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# Sexual assault survivor seeks justice

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To the Electors of the State of Illinois:

The Illinois Constitution establishes a structure of government and laws for the State of Illinois. There are three ways to initiate change to the Illinois Constitution: (1) a constitutional convention may propose changes to any part; (2) the General Assembly may propose changes to any part; or (3) a petition initiative may propose amendments limited to structural and procedural subjects contained in the Legislative Article. The people of Illinois must approve any changes to the Illinois Constitution before they become effective. The purpose of this document is to inform you of proposed changes to the Illinois Constitution and to provide you with a brief explanation and a summary of the arguments in favor of and in opposition to the proposed amendment.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ADD SECTION 25 TO ARTICLE I OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION ARTICLE I — BILL OF RIGHTS

### SECTION 25. WORKERS' RIGHTS

(a) Employees shall have the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing for the purpose of negotiating wages, hours, and working conditions, and to protect their economic welfare and safety at work. No law shall be passed that interferes with, negates, or diminishes the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively over their wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and work place safety, including any law or ordinance that prohibits the execution or application of agreements between employers and labor organizations that represent employees requiring membership in an organization as a condition of employment.

(b) The provisions of this Section are controlling over those of Section 6 of Article VII.

### EXPLANATION

The proposed amendment, which takes effect upon approval by the voters, adds Section 25 to the Bill of Rights Article of the Illinois Constitution. The new section will guarantee workers the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively and to negotiate safety conditions, wages, hours, working conditions, and economic welfare. The amendment prohibits the passage of any new law within the State that restricts or prohibits workers from engaging in collective bargaining with their employer over wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment, like safety protocols or training.

#### Arguments In Favor of the Proposed Amendment

This amendment will protect workers' and others' safety. That includes guaranteeing nurses' right to put patient care ahead of profit and making sure construction workers can speak up when there's a safety issue. It will protect workers from being silenced when they call attention to food safety threats, shoddy construction, and other problems that could harm Illinoisans. This amendment protects firefighters and EMTs who put their lives on the line to protect Illinoisans. It means they get the training and safety equipment they need to do their jobs, and can speak out when they see a problem without fear of retaliation. This amendment will help our economy by putting more money in workers' pockets who join together and get raises. That will mean more money going into our communities and small businesses as people join the middle class with good-paying jobs.

#### Arguments Against the Proposed Amendment

A fundamental right provided to all citizens under the First Amendment of the United States Constitution is the right to free speech and freedom of association. This amendment prohibits any law or ordinance that allows union workers to choose whether they wish to be a member of the union or not. Under the 2018 United States Supreme Court decision Janus v. Illinois AFSCME, non-union government workers cannot be required to pay union dues as a condition of working in the public sector. Approval of this constitutional amendment will deny that protection to private sector workers. The amendment also states that lawmakers could never "interfere with, negate, or diminish" certain rights. These terms are broad and undefined and leave lawmakers without the ability to clarify through legislation. Our Illinois Constitution provides such protection to public employees. The result of that protection has been to squash efforts by state lawmakers and voters to address Illinois' pension fund deficits.

### FORM OF BALLOT

#### Proposed Amendment to the 1970 Illinois Constitution

#### Explanation of Amendment

The proposed amendment would add a new section to the Bill of Rights Article of the Illinois Constitution that would guarantee workers the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively and to negotiate wages, hours, and working conditions, and to promote their economic welfare and safety at work. The new amendment would also prohibit from being passed any new law that interferes with, negates, or diminishes the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively over their wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and workplace safety. At the general election to be held on November 8, 2022, you will be called upon to decide whether the proposed amendment should become part of the Illinois Constitution.

YES

For the proposed addition of Section 25 to Article I of the Illinois Constitution.

NO

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I, Jesse White, Secretary of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Proposed Amendment, the Explanation of the Proposed Amendment, Arguments in Favor of the Amendment and Arguments Against the Amendment and a true copy of the Form of Ballot for this call as the regularly scheduled general election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, as set forth in compliance with the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Illinois, Done in the City of Springfield, this sixth day of September, 2022.

*Jesse White*

Jesse White  
Secretary of State

The link below has information about a proposed constitutional amendment that will be considered at the November 8, 2022 general election.

以下连结提供将在2022年11月8日大选中提出拟议的宪法修正案相关信息。

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Poniższy link zawiera informacje na temat proponowanej zmiany konstytucyjnej, która zostanie rozpatrzona w wyborach powszechnych w dniu 8 listopada 2022 r.

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# Forgoing the funds

Most nursing homes aren't applying for additional money for CNAs

NURSING HOMES | Dean Olsen

Despite supporting Medicaid rate reform that was signed into law this spring, most Illinois nursing homes haven't applied for additional funding made available through the legislation to help them hire and boost pay for nursing assistants.

And surprisingly, nursing homes with the highest shares of residents whose care is covered by Medicaid – homes that tend to be in the Chicago area and have the most to gain financially – haven't applied for the higher funding for certified nursing assistants, according to the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

"We haven't heard a compelling reason for non-participation," Andy Allison, HFS' deputy director for strategic planning and analytics, told *Illinois Times*.

He said it was a "significant accomplishment" for the state and the nursing home industry that 205 out of the 670 nursing homes serving Medicaid clients – or about 30% – have applied for the voluntary program in the first quarter of fiscal 2023, which began July 1. The program subsidizes increases in pay for CNAs by between \$1.50 and \$6.50 per hour, based on experience.

But Allison noted that the level of participation varied significantly by region, with between 14% and 23% of Chicago-area nursing homes with Medicaid residents applying for the funds, compared with 43% of downstate facilities.

The west-central region that includes Springfield and Sangamon County was an outlier in that trend, with just 21% of west-central facilities applying, according to HFS data released Sept. 13.

The other downstate regions ranged from 33% in the Galena area to 47% in the Peoria area, 49% in the Decatur-Champaign region and 63% in the Rock Island area.

The state set aside \$85 million in the

current fiscal year to reimburse nursing homes for the raises at subsidy levels equivalent to the percentage of Medicaid residents served at facilities. For example, 60% of the cost of CNA raises would be covered at a nursing home where 60% of the residents had their care paid by Medicaid.

Nursing homes must apply for the new subsidies and aren't required to do so.

Matt Hartman, executive director of the Illinois Health Care Association, one of the groups advocating for nursing homes, said some facilities may not have applied for the funding for CNA pay raises yet because they are still figuring out all the costs involved, including benefits.

"It's a little complex," he said. "I believe the numbers participating will increase, probably pretty significantly."

Hartman said he doesn't represent many of the Chicago-area facilities serving high percentages of Medicaid recipients. The Health Care Council of Illinois represents those facilities but didn't respond to a request for comment.

Some nursing home chains have applied for the CNA funding for downstate facilities but not for facilities in the Chicago area.

For-profit Aperion Care applied for its facilities in DeKalb, Peoria Heights and Toluca but not for facilities in the Chicago area or for Aperion Care Capitol at 555 W. Carpenter St. in Springfield.

An Aperion Care spokesman didn't return phone calls.

The funding for CNA salaries, which by law are required to be passed through directly to workers, is part of a \$700 million annual Medicaid funding boost for the nursing home industry tied to House Bill 246.

The additional funding will be generated by simplifying and expanding the nursing home assessment tax and by allocating additional



Despite a "now hiring" sign on display, Aperion Care Capitol is one of the many facilities that has not applied for funding available through the state to boost pay for CNAs. PHOTO BY STACIE LEWIS

general revenue funds, according to the administration of Gov. JB Pritzker.

The industry has complained for years about chronically low reimbursement rates for care. Advocates for patients have complained for years that understaffing in Illinois nursing homes is among the worst in the country.

The state spends more than \$2.5 billion annually for the care of about 45,000 nursing home residents through the Medicaid program. Almost 70% of nursing home residents in Illinois are covered by Medicaid.

Other parts of the \$700 million to fund HB 246 – what Pritzker called "nation-leading nursing home reform" – will be built into the base rates paid to nursing homes, with much of the money tied to nursing homes achieving "evidence-based staffing levels," according to the Pritzker administration.

Homes not meeting minimum staffing levels mandated by a 2010 state law and supported by data collection requirements in a 2019 state law could be fined in the coming months, according to Greg Will, research director for SEIU Healthcare Illinois.

Pritzker and other advocates for nursing home residents and workers at those facilities touted HB 246 in a May 31 news release as "historic and equity-focused" rate reform legislation that "holds facility owners accountable for tying new funding to improving care for vulnerable Illinoisans."

The bill that the Democratic governor signed that day was approved this year with no dissenting votes in the Illinois House and Senate. It was an "agreed bill" that all stakeholders, including nursing home

associations, said they supported.

But some lawmakers and a union representing nursing home workers say facility owners appear to be retreating from their previously stated commitments to increase staffing and improve the quality of care.

Many facilities lost CNAs to other employers during the COVID-19 pandemic to higher-paying and less-stressful jobs. That situation made understaffing even more acute, Shaba Andrich, SEIU Healthcare Illinois vice president for nursing homes, said at a Sept. 17 rally in Chicago.

He told a crowd of workers: "At first they said, 'We can't have more staff because we need more money,' and then the legislature said, 'Here's more money,' and then they said, 'Well, we're not going to take it for one reason or another.'

"We don't find that acceptable, the residents don't find that acceptable, nor do their families," Andrich said.

State Rep. Lakesia Collins, D-Chicago, a former nursing home worker, told *Illinois Times* that the low participation rates in the CNA pay raise program were disheartening.

Nursing homes, she said, "don't want any accountability. Our seniors deserve better, and the workers do, too."

Rep. Kelly Cassidy, D-Chicago, said, "The pettiness of refusing to pay their people ... is beyond the pale."

She said nursing homes come to the General Assembly every year "crying poor. We give the money to them, and lo and behold, it never reaches their workers.

"Like toddlers having a temper tantrum, they took their ball and they went home. They would rather let the money rot than pay their workers. So the next time these guys come to me with their pockets turned inside out and crying poor, they can hit the road."

Lori Hendren, associate state director of AARP Illinois, which supported the nursing home reform bill, said it's alarming to learn that so many facilities haven't applied for money to boost CNA salaries.

"The quest to improve the quality of life for nursing home residents will continue until all facilities – for- and not-for-profit – commit to providing the highest level of care possible for all they serve," she said. "Vulnerable residents and their loved ones deserve nothing less." □

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## Editor's note

Democrats don't want serious debate before the November election about eliminating cash bail under the Pretrial Fairness Act, which goes into effect Jan. 1, 2023. Gov. JB Pritzker hasn't been helpful by just talking about making sure wealthy criminals can't buy their way out of jail, and his opponent, Darren Bailey, worries only that local governments won't have enough money to operate without bail money. These are minor points about serious matters. As you'll read in the Capitol News Illinois in-depth report (p. 4), those who have looked closely at the new law, both supporters and opponents, say it still has lots of flaws and gray areas that need to be resolved before it goes into effect. If "Get Out of Jail Free" starts releasing people who commit crimes when they should have been detained, all the good intentions behind this effort will be lost. This is Illinois' best chance at major reform of pretrial procedures. Don't blow it. — Fletcher Farrar, editor

# What happens when cash bail ends?

As task force works to ready justice system, amendments could be coming

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE** | Jerry Nowicki, Capitol News Illinois

Beginning Jan. 1, 2023, cash bail will be abolished in Illinois.

The measure that will eliminate it has been on the books since early 2021, giving the justice system two years to plan for the major overhaul of the state's pretrial detention system.

It's also given time for the measure to become politicized to a point where the reality of the law has become indistinguishable from the political rhetoric surrounding it.

"As I've said many times, what we want to make sure doesn't happen is that someone who's wealthy and commits a terrible violent crime – it could be, by the way, a wealthy drug dealer – doesn't have an easy time getting bail compared to somebody who maybe commits shoplifting and for a couple of hundred dollars is stuck in jail," Gov. JB Pritzker said at a news conference in August.

But opponents and advocates of the reform agree that, beyond simply ending cash bail, the law seeks to reduce the number of people incarcerated before a guilty verdict by limiting the circumstances in which a judge can order pretrial detention.

Republicans and state's attorneys have continued to fight for changes to the law, up to a full repeal, arguing that while the intent may be to empower judges to detain more dangerous individuals, the bill as written is too limiting.

A nonpartisan task force formed under

the Supreme Court, meanwhile, is working to assist with implementation in the justice system ahead of Jan. 1 and has identified unclear or contradictory sections of the bill that lawmakers should reconsider before Jan. 1.

"It is frustrating because many aspects of the statute are not clear," retired Judge Robbin Stuckert, who chairs the Pretrial Implementation Task Force, said at a July town hall meeting. "They may be vague, gray areas. And again, we are charged by the Supreme Court to assist with implementation."

The law's sponsors in the General Assembly said they are working with the task force on legislation clarifying some of those matters – particularly when it comes to detainable offenses – for potential passage this fall.

## Pretrial detention

The provision to end cash bail, known as the Pretrial Fairness Act, was included in the SAFE-T Act criminal justice reform passed in a January 2021 lame duck session. Short for Safety, Accountability, Fairness and Equity- Today, the SAFE-T Act was a broad-ranging initiative backed by the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus in the wake of a nationwide reckoning with racism in the criminal justice system following the death of George Floyd under the knee of a Minneapolis police officer.

It was passed by the Senate just before 5 a.m.



State Rep. Justin Slaughter, DuPage County State's Attorney Bob Berlin, state Sen. Robert Peters and state Sen. John Curran. CREDIT: JUSTIN FOWLER, STATE JOURNAL-REGISTER; BOBBERLIN.COM; CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

after an all-day session on Jan. 13, 2021, then cleared the House hours later. Pritzker signed it a month later.

It has been amended twice, addressing law enforcement concerns about use of force standards, clarifying some pretrial matters and changing language about police body cameras. But provisions regarding cash bail have not been amended since the bill's 2021 passage.

The goal of the Pretrial Fairness Act was clear: to move away from the existing wealth-based system of pretrial detention in favor of one based on an offender's level of risk of reoffending or fleeing prosecution.

Keith Grant, a Lake County public defender and Pretrial Implementation Task Force member, said that citing and releasing people committing less serious offenses provides better outcomes, saves taxpayer money and frees officers to remain on the beat.

"We find that when defendants are detained even for as little as, research shows, three days, they can become destabilized to the point of lacking all of the social netting resources that they would have otherwise had," Grant said. "Keeping people in custody when they don't need to be actually creates a risk of harm to the community."

The Loyola University of Chicago's Center for Criminal Justice Research analyzed Illinois State Police data that showed that from 2020 to 2021, individuals jailed pretrial in Illinois spent an average of 34 days incarcerated.

The report predicted the numbers would

decrease under the PFA for those committing lesser offenses while likely increasing for those held on more serious offenses because they can't free themselves on bail.

The report further analyzed U.S. Department of Justice data which showed that in 2019, 50 percent of jail detainees in Illinois were Black compared to 15 percent of the population at large; 33 percent were white compared to 76 percent of the population; and 14 percent were Hispanic compared to 18 percent of the population. The racial disparity numbers were driven by Illinois' three largest counties.

Of those detained, 82 percent were being held on felony charges and 89 percent were being held pretrial.

The new law abolishes cash bail and provides for a presumption in favor of release for misdemeanors, traffic offenses and other petty offenses, provided a defendant is not deemed a risk to the community by the arresting officer.

Kane County Chief Judge Clint Hull, a task force member, said at a July town hall that the arresting officers will maintain similar discretion as they are afforded under current law.

"Do they pose an obvious threat to the community or any person or are they a risk to... their own safety?" he said. "In both situations, if they are, the police – despite the fact that this isn't the most serious offense – (do) have the discretion to bring that person in to try to make sure that they can identify and address that issue."



Rep. Justin Slaughter raises his fist during the SAFE-T Act's January 2021 passage in the Illinois House.

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In most cases, individuals committing misdemeanors or petty offenses will receive a citation from law enforcement and a court date within 21 days.

### Pretrial hearings

After the initial arrest, as under current law, judges will determine whether detention continues.

Under current law, bail hearings typically occur within 72 hours of arrest and last less than five minutes. Prosecutors detail the defendant's charges and may recommend a bail amount. The judge then decides the conditions of their release, including how much money, if any, the defendant must post before their release from custody.

Under the PFA, the hearings will be more intensive. Defendants are given a right to legal representation and prosecutors can detail their reasons for continued detention.

"One of the primary goals of the law is to make sure that we're having in-depth, detailed hearings when we're taking away someone's freedom," said Sarah Staudt, an advocate with the Chicago Appleseed Center for Fair Courts, which worked with lawmakers on the bill.

Prosecutors wishing to keep an individual detained would petition the court for pretrial detention.

Upon petition, the law requires an "immediate" detention hearing which could

coincide with the defendant's first appearance in court. If a continuance is requested and granted, the court would have 48 hours in serious felony cases to hold such a hearing.

The court would have the authority to detain an individual pending a continuance.

For pretrial detention to be ordered, the state must prove "by clear and convincing evidence" that the defendant committed the crime, poses a specific threat to a person or persons and that no other pretrial conditions can mitigate the defendant's risk to that person or persons.

It's a heightened standard that prosecutors have warned may be too difficult to meet within the short timeline, but advocates say is necessary to protect a constitutional presumption of innocence.

For lesser offenses, the court would have 24 hours to conduct the same procedure. The PFA makes no exception for holidays or weekends.

### Limits to detention

State's attorneys have been the most vocal critics of the law as written, arguing that it leaves too little leeway for judges to detain dangerous individuals in certain circumstances.

Among them is Republican DuPage County State's Attorney Bob Berlin, who said he was not opposed to ending cash bail in principle.

"I want to stress, this is very fixable," Berlin

said. "I'm not one of the people out there saying 'Oh, repeal repeal, just get rid of it.' We can fix this. And we can fix it before Jan. 1."

John Curran – an implementation task force member, GOP state senator and former assistant Cook County state's attorney – said he also didn't oppose ending cash bail, but he saw several shortcomings with the system replacing it.

He, Berlin and other state's attorneys have called on Illinois to emulate a system put in place in New Jersey in 2017, which eliminates cash bail but gives greater discretionary authority to judges to impose pretrial detention than does Illinois' law.

"The first big difference is New Jersey doesn't limit the number of offenses that are detainable," Berlin said in an interview. "New Jersey allows judges to detain in any criminal offense, which would include misdemeanors. We believe that judges are in the best position to make decisions about who should be detained or not."

While the PFA does not create categories of offenses that are "non-detainable" under every circumstance, it does, as written, create circumstances in which a judge would have no statutory authority to detain a defendant who doesn't have a prior record or present a risk of fleeing prosecution.

Another Loyola University study estimated that a judge would not have been able to detain the defendant in 56 percent of arrests

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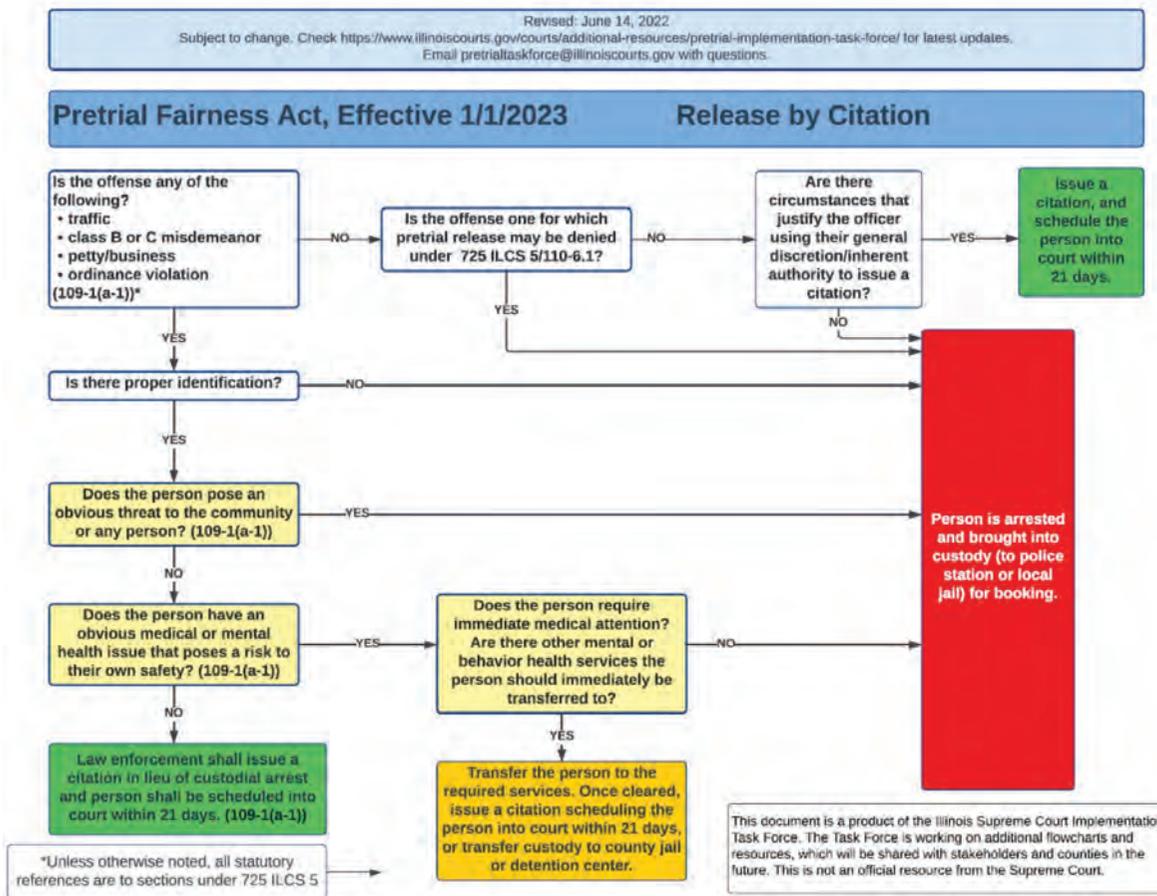
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A flow chart produced by the Illinois Supreme Court Pretrial Implementation Task Force shows how release by citation will work under the Pretrial Fairness Act.

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that occurred statewide in 2020 and 2021 had the PFA been in place.

From 2020 to 2021, according to the research, 193,387 people were admitted into jails statewide each year, with 90 percent held for some length pretrial. Due to varying lengths of pretrial detention, the report estimated there were between 13,827 to 15,994 people being held pretrial daily.

Once the PFA is implemented, between 44,000 and 70,000 individuals per year will be eligible for initial detention, the report estimated.

About 70 percent of those would be in relation to domestic violence or violations of order of protections, according to the study, which is one reason the SAFE-T Act had support from anti-domestic violence groups.

"If post-COVID trends continue," the report reads, "that means somewhere between 89,000 and 115,000 individuals per year could not be initially detained under the PFA once the law goes into effect on January 1, 2023."

### Detention standards

Curran's and Berlin's concern lies in the language beginning on page 370 of the 764-page SAFE-T Act which lays out the specific circumstances in which a judge can order pretrial detention.

The language allows a judge to deny pretrial release if a defendant is a danger to an individual or the community and is accused of non-probational offenses such as first-degree murder, as well as aggravated arson, residential burglary, stalking, domestic battery, certain gun offenses and several specified sex offenses.

While misdemeanors and other low-level offenses are generally non-detainable under the new law, all charges become detainable if the defendant is already on pretrial release, probation or parole.

The language also allows detention for individuals charged with a forcible felony "for which a sentence of imprisonment, without probation, periodic imprisonment or conditional discharge is required by law upon conviction."

The task force has noted that language specifically excludes offenses for which a defendant is eligible for probation. Berlin said that means, under the law as written, judges cannot order pretrial detention of an individual accused of second-degree murder, drug trafficking, arson, robbery, aggravated battery, threatening a public official and other probational offenses unless prosecutors prove they are a risk for "willful flight" from prosecution.

The willful flight standard, unlike the dangerousness provision, can be applied to anyone committing a crime greater than a Class 4 felony – which includes many property crimes and offenses such as aggravated DUI and driving on a revoked license – who is deemed by a judge as "planning or attempting

to intentionally evade prosecution by concealing oneself."

But because the law states that past non-appearances in court are "not evidence of future intent to avoid prosecution," Berlin said it will be difficult to prove.

"I mean, you've gotta show that they've got a ticket to get out of town," Berlin said.

Advocates, on the other hand, say the differentiation between the willful flight and dangerousness standards was intentional, although further changes may be forthcoming.

"If someone's going to cooperate with the prosecution in a nonviolent case, we don't want a situation where they're being detained," Staudt said.



Republican DuPage County State's Attorney Bob Berlin. CREDIT: BOBBERLIN.COM

Sen. Robert Peters, a Democrat and Senate co-sponsor of the law, said he's open to discussions about amending the bill's willful flight standards and detainable offense language based on the Pretrial Implementation Task Force's recommendations.

"Anytime you take human life and you're saying I'm going to take away their freedom, that should be somewhat of a higher standard," he said. "What I again will say is that I'm willing to have conversations about the practices of this."

Rep. Justin Slaughter, a Chicago Democrat and the law's House sponsor, said language regarding detainable offenses in the existing bill is "misleading" and "unclarified," and his plan is to address it in follow-up legislation this fall.

"We will have a system that prioritizes public safety, and we will have a system (in which)... there's no such thing as a non-detainable person," Slaughter said when asked at a Sept. 15 news conference about the goal of follow-up legislation.

He declined to go into specifics due to ongoing discussions.

Curran, who said he's been pushing for such changes since January 2021, noted another section of the bill states that "at each subsequent

appearance" in court, a judge must find that continued detention of a defendant is necessary "to avoid the specific, real and present threat to any person or of willful flight from prosecution to continue detention of the defendant."

Curran said that will make it more difficult to detain an individual after their first appearance by leaving out a community safety standard that's included elsewhere in the bill.

The task force identified the language as problematic, and advocates have said standardizing the language throughout the bill will be a goal of follow-up legislation.

### Follow-up bill

Thus far, the implementation task force has been creating guidance documents that include flow charts for how defendants should be treated throughout the pretrial process as well as considerations for jurisdictions creating new policies ahead of Jan. 1.

"We have no idea what will happen in veto session (when lawmakers next return to the Capitol)," Stuckert said in an interview. "But we're prepared to do whatever we can ... to prepare all justice system partners for any changes that may come to fruition in a (follow-up bill)."

Slaughter said lawmakers are working with the task force to address concerns. He's currently sponsoring House Bill 5537, a 219-page bill that, among other changes, seeks to standardize the detention language. It was filed in January, has no cosponsors and likely does not represent a final bill.

While court officials like Berlin have engaged lawmakers regarding potential changes, several others have raised broader alarms and pushed for a full repeal – an outcome unlikely with Democrats in control of the General Assembly and governor's office at least through the PFA's effective date.

At a news conference with county sheriffs earlier this month, GOP governor candidate and state Sen. Darren Bailey pushed for a full repeal and didn't offer alternative amendments he'd work to implement. He said he believed repeal would be possible because he believed the Pretrial Fairness Act was tied to unspecified property tax increases.

At a Sept. 14 news conference, Pritzker reiterated he supports the new law but didn't say when changes would happen or to what extent they are necessary.

"Are there changes or adjustments that need to be made? Of course," he said. "And there have been adjustments made and there will continue to be. Laws are not immutable." □

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Abandoned, by Ann Kozeliski

## Art exhibit by two 1972 SHS grads

CAP CITY | Karen Ackerman Witter

Two Springfield High School (SHS) graduates are presenting a pop-up art show at the Springfield Art Association (SAA) in conjunction with their 50<sup>th</sup> high school reunion Sept. 23-24. Ann Kozeliski (Tallahassee, Florida) and Jeff Schewe (Chicago) are both award-winning artists. The exhibit is open Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (700 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St.) Meet the artists, along with SHS Class of 1972 graduates, 2-4 p.m. Saturday.

Kozeliski specializes in Sumi-e, Japanese ink painting. She paints in the "Mogu Fa" boneless style. Her passion is painting people, many of whom are homeless. Her paintings are ethereal; her mantra is "less is more." Schewe is a master at computer imaging. He approaches his photography with a painterly sensitivity. His highly realistic images include commercial work, portraits and large-scale panoramas.

Kozeliski and Schewe both aspired from a young age to be artists. Both took as many art classes as possible at SHS. Schewe was a regular at SAA Saturday art classes until he was a teenager. Kozeliski has exhibited in Florida, nationally and internationally, with a solo show in China in 2015. Schewe has been an award-winning advertising photographer in Chicago for over 30 years. He is one of the world's most renowned experts on Photoshop and digital imaging and was inducted into the Photoshop Hall of Fame.

See their work at [www.schewephoto.com](http://www.schewephoto.com) and Ink Brush ART. □



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# Echoes of yesteryear

A walk through Oak Ridge Cemetery

HISTORY | Cinda Ackerman Klickna

First there was the pandemic in 2020, then inclement weather in 2021, causing the Sangamon County Historical Society to cancel its Oak Ridge Cemetery Walk. But, this year, plans are set to once again welcome visitors on Sunday, Oct. 2. Actors, in period costumes, will portray eight Springfield citizens who made a difference to Springfield. The information has been carefully researched for accuracy.

**Margaret Carpenter** will tell the story of her husband, **William** (1787-1859). Around 1820, the couple established a farm on the Sangamon River, where Riverside Park is today. William owned a ferry on the stagecoach line. Later, after moving into Springfield, William became a mercantile owner, postmaster and state representative, but was forced off the election ticket for supporting voting rights for free African Americans. Carpenter Park and Carpenter Street are named after the couple.

**William Northcutt** (1854-1917) was a lawyer, established an insurance company, and served as lieutenant governor from 1897-1905. He served 13 years as chapter president of the Modern Woodmen of America. His gravestone, erected by his friends, is unusual – a design including a bench and a well. Learn about some of the 90 fraternal organizations that existed in

Springfield, such as the Masons, the Elks, the Odd Fellows, and others. The Odd Fellows' weeklong convention in 1897 included 3,000 people marching in a parade.

**Salome Paddock Enos** (1791-1877) and her husband, **Pascal**, left Vermont in 1815 and endured a long, arduous journey with many difficulties: broken wagon, poor weather, muddy roads and bad overnight accommodations. After living near St. Louis, they came to Springfield in 1823 when Pascal was appointed the federal land receiver for the county. They lived at what is now Second and Jefferson, and later owned land that was donated for the town square – now the site of the Old State Capitol.

Bells ring daily because of **Thomas Rees** (1850-1933). He conceived the idea and paid for the Washington Park carillon, which bears his name. Rees was from Iowa; his father was the publisher of the newspaper there and had hired young Mark Twain. Rees went into the business; he and two others bought the failing *Keokuk Constitution* paper and successfully reformed it. They came to Springfield in 1881 to help save the *Illinois State Register*. Again, they were successful, along with business partner Henry Clendenin. The paper was known as the most powerful Democratic paper in downstate

Illinois. Their partnership lasted for 40 years, and the two families share a large, Greek-columned memorial. Rees came to regret some of the opinions published in the paper over the years.

**Harriet Knudson** (1883-1969) is remembered by flowers. She was instrumental in founding Lincoln Memorial Garden. Harriet and her husband, a well-known doctor, built a summer home near Pleasant Plains called Gladacres, due to the huge varieties of gladiolas the couple grew. Harriet founded the Springfield Civic Garden Club in 1929, served on the statewide board, and started Junior Garden Clubs. Learn about Harriet's vision for the Lincoln Memorial Garden, the rules Springfield imposed, and the story of getting world-renowned landscape architect Jens Jensen to design the garden.

Only **Harriet Palmer Crabbe** (1857-1948) is buried at Oak Ridge, but **Gertrude Wright Morgan** (1861-1931) will be included in the story of the two women. Harriet, white, the daughter of Governor John Palmer, and Gertrude, the daughter of a man born into slavery, met in 1874. The story of how they met when Springfield integrated schools in 1874 is a lesson in acceptance. Gertrude was

one of the first African Americans to attend and later graduate from Springfield's high school (at the time located at Fourth and Mason). She distinguished herself as a teacher in St. Louis as Springfield would not hire a Black teacher, and in civil rights work in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Harriet married Edwin Crabbe; his job as a pension examiner took them to Washington state and Texas, but eventually they returned to Springfield. No matter where the couple lived, Harriet was active in the Daughters of the American Revolution.

**Richard Dodds** (1851-1921) owned a pharmacy from 1875 to 1921 at the corner of Fifth and Monroe. Dodds Corner was always busy, as that was where streetcars converged. The pharmacist will tell stories from the famous corner where he heard and saw a lot. The pharmacy was open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, all year. Dodds helped create the Pharmacy Act of 1881 and establish laws regulating narcotics. □

*Cinda Ackerman Klickna loves the history of the people who helped shape Springfield. She is the vice president of the Sangamon County Historical Society.*

## OPINION



Many readers had strong opinions about the Sept. 15 cover story on Darren Bailey, with some questioning why the Republican candidate for governor was profiled at all.

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### similes poem #2

I'm sure I have written before about my dad talking with vivid similes but perhaps missed this particular one: in an old letter he writes to me that a certain farmer we both know "walks like a constipated meadowlark"

2022 Jacqueline Jackson

### LETTERS

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#### NOT A NICE GUY

He may be a MAGA neofascist and secessionist, but what a nice Christian family man he is ("At home with Darren Bailey," Sept. 15). Give me a break.

*Don Hanrahan*

*Via Facebook.com/illinoistimes*

#### HOPE HE LOSES

Hopefully Darren Bailey has lots of time to spend at home after he loses the election.

*Glen Minks*

*Via Facebook.com/illinoistimes*

#### LEVITT AMP RETURN BAD NEWS

Ironically, the recent announcement that the Levitt AMP music series will return to the Y-block for another three years was bad news for downtown Springfield.

Is this what was envisioned for the high-profile block when it was purchased by the city from the state, now years ago? At a chance encounter with Mayor Jim Langfelder, I asked

him what his plans were for the future of the block, and he replied, "...music on Thursday nights."

Initially, I was against a proposal to turn the grassy plot into a park, but then I recalled the words of the late renowned Springfield poet Vachel Lindsey from his poem, *On the Building of Springfield*:

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Would choose to starve in,  
rather than go home  
Fair little squares, with Phidian ornament,  
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*Mike Shepherd*  
*New Berlin*

#### TAKE THEIR TIME

Yes, I shopped at Kroger ("Kroger still not back in business," Sept. 8). However, I do not want my health, the health of the workers and the environment to suffer due to asbestos. This is a huge issue, and the clean-up needs to be safe. If that takes a long time, so be it. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency is still waiting on Kroger.

*Debbie Daniels*

*Via Facebook.com/illinoistimes*

#### COULD BE WORSE

If you think it's hard to shop now, just wait until Walmart starts yet another remodel. I wonder if they will be targeted by IEPA as well.

*Shelly Huddleston-Minks*

*Via Facebook.com/illinoistimes*

#### NEED MORE TRADE SCHOOLS

I think this is an excellent idea ("A trade school for Catholics," Sept. 8). I wish there were enough old-country craftsmen left that could teach and oversee these young and upcoming craftsmen as they learn to make sure they don't cut corners as the current-day craftsmen do.

I was going to send my son to St. James Trade School; they closed the year before he would have gone. I was upset. Not all people are destined to go to college. We need people who know how to use their hands in a productive way.

*Karen M. LeSeure*

*Via illinoistimes.com*

#### BAD DEAL

My property taxes went up \$200 and I have to pay \$148 extra to escrow ("Tax rebate checks go out this week," Sept. 15). I received \$188 – what a joke!

*Pamela Meyer*

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**OPINION**

# GOP hammers Democrats as soft on crime

**POLITICS | Rich Miller**

Four distinct attacks have been launched against Gov. JB Pritzker and Democratic legislators in the past couple of weeks.

1) “The Scream”: If you watch Chicago TV, you likely saw a striking TV ad called “The Scream.” The ad featured surveillance camera video of a white woman being mugged in broad daylight by three men in hoodies while she screams. It’s a jarring spot, to say the least. The ad was paid for by Dan Proft’s People Who Play by the Rules PAC, which is backing Darren Bailey for governor. The ad stirred plenty of controversy, and an attorney for the victim eventually objected to her attack being used in a campaign ad. She’s trying to heal, lawyer Tom Leinenweber told me, “and the Scream ad isn’t helping.” Most Chicago stations had pulled down the ad by week’s end after viewers complained, but the damage was done.

2) Trespassing: Republicans have claimed that the SAFE-T Act has essentially decriminalized trespassing. Darren Bailey said on Facebook that police officers could only “write a warning... They cannot forcefully remove these people.” Congressional candidate and Orland Park Mayor Keith Pekau went massively viral on TikTok and Twitter with a claim that, “Someone could decide to live in your shed and all we could do is give them a ticket.” Grundy County Sheriff Ken Briley recently told ABC7 that come Jan. 1 his deputies won’t be able to arrest anyone for trespassing. SAFE-T Act proponents have called this argument a “lie.” And the Illinois Supreme Court’s Implementation Task Force decreed of the new statute: “Law enforcement do have discretion to remove the person from the location of the alleged criminal activity, and then cite and release the person from another location.”

3) The meme and the “newspapers”: An internet meme about the SAFE-T Act has been widely shared across all social media platforms. The graphic was produced by WFCN News, which, despite the use of authentic-looking call letters, is not a broadcast station but a website with a distinct attitude. It’s also been used by publications designed to look like newspapers that have been linked to Dan Proft.

The meme and the Proft papers list several “non-detainable offenses beginning January 1, 2023,” including second-degree murder, kidnapping, threatening a public official, drug-induced homicide, burglary, etc. SAFE-T Act proponents and the

governor have repeatedly said that the law’s abolishment of cash bail would mainly benefit non-violent offenders. While they are not actually “non-detainable,” those crimes would indeed qualify an accused person for release, as long as the person isn’t a flight risk or if the accused is on release for another alleged crime, or is on probation or parole. Second-degree murder was added to the list because in the year prior to the SAFE-T Act’s passage nobody was initially charged with the crime in Cook County. It’s almost always used as a fallback position for plea deals. And burglary, according to a proponent of the new law, “is most often a charge used on the homeless who are sheltering in abandoned buildings,” and those folks end up languishing in jail because they cannot make bail.

Some state’s attorneys and sheriffs also claim they will have no choice but to release people from their jails when the law takes effect Jan. 1, but SAFE-T Act proponents say local authorities can make a case to a judge that it would be unsafe to release the accused.

4) Migrants: As with previous influxes

of asylum-seekers, the state, Chicago and Cook County are using hotels for temporary housing, including in the suburbs. Fox News has fear-mongered about the migrants for months, and some worry that they’re bringing guns and Fentanyl with them. Two suburban mayors have complained that hotels in their towns are being used to house the migrants and local TV news eagerly lapped up the story. One of those mayors, Craig Johnson of Elk Grove Village, demanded to know whether the migrants had been searched for guns, according to the governor’s office.

Individual Democrats and activists have tried to push back on all of this, but they’re swimming up Niagara Falls.

The governor didn’t help matters by admitting last week that the SAFE-T Act may need to be tweaked and then wouldn’t say what he wanted changed.

The Democrats say that crime isn’t moving any needles in their campaigns. But the Pritzker campaign finally launched a new TV ad on Sept. 16 which attacks Bailey’s legislative voting record on crime. It’s a start. □



## Banned books can build bridges

WEEKLY READER | Scott Reeder

As my parents walked down a street in China, a man sidled up next to my mother and asked if they had a Bible.

In accented English, he explained that some Americans brought Bibles to give away in that Communist country. My folks were Illinois hog farmers who over the years visited their counterparts in China, Ukraine, Poland and Denmark to exchange ideas.

When Mom related that story more than 30 years ago, I felt so grateful to live in a nation where the government didn't tell people what they could read.

I'm not sure I live in such a place anymore.

Unfortunately, we live in a society where folks on both the left and right are trying to determine what others can read.

I'm bullheaded enough that when someone tells me not to read something, it's the first thing I add to my reading list.

Years ago, a fellow Protestant mocked me for my curiosity about the Apocrypha, the four books of the Bible recognized by the Catholic Church but not by most Protestant denominations.

My response was to read it. It has helped me understand differences in Catholic and Protestant teachings. It adds greater context to the 400 years before the birth of Jesus, and its prose is beautiful.

Today, race is often the fulcrum on the book-banning debate. I recently interviewed the Republican candidate for governor, Darren Bailey, and he said critical race theory shouldn't be taught in schools, which it currently isn't.

Supporters of teaching critical race theory contend race is a social construct, and that racism is not merely the product of individual bias or prejudice, but also something embedded in legal systems and policies. Conservative critics counter that the foundation of the theory is that the United States is fundamentally racist and that it leads students to feel guilty for past actions by white people.

How about letting the kids read the works and decide for themselves?

Critics of CRT often point to *The 1619 Project*, a Pulitzer Prize-winning endeavor by the *New York Times Magazine* looking at the legacy of 400 years of slavery in what is now the United States.

For Christmas last year, my wife gave me a copy of *The 1619 Project*. It was a fascinating read. Some conclusions in the book I agreed with. Others I didn't. But that's OK. When you read something, it should provoke thought, not adherence.

I also make a point of reading authors I know I will disagree with. Sometimes, I even read material that I know going in I will find revolting.

For example, in 1995, in the wake of the Oklahoma City bombing, I entered a bookstore in Davenport, Iowa, and asked if they had a copy of the *Turner Diaries*, a racist tome that is said to have inspired the bomber.

The older woman who owned the store narrowed her eyes and snarled, "We don't sell that here. Do you want to bomb something?"

No. But I did want to derive some understanding of what hate motivated the terrorists. When I eventually obtained a copy, I found the ideas it espoused disgusting. But it has given me insight into the warped reasoning behind the white-nationalist movement.

One of my favorite books is *To Kill a Mockingbird*. When I read the novel as a teenager, I was mesmerized by the tale of a lawyer standing against a racist legal system in the South. I loved the book so much that when we were expecting our second daughter, I wanted to name her Scout after the book's protagonist (My wife nixed the idea).

Today, there is a push to ban the book in schools. Some folks don't like it because it uses a racial epithet in the context of the Southern culture of the time. Others say it's misogynistic because it's about a false rape accusation. Still others don't like that a white man is cast as the hero trying to save a Black man.

All these criticisms would seem to make good fodder for a discussion in a classroom. Instead, wimpy school administrators are banning its use.

So, what am I reading during Banned Books Week? Well, *Diary of a Misfit* is an excellent nonfiction read. It's about a lesbian journalist returning to rural Louisiana, where she grew up, to create a documentary of a transgender man her grandmother knew in the 1940s.

I'm not done with it, but so far it is a brilliant read.

I'm also reading *Every Good Endeavor* by Timothy Keller, an evangelical pastor who discusses finding spiritual purpose in our work. I enjoy discussing it with others early on Wednesday mornings.

Reading creates bridges of understanding between disparate groups. In our divided society, what could be a better goal? □

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# My year of listening to pandemic stories

Observations from an oral historian

GUESTWORK | Amanda Riggenbach

When COVID-19 turned life upside down in 2020, the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum set out to capture memories of the pandemic through an oral history project called “Tumultuous 2020.”

As head of the project, I spent the last year talking to Illinoisans about their myriad experiences as they weathered one of the most difficult years in recent history. It was an honor to speak to them directly or listen to their interviews with my colleagues.

The stories we collected highlight the strength within people to continue moving forward amid incredible obstacles. I think we can all remember the early days of the pandemic, when it was uncertain how we would manage. But as I interviewed people, it became clear that they faced the pandemic with creativity, courage and even humor.

Take Marlon Young, a pastor from Peoria. His Morning Glory Community Church was seeing an increase in numbers around the beginning of 2020. That all changed with the arrival of COVID. Young and other church leaders suddenly had to figure out the new world of providing online services, conducting funerals safely and promoting sound health policies.

He made it through with his sense of humor intact. Young recounted his decision to set an example for his congregation by getting vaccinated. He called to set up an appointment and was asked how the health staff would recognize him. “I’ll be the one with my shirt off! You’ll have no question as to why I’m there. Give me my shot!” he responded.

For Bryan Crain, a funeral home director in southern Illinois, surviving meant navigating COVID even when it wasn’t clear how the disease spread. To minimize the risk for his employees, Crain committed to personally completing all the bodily preparations for clients who passed from COVID.

Crain considered it a simple choice. As the third generation in his position, he felt compelled to follow in his father’s footsteps, who had done the same thing during the AIDS epidemic.

“It doesn’t matter what the person dies from, we’re going to serve the family. If they want embalming, their loved one will be embalmed where they can have a proper goodbye,” Crain said.

Many businesses had to shut their doors. Starting a new business proved difficult ... but not necessarily impossible.

Marvin Merriweather, a Springfield therapist, had planned to start his own practice. He began purchasing furniture and securing office space with the hopes of opening in spring 2020. Then the pandemic hit. Merriweather decided to push forward and build a practice around online counseling. In this way he reflects the tenacity of many people who adapted to the proverbial “new normal” instead of accepting defeat.

Another person who stands out as having adapted to life during the pandemic is Summer Griffith. She lost her mom to COVID shortly after moving back to Springfield to be closer to family. Griffith then interviewed for a new job even though



Amanda Riggenbach

she wasn’t sure if she was ready. She got the job and a few months later was promoted to executive director.

Griffith wept as she shared her experiences, good and bad. It became clear that she never stopped moving forward. Through everything, she persevered.

I think that is what has stayed with me the most as I reflect on my work with the project.

With help from numerous volunteers, Tumultuous 2020 collected over 80 interviews, from the population hub of Cook County to the southernmost border of the state in Alexander, Pulaski and Massac counties.

Their stories demonstrate the strength people can find within themselves. These

men and women inspired me with their determination to live the best lives they could, even when it required extra sacrifice or creativity or hard work.

Some continued to tell me their stories even after the recording ended. Sometimes that was when they opened up the most. I think that shows the isolation of 2020 and the need it created to be heard. In this way, oral histories become more than just primary sources for future historians, but vehicles for people to process their trauma.

I’ve had people tell me they hadn’t fully thought about their experience with the pandemic until being interviewed. Some, after the interview was over, found themselves struck by the severity of what they’d gone through.

Only a few people could be mentioned here, but I think they represent the experiences of many others. They highlight the different kinds of strength that helped people during uncertain times – the strength of family, of community, of faith.

The pandemic has not ended. Even when it does, its impact will not fade quickly. I hope these oral histories give individuals, today and tomorrow, a chance to reflect on the lived experiences of 2020. And to realize, with that reflection, they too have persevered. □

*Amanda Riggenbach served as manager for the Tumultuous 2020 oral history project at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum. You can listen to the project’s interviews at [www.oralhistory.illinois.gov](http://www.oralhistory.illinois.gov) and follow the ALPLM on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.*

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Betsy O'Brien was sexually assaulted by someone she knew and trusted. Like the vast majority of sexual assault cases, hers did not result in an arrest or any charges being filed against the alleged perpetrator.

PHOTO BY JOSH CATALANO

# Sexual assault survivor seeks justice

Only 7% of rapes are prosecuted nationwide. The number is even lower in Springfield.

**SEXUAL ASSAULT** | Scott Reeder

Dec. 3, 2019, is stamped in Betsy O'Brien's brain forever; it was the date that she was raped by someone she trusted.

For two-and-a-half years, O'Brien says she has been fighting for justice, and she is angry because she believes the Springfield Police Department did not diligently pursue her case.

The term "rape" conjures up images of masked men, strangers breaking into homes and an assailant with a weapon. While those

types of assaults do happen, a more common scenario is one where the assailant and victim know one another.

"It doesn't matter if someone has had sex with someone in the past. It doesn't matter if someone consented to some sexual activity earlier in the evening. When a woman says, 'No,' It means 'No.' A person has to have consent each time," said Carrie Ward, executive director of the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault.

That's the way it's supposed to work.

But the reality is rape cases between intimate partners are difficult to investigate and prosecute. Nationally, only 18% of reported sexual assaults result in an arrest and about 7% are prosecuted, said Jillian Snider, a former New York City police officer who teaches at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City.

"Most felonies are committed in public where there are witnesses and there is likely

to be video surveillance. In these situations involving intimate partner sexual assaults, they almost always happen behind closed doors with no witnesses. And it becomes a he said, she said situation," Snider said.

As is the case in 80% of all sexual assaults, O'Brien's assailant was someone she knew.

She said she had met the man, who lives in Florida, several months before and came to trust him. They had gone on dates several

times and been intimate when he had visited Springfield for business.

On the evening of Dec. 2, 2019, the pair met at the bar in the Springfield hotel where the man was staying. After several drinks, they decided to watch a movie in his room.

She said she made it clear that they would not have intercourse.

"I don't want a picture painted of what happened. But he raped me," O'Brien said. She told police that she awoke around 7 a.m. to him assaulting her.

Out of respect for O'Brien's privacy, *Illinois Times* is not reporting details of the assault. As is often the case when investigating crimes involving former intimate partners, police say some specifics of what happened that night make it difficult to prosecute.

O'Brien said after the man left the room that morning, she showered and texted her best friend about what had happened, then went over to her friend's home.

O'Brien is a well-educated professional. She works in performing arts and has been active for years in community theater in Springfield. But nothing in her life gave her context as to what to do next. Later that day, she reported the incident to the police department.

"There were two officers when I went in and I reported it, and they were fine. One of them had a little badge that said he was trained for dealing with sexual assault. I talked to them and I gave them my report. I brought my clothes in a paper bag for them. They took those and they had me go to the hospital.

"When I initially talked to the police,

I had said I wasn't sure if I wanted to press charges. That's very common. I just wanted to report it and have it on record."

She then went to HSHS St. John's Hospital where a doctor examined her and a specially trained nurse performed a rape exam. Photos were taken of her vagina and rectum. Both orifices were probed and samples were collected.

The poking, prodding, photographing, questioning and examining took hours. After the exam was complete, she decided she wanted to pursue a case against her assailant.

"So, the next day I called and I left a message for those two officers saying that I wanted to move forward. I didn't hear back from them, and I spent the next month calling two to three times a week trying to talk to someone, and I never heard back from anyone," she said.

Police Commander Sara Pickford said it is the department's policy that every sexual assault victim be promptly contacted by the criminal investigative division. Based on that initial screening, a detective may be assigned.

O'Brien said that did not happen in her case.

Frustrated, she then contacted Sangamon County assistant state's attorney Brian Shaw, who at the time prosecuted sex crimes.

"He looked into my case and said a detective hadn't been assigned to it. He asked that one be assigned," she said.

When she met with Shaw, a victim's advocate was present, but O'Brien said she never developed a relationship with that person. The state's attorney's office has victim

advocates on staff who are meant to act as liaisons, answer questions about the criminal process and direct victims to resources as needed.

On Jan. 10, a detective reinterviewed O'Brien.

"He said he called (the assailant), but he immediately lawyered up. He said there was nothing more that we could do until they got my rape kit back," O'Brien said. But she was skeptical. After all, the assailant did not ejaculate during the encounter. So, she doubted there would be DNA to recover.

"All of the evidence in the case, I brought to him. As near as I could tell he did no investigating on his own," she said.

There are other avenues to investigate sexual assaults, said Gillian Snider, the former NYPD officer.

She said she would routinely have victims call their assailant with the police covertly recording the call. The hope in such cases is that the assailant will apologize or otherwise admit to the crime.

"The detective told me, 'Do not do that,' said O'Brien. "He explained that Illinois is a two-party consent state and that wouldn't be legal."

While civilians cannot legally record such calls, a judge can issue an order allowing for the police to surreptitiously make such recordings, said Sheryl Essenburg, a former Sangamon County assistant state's attorney who prosecuted sex crimes.

"I would hope that any detective would know that they can get a judge's order to make such a recording," she said. Essenburg

added it was an investigative tool routinely used in many sex-crime cases she prosecuted.

But O'Brien said to the best of her knowledge, no effort was made to get such a court order.

"I was just told by the detective that it couldn't be done," she said.

Former NYPD officer Snider said in cases involving intimate partner violence she would also seek any contemporaneous text messages a victim may have sent to a friend or family member after an assault. Such evidence can be powerful, she added.

O'Brien said she had immediately texted her best friend from the hotel room telling her she had been raped, and she then went to that friend's house and discussed what had happened. But she said the detective assigned to her case never inquired about text messages or sought to interview her friend.

She said she asked the detective whether video from the hotel's security cameras had been sought by police. She wondered if it might have shown the disheveled state in which she left the room, or at least verified the hours the two were in the room together. But she said the police told her they had not pursued obtaining video footage.

O'Brien said over a five-month period she was repeatedly told by the detective that there was a warrant out to collect the suspect's DNA but they had not been able to execute it because the individual lives in Florida.

Later, after not hearing back from the detective for weeks, O'Brien called him to find out the status of her case.

"The last time I talked to him, he was so

## Few sexual assault cases lead to arrests, convictions

Whether looking at national or local numbers, the vast majority of reported rapes never result in an arrest.

Nationally, 18% of all reported sexual assaults result in an arrest and about 7% are prosecuted.

*Illinois Times* analyzed crime data the Springfield Police Department submitted to the FBI for 2019 through 2021. According to the data, there were 289 reported sexual assaults in the capital city during those three years and 14 people were arrested, or just under a 5% arrest rate. Since the data does not separate child sex abuse cases from adult cases, the newspaper worked with the police department to determine the number of arrests made in cases where there was an adult victim.

There were seven people arrested in Springfield for sexually assaulting an adult during that period. But Assistant Springfield Police Chief Joshua Stuenkel said that those numbers don't tell the entire story.

Another eight people who were accused of sexually assaulting an adult were arrested on other charges, such as aggravated battery. While those arrests would not show up in the rape statistics shared with the FBI, they still had the effect of getting someone accused of sexual assault off the streets.

Most adult sexual assaults occur behind closed doors between two people who know each other, said Gillian Snider, a former New York City police officer who teaches at John Jay College of Criminal

Justice. She said because there are usually no witnesses, it often comes down to one person claiming he was given consent and another claiming she did not give it.

Child-victim cases are easier to investigate and prosecute because all that needs to be determined is whether sexual activity took place, not whether the victim consented, Snider said. Children cannot legally consent to having sex.

Stuenkel said another reason reported sexual assaults are much higher than the number of arrests is because some victims decide not to pursue a case.

"She may have moved on with her life and decided she just doesn't want to deal with it anymore," he said.

But while that may explain some of the reasons the city's arrest rate is low,

it does not tell the whole story. Proving that consent was not given, particularly between a couple who have previously dated, is difficult.

In the case of Betsy O'Brien, she said her case was ultimately not pursued by authorities because she had a prior sexual relationship with the perpetrator.

"They said they didn't know how jurors would react to that information and they thought it would be hard to get a conviction. But how would they know how jurors would react if they have never pursued a case like mine? Societal views change over time. We could have gone to trial and we might have lost. But at least I would have had my day in court and my story would have been told," she said.

-Scott Reeder



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## FEATURE



Carrie Ward, executive director of the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault PHOTO BY SCOTT REEDER

angry with me because I called him every single day for three weeks and left a message and he hadn't gotten back to me. So, I called the general investigations line and I said, 'I've been trying to get hold of the detective. ... and I haven't been able to, so I would like to speak to someone about my case. He called me within five minutes, yelling. He said what I did made him look bad.'

Assistant Police Chief Joshua Stuenkel said that the story she related is inconsistent with department policy. He added crime victims should always be promptly called back.

"I would encourage anyone who is having difficulty reaching an investigator who's been assigned their case to call and request to talk to a supervisor," he said.

O'Brien filed an internal affairs complaint against the original detective in her case, but she said he was cleared of any wrongdoing, so *Illinois Times* has chosen not to identify him.

O'Brien said she learned through a Freedom of Information Act request that her case had been closed for lack of evidence before her rape kit had been returned from the Illinois State Police laboratory and the detective assigned to her case had not requested her medical report from St. John's Hospital, where she was treated after the assault.

Commander Pickford said that sometimes cases are placed on pending status while awaiting laboratory results, but a case should never be closed if there is still evidence pending.

O'Brien said she contacted a friend of a friend who worked for the police department and he arranged for her to speak with a different detective, who obtained her medical report. She also said she was informed that there never had been a warrant issued for the suspect's DNA.

According to documents obtained by *Illinois Times*, a warrant had indeed been drafted by the detective. But since such a warrant is only valid for 96 hours after being signed, the warrant remained unsigned in the hope that it could be executed if police became aware that the suspect had returned to Springfield.

When her rape kit was returned, male DNA was found in the sample, but not at a high enough level that it could be analyzed.

On April 8, 2021, she had a conference call with the new detective, someone from the state's attorney's office and a victim's advocate.

Sixteen months after the sexual assault, she was told hers was a case that would not be pursued. There was concern that a judge or jury might be reticent to convict because of earlier sexual activity between the pair.

After this encounter with the criminal justice bureaