from KRITANUT PAIBOONSRIWAT-
TANA to
KRIS PAIBOONSRIWATTANA pursuant
to the statute in such case made and
provided.
Dated: September 10, 2020

19-090701
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD,
ILLINOIS
MIDFIRST BANK, PLAINTIFF,
-vs-
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND/OR LEGATEES OF
JUANITA MONTGOMERY A/K/A JUANITA
J. MONTGOMERY, DECEASED; DAVID O.
EDWARDS, AS INDEPENDENT ADMINIS-
TRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF JUANITA J.
MONTGOMERY, DECEASED; UNKNOWN
HEIRS AND/OR LEGATEES OF MARK K.
VINCENT, DECEASED; UNKNOWN SUC-
CESSOR TRUSTEE TO MARK K. VINCENT,
ATTORNEY AT LAW, AS TRUSTEE; AVCO
FINANCIAL SERVICES; UNKNOWN OWN-
ERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS;
UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS, DEFENDANTS
NO. 19 CH 201
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Public Notice is hereby given that
pursuant to a Judgment entered in the
above entitled matter on August 19,
2020;

Jack L Campbell, Sheriff, #1 Sheriff's
Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701, will on
October 20, 2020 at 9:00 AM, at
Sangamon County Building, Sangamon
County Board Room, 2nd Floor, 200
South 9th Street Springfield, IL 62701,
sell to the highest bidder for ten percent
(10%) at the time of sale and the bal-
ance within twenty-four (24) hours, the
following described premises situated in
Sangamon County, Illinois.
Said sale shall be subject to general
taxes, special assessments or special
taxes levied against said real estate and
any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The
subject property is offered for sale with-
out any representation as to quality or
quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff
and in "AS IS" condition.

Upon the sale being held and the
purchaser tendering said bid in certified
funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued
and/or a Certificate of Sale as required,
which will entitle the purchaser to a
deed upon confirmation of said sale by
the Court.
Said property is legally described as
follows:
LOT FIFTEEN (15) IN BLOCK ONE
(1) IN EASTGATE, A SUBDIVISION OF
LOTS FOURTEEN (14), EIGHTEEN (18)
AND NINETEEN (19) AND PART OF
LOT TWENTY-TWO (22) OF KEYS AND
MATHENY'S SUBDIVISION, EXCEPT THE
COAL AND MINERALS UNDERLYING
SAID LAND. SITUATED IN SANGAMON
COUNTY, ILLINOIS.
Commonly known as 800 South 23rd
Street, Springfield, IL 62703
Permanent Index No.: 14-35.0-405-005
Improvements: Single Family
Residential

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ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701
(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORE-
CLOSURE LAW.

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MidFirst Bank
One of Plaintiff's Attorneys
Shapiro Kreisman & Associates, LLC
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-vs-
Randal S. Berg (6277119), Michael
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A. Cieniawa (6187452), Joseph M.
Herbas (6277645), Michael Kalkowski
(6185654), Laura J. Anderson
(6224385), Jenna R. Vondran (6308109),
Thomas Belczak (6193705), Debra
Miller (6205477)
THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A
DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED
WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IF YOUR PER-
SONAL LIABILITY FOR THIS DEBT HAS
BEEN EXTINGUISHED BY A DISCHARGE
IN BANKRUPTCY OR BY AN ORDER
GRANTING IN REM RELIEF FROM STAY,
THIS NOTICE IS PROVIDED SOLELY TO
FORECLOSE THE MORTGAGE REMAINING
ON YOUR PROPERTY AND IS NOT AN AT-
TEMPT TO COLLECT THE DISCHARGED
PERSONAL OBLIGATION.
19CH201

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEV-
ENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD
ILLINOIS
U.S. Bank National Association, as
indenture trustee, for the holders of the
CIM Trust 2017-7, Mortgage-Backed
Notes, Series 2017-7, Plaintiff,
vs.
Gregory W. Small, Sr., AKA Gregory W.
Small; Keena R. Small; RRA CP Op-
portunity Trust 1; Unknown Owners and
Non-Record Claimants, Defendants.
Case No. 2019CH000276
330 South State Street, Springfield, IL
62704

Judge Gail L. Noll
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that
pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure
and Sale entered in the above entitled
cause on January 15, 2020, Jack
Campbell will on September 29, 2020,
at the hour of 9:00AM at the Sangamon
County Sheriff's Office, Sangamon
County Courthouse, 200 South 9th
Street, Second Floor, Springfield, IL
62703, sell to the highest bidder for
cash, the following described mort-
gaged real estate:
Lot 2 in Block 1 in French's Addition to
the City of Springfield.

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.
Commonly known as 330 South State
Street, Springfield, IL 62704
Parcel Number(s): 14-33.0-130-011
The real estate is improved with a
Single Family Residence.
Sale terms: Bidders must present, at
the time of sale, a cashier's or certified
check for 10% of the successful bid
amount. The balance of the successful
bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by
similar funds. The subject property is
offered for sale without any representa-
tion 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.
The property will NOT be open for
inspection.
If this property is a condominium unit,
the purchaser of the unit at the fore-
closure sale, other than the mortgagee
shall pay the assessments and the
legal fees required by the Condominium
Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and
(g)(4).

For information call Plaintiff's Attorney,
Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, One East

Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601.
Phone number: 312-651-6700. Attorney
file number: 18-038048.
Alan S. Kaufman
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19CH276

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEV-
ENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois
banking corporation, successor by
merger to Illini Bank, Plaintiff,
vs.
ROBERT E. BARNOSKY, GEORGIA BAR-
NOSKY, CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS,
a municipal corporation, UNKNOWN
OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.
No. 2020CH000136
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION
Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN
OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS
of the real estate described below,
Defendants in the above-entitled case,
pursuant to the provisions of Sections
2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502 of the
Code of Civil Procedure, that the above-
entitled mortgage foreclosure suit is
now pending in said court and the day
on or after which a default may be
entered against Defendants is October
2, 2020.

Plaintiff has certified the following
regarding said foreclosure action filed
on August 19, 2020.
1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case
Number are as follows: United Commu-
nity Bank, an Illinois banking corpora-
tion; successor by merger to Illini Bank,
Case No. 2020CH000136
2. The court in which said action was
brought is as follows: Circuit Court for
the Seventh Judicial Circuit, Sangamon
County, Illinois
3. The names of the title holders of
record are: Robert E. Barnosky and
Georgia Barnosky
4. A legal description of the real estate
sufficient to identify it with reasonable
certainty is as follows:
Tract 99 of Charles S. Wanless' South
First Street Courts, a subdivision of part
of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter
of Section 4, Township 15 North Range
5 West of the Third Principal Meridian
and part of Tract 98 of said subdivision
described as follows: Beginning at the
Southwest Corner of said Tract 98,
thence North 50.50 feet; thence East
3.00 feet; thence South 50.00 feet;
thence West 3.00 feet to the point of
beginning.
Except all coal underlying said land.

5. A common address or description of
the location of the real estate is as fol-
lows: 66 Ruth Court, Springfield, Illinois
6. An identification of the mortgage
sought to be foreclosed is as follows:
Name of Mortgagor: Robert E. Barnosky
and Georgia Barnosky
Name of Mortgagee: Illini Bank
Date of Mortgage: October 2, 2003
Date of recording: October 21, 2003
County where recorded: Sangamon
County, Illinois
Recording document identification:
Document No. 2003R75400
/s/ Paul Palazzolo
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP
Emmet A. Fairfield
Registration No. 6180505
205 S. 5th Street – Suite 1000

Date of Mortgage: November 6, 2013
Date of recording: November 12, 2013
County where recorded: Sangamon
Recording document identification:
Document No. 2013R36196
/s/ Paul Palazzolo
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEV-
ENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois
banking corporation, Plaintiff,
vs.
DAVID A. STADE, UNKNOWN OWN-
ERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.
No. 2020CH000143

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION
Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN
OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS
of the real estate described below,
Defendants in the above-entitled case,
pursuant to the provisions of Sections
2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502 of the
Code of Civil Procedure, that the above-
entitled mortgage foreclosure suit is
now pending in said court and the day
on or after which a default may be
entered against Defendants is October
9, 2020.
Plaintiff has certified the following
regarding said foreclosure action filed
on August 27, 2020.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case
Number are as follows: United Commu-
nity Bank, an Illinois banking corpora-
tion; Case No. 2020CH000143
2. The court in which said action was
brought is as follows: Circuit Court for
the Seventh Judicial Circuit, Sangamon
County, Illinois
3. The name of the title holder of record
is: David A. Stade
4. A legal description of the real estate
sufficient to identify it with reasonable
certainty is as follows:
The West Half of Lot 33 of Wanless'
Bergen Park Addition to the City of
Springfield, Illinois, according to the Plat
thereof recorded November 28, 1916, in
Book 4 of Plats at Page 40. in the Office
of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon
County, Illinois.

Except any interest in the coal, oil, gas
and other minerals underlying the land
which have been heretofore conveyed
or reserved in prior conveyances, and
all rights and easements in favor of the
estate of said coal, oil, gas and other
minerals, if any.
Situated in SANGAMON COUNTY, IL-
LINOIS.
5. A common address or description
of the location of the real estate is as
follows: 3101 E. Carpenter Street,
Springfield, IL
6. An identification of the mortgage
sought to be foreclosed is as follows:
Name of Mortgagor: David A. Stade
Name of Mortgagee: United Community
Bank
Date of Mortgage: November 6, 2013
Date of recording: November 12, 2013
County where recorded: Sangamon
Recording document identification:
Document No. 2013R36196
/s/ Paul Palazzolo
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEV-
ENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WEST CENTRAL BANK, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff, vs. RYAN E. LOUIS, a/k/a Ryan Louis, GROW PROPERTIES, LTD., an Illinois corporation, HRL PROPERTIES & MANAGEMENT, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company, KARA VERCHOTA, MICHAEL VERCHOTA, JUDITH LOUIS, a/k/a Judith L. Louis, FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK OF CHAMPAIGN-URBANA, STATE BANK OF BEMENT, LONGVIEW BANK, CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a municipal corporation, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS of the real estate described below, Defendants in the above-entitled case, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that the above-entitled mortgage foreclosure suit is now pending in said court and the day on or after which a default may be entered against Defendants is September 30, 2020. Plaintiff has certified the following regarding said foreclosure action filed on August 17, 2020.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case Number are as follows: West Central Bank, an Illinois banking corporation; Case No. 2020CH000134

2. The court in which said action was brought is as follows: Circuit Court for the Seventh Judicial Circuit, Sangamon County, Illinois

3. The names of the title holders of record are: Count I: Ryan Louis; Count II: Grow Properties, Ltd., an Illinois corporation; Count III: Grow Properties, Ltd., an Illinois corporation; Count IV: HRL Properties & Management, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company; Count V: HRL Properties & Management, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company

4. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: Lot 22 of Wanless East Monroe Street Addition to the City of Springfield, Illinois.

Except all coal and other minerals underlying said lands, together with the right to mine and remove same. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax ID No.: 14-35-201-048

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 2209 E. Adams Street, Springfield, IL

6. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: Name of Mortgagor: Ryan E. Louis Name of Mortgagee: West Central Bank Date of Mortgage: June 26, 2014 Date of recording: July 1, 2014 County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2014R16929 Count II:

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

The South 48 feet of the North 92 feet of Lot 9 and the South 48 feet of the North 92 feet of the West 30 feet of Lot 8 in Block 3 of Lamme & Hickman's Addition to the City of Springfield, Illinois.

Except all coal and other minerals underlying said lands, together with the right to mine and remove same. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax ID No.: 14-33-282-022

Parcel II: The North 44 feet of Lot 9 and the North 44 feet of the West 30 feet of Lot 8 in Block 3 of Lammje's & Hickman's Addition to the

City of Springfield. Except all coal and other minerals underlying said lands, together with the right to mine and remove same.

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax ID No.: 14-33-282-023

8. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 232 W. Edwards, Springfield, IL

9. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: Name of Mortgagor: Grow Properties, Ltd., an Illinois corporation

Name of Mortgagee: West Central Bank Date of Mortgage: October 22, 2013 Date of recording: October 30, 2013 County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2013R35147 Count III:

10. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: Lot 1202 of Harvard Park Third Plat, being a subdivision situated in the Northeast Quarter of Section 10 and the Northwest Quarter of Section 11, all in Township 15 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian.

Except all coal and other minerals underlying said lands, together with the right to mine and remove same. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax ID No.: 22-11-152-005

11. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 1804 E. Stanford Avenue, Springfield, IL

12. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: Name of Mortgagor: Grow Properties, Ltd., an Illinois corporation

Name of Mortgagee: West Central Bank Date of Mortgage: May 12, 2016 Date of recording: May 19, 2016 County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2016R12361 Count IV:

13. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: Parcel 1:

Lot 3 of Charles S. Wanless' East Adams Street Subdivision to the City of Springfield, as platted by plat recorded in Book 15 of Plats at Page 17 in the Recorder's Office of Sangamon County, Illinois.

Except all coal, minerals and mining rights heretofore conveyed or reserved of record. Tax ID No.: 14-35-201-042

Parcel 2: Lot Thirteen (13) in Block Three (3) in Spaulding's South Park Addition.

Except all coal and other minerals underlying said lands, together with the right to mine and remove same. Tax ID No.: 22-03-278-014

14. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: Parcel 1: 2167 E. Adams, Springfield, IL; Parcel 2: 1828 S. 16th Street, Springfield, IL

15. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: Name of Mortgagor: Ryan Louis Name of Mortgagee: West Central Bank Date of Mortgage: December 1, 2011 Date of recording: December 6, 2011 County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2011R41357 Count V:

16. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: Lot Six (6) and the South 1½ feet of Lot Five (5) in Block Five (5) of Frank Osburn's Addition to the City of Springfield.

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax

ID No.: 14-28-178-023 17. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 833 N. Walnut Street, Springfield, IL

18. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: Name of Mortgagor: HRL Properties & Management, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company

Name of Mortgagee: West Central Bank Date of Mortgage: August 22, 2013 Date of recording: September 4, 2013 County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2013R29178

/s/ Paul Palazzolo CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Emmet A. Fairfield Registration No. 6180505 205 S. 5th Street – Suite 1000 P.O. Box 2459 Springfield, IL 62705 (217) 544-8491 efafield@bhsllaw.com 19CH134

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC., PLAINTIFF vs.

STEPHEN R. GARMAN; JACQUELIN M. GARMAN; RUTLEDGE JOINT VENTURES, LLC, D/B/A HERITAGE HEALTH; LVNV FUNDING, LLC; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS

19 CH 388 Judge Ryan Cadigan Address: 914 East Wood Avenue Springfield, IL 62702

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on August 5, 2020, I, Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois, will on October 13, 2020 at the hour of 9:00 AM at the Sangamon County Building, 200 S. Ninth St., Springfield, IL 62701, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Sangamon, State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

THE NORTH HALF OF LOT FOUR (4) IN BLOCK SIX (6) IN CATHERINE WOOD'S SECOND SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTH PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION TWENTY-TWO (22), TOWNSHIP SIXTEEN (16) NORTH, RANGE FIVE (5) WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN.

EXCEPT ALL COAL AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING SAID LANDS, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT TO MINE AND REMOVE SAME. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

COMMON ADDRESS: 914 East Wood Avenue, Springfield, IL 62702 P.I.N.: 14-22.0-259-001

The real estate is improved with a single family residence. THE JUDGMENT AMOUNT WAS: \$51,267.86

Sale terms: 25% down by certified funds; the balance, by certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to 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.

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 and Plaintiff makes no representations as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

Pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/15-1512, the amounts of any surplus bid will be held by the sheriff until a party obtains a Court Order for its distribution, or for 60 days following the date of the entry of the order confirming sale, at which time, in the absence of an order directing payment of the surplus, it may be automatically forfeited to the State without further notice.

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 FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Johnson, Blumberg & Associates, LLC, 230 West Monroe, Chicago, IL 60606, telephone 312-541-9710. Please refer to file number IL 19 7643.

Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC 230 W. Monroe Street, Suite 1125 Chicago, Illinois 60606 Email: iplleadings@johnsonblumberg.com Ph. 312-541-9710 / Fax 312-541-9711 JB&A # IL 19 7643 13155644

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, -v-

JASON D. VOYLES, CHRISTINA M. VOYLES Defendant 19 CH 358

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 15, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on September 28, 2020, at the Do Realty Services, 600 S 6th Street, SPRINGFIELD, IL, 62701, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

The South Half of Lot 9 in Block 4 of CATHERINE WOOD'S SECOND SUBDIVISION of the South part of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian.

Except all coal, minerals and mining rights heretofore conveyed or reserved of record. Situated in SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Commonly known as 1907 N. 10TH ST., SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702

Property Index No. 14-22.0-252-019 fka 14-22-252-019

The real estate is improved with a single family residence. The judgment amount was \$45,081.20. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the 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 residential 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 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 will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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 this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If 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 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 FORECLOSURE LAW.

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

For information, HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 393474.

THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC 111 East Main Street DECATUR IL, 62523 217-422-1719 Fax #: 217-422-1754 E-Mail: Non-CookPleadings@hsbattys.com

Attorney File No. 393474 Case Number: 19 CH 358 TJSC#: 40-1980

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Case # 19 CH 358

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

IN THE MATTER OF DALTON EDWARDS, Minor Child No. 2020-P-000004596

To: All Persons Having A Right To Notice:

Please be notified that Shane Mercer has filed a Petition for the Guardianship of the Estate and Person of Dalton Edwards, a minor child.

You are required to answer said Petition before August 31, 2020 or be defaulted by the Court thereafter.

Dated: August 27, 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Green Dodge, Kia, Subaru, has the intent to enforce a mechanic's lien pursuant to Chapter 770 IL50/3 unless payment has been received within 30 days of the date of this letter. The last recorded ownership was: Courtney Smith, 1 Candlewood Dr. Apt 4, Springfield, Sangamon County, IL 62704. The last recorded lienholder was: Global Lending Services LLC, PO Box 311, Williamsville, NY 14231. Vehicle information: Vin# 4S4BRCKC2A3340530, 2010 Subaru Outback, Title # 19357690680. Amount of repair order: \$ 3830.07 + 650.00 storage fee for a total amount of \$4480.07. No payments have been made at this time. Date of repair order: 3/20/20. The intended sale date is September 28, 2020 if there is no response of payment received.

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

In the matter of the Petition of KELSIE MAREE HUGHES For change of name to KELSIE MAREE NATION Case No.: 2020-MR-762 PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on November 17, 2020 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from KELSIE MAREE HUGHES to KELSIE MAREE NATION pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.

Dated: September 10, 2020

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

In the interest of DONALD WILLIS, a minor Case No: 20-JA-58 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN FATHER, DONALD WILLIS, respondent, and to all whom it may concern, that on February 26, 2020 a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by State's Attorney's Office in this court and that in courtroom of Judge Karen Tharp or any judge sitting in her stead in Room 7A of Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, on OCTOBER 7, 2020 at 11:00 AM hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADIPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, AN ORDER OR JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE PETITION. UNLESS YOU APPEAR AT THE HEARING, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN THIS CASE, INCLUDING THE FILING OF AN AMENDED PETITION OR MOTION TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS.

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

In the interest of JULIAN EDWARDS-NAVA

AND CICILEE NAVA, minors
Case No: 19-JA-70-71
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
NOTICE IS GIVEN UNKNOWN FATHERS, respondents, and to all whom it may concern, that on July 15, 2020 a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by State's Attorney's Office in this court and that in courtroom of Judge Karen Tharp or any judge sitting in her stead in Room 7A of Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, on OCTOBER 8, 2020 at 9:00 AM hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minors declared to be wards of the court and for other relief under the Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINORS. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILDREN. UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, AN ORDER OR JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE PETITION. UNLESS YOU APPEAR AT THE HEARING, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN THIS CASE, INCLUDING THE FILING OF AN AMENDED PETITION OR MOTION TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the interest of KAYLA GETTINGS, a minor
Case No: 17-JA-71
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
NOTICE IS GIVEN UNKNOWN FATHERS, respondents, and to all whom it may concern, that on August 26, 2020 a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by State's Attorney's Office in this court and that in courtroom of Judge Karen Tharp or any judge sitting in her stead in Room 7A of Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, on OCTOBER 1, 2020 at 8:30 AM hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, AN ORDER OR JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE PETITION. UNLESS YOU APPEAR AT THE HEARING, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN THIS CASE, INCLUDING THE FILING OF AN AMENDED PETITION OR MOTION TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the interest of I'YONNA HARRIS, a minor
Case No: 15-JA-130
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
NOTICE IS GIVEN CHRISTYEN BARNER AND UNKNOWN FATHERS, respondents, and to all whom it may concern, that on September 10, 2019 a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by State's Attorney's Office in this court and that in courtroom of Judge Karen Tharp or any judge sitting in her stead in Room 7A of Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street,

Springfield, Illinois, on SEPTEMBER 28, 2020 at 3:00 PM hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, AN ORDER OR JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE PETITION. UNLESS YOU APPEAR AT THE HEARING, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN THIS CASE, INCLUDING THE FILING OF AN AMENDED PETITION OR MOTION TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the interest of PHELAN CHAPPELL III, a minor
Case No: 18-JA-234
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
NOTICE IS GIVEN UNKNOWN FATHERS, respondents, and to all whom it may concern, that on January 30, 2020 a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by State's Attorney's Office in this court and that in courtroom of Judge Karen Tharp or any judge sitting in her stead in Room 7A of Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, on OCTOBER 15, 2020 at 1:30 PM hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, AN ORDER OR JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE PETITION. UNLESS YOU APPEAR AT THE HEARING, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN THIS CASE, INCLUDING THE FILING OF AN AMENDED PETITION OR MOTION TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS.

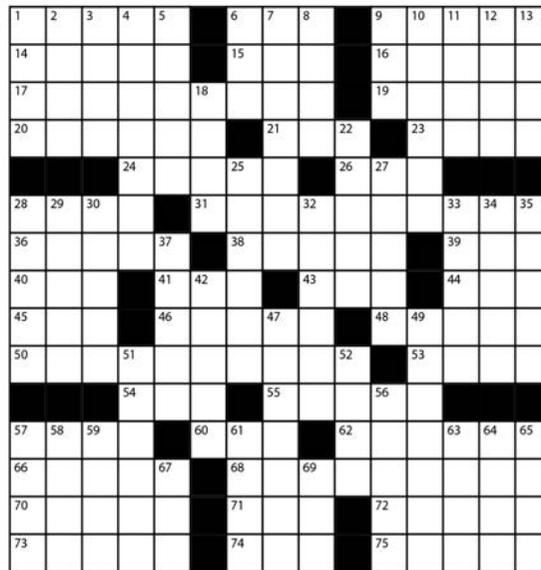
STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
Amanda Cobb, Petitioner
vs.
Jordan Cobb, Respondent
Case No: 2020-OP-1272
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
Jordan Cobb, this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before October 8, 2020, a judgment or decree by default may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.
Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Court
Date: August 20, 2020

Snack food choice

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Across

1. ___ mistake (blew it)
6. "___ De-Lovely"
9. Baseball tally
14. Brainstorms
15. "Well, lah-di-___"
16. One of a road crew
17. Summer ailment
19. "Like me"
20. Et ___
21. Absorb, as a cost
23. Middle of March
24. Final authority
26. Charged item
28. Biblical kingdom
31. Actresses stand in
36. Singers Nelson and others
38. Castaway's site
39. Docs' org.
40. "Agnus ___"
41. It's south of Eur.
43. Born, in France
44. Green hole
45. Mineral suffix
46. Flower girl, sometimes
48. Short-winded
50. Marks the new year
53. Specks
54. "___ la la!"
55. Japanese port
57. QB Tarkenton
60. Go on and on
62. Error
66. Court puzzle
68. This puzzle's theme
70. Do-nothing
71. Actor Gibson



72. Bank statement entry
73. Tournament favorites
74. C.I.A. predecessor
75. Certain exams
- Down
1. Catchall abbr.
2. Together, musically
3. Fender blemish
4. Passes gingerly
5. Latin stars
6. Bachelor's last words
7. Chinese, e.g.
8. Where the Mets used to play
9. Health resort
10. Slot spot
11. "Metamorphoses" poet
12. Counsel, old-style
13. Cupid, to the Greeks
18. Tanners catch them
22. Sir or madam
25. Showed fascination
27. Little hooter
28. "M*A*S*H" extra
29. Start to some poem titles
30. French farewell
32. "Haven't heard a word"
33. Prefix with economics
34. Not to be missed
35. Neck sections
37. ___ Domingo
42. Suspicious
47. Gingersnaps, e.g.
49. "Rich Man, Poor Man" Emmy winner
51. "Don't bother"
52. Identify
56. Buddy
57. End-of-wk. times
58. Was a passenger
59. ___-bodied
61. BBs, e.g.
63. Havana's home
64. Gas, e.g.: Abbr.
65. Ballpark figs.
67. 12th graders: Abbr.
69. Some T-shirts

JoshJosh

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

10+	4	40x	2÷		
			5-	2÷	
1-		2÷	11+		
2÷			1-	2-	
180x	2x		24x		
				4	

Difficulty medium

Sudoku

No. 653

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

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

Difficulty hard

Puzzle answers from this week will appear here next week

A	R	E	N	A	P	A	G	E	R	E	R	N	S
L	I	P	I	D	A	X	E	L	R	E	A	L	
A	L	I	B	I	M	I	L	K	G	R	A	V	I
S	E	C	E	W	E	S	L	O	C	A	L		
			D	U	A	L	S	H	O	R	T	L	I
E	A	S	E	S	A	U	C	E	R				
G	L	O	A	T	S	A	R	I	C	H	A		
G	O	D	F	A	T	H	E	R	O	F	S	O	U
S	E	A	P	E	E	R				Y	O	U	R
			R	A	N	S	O	M	U	P	T	O	
S	C	H	O	O	L	S	R	E	A	P			
A	L	A	M	O		R	A	N	D	R	A	T	
R	O	L	E	M	O	D	E	L	A	T	O	N	E
A	N	O	N		D	I	A	L	P	A	S	T	E
N	E	S			E	M	M		T	R	A	I	N

Crossword answers from #652

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

Sudoku answers from #652

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

JoshJosh answers from #652

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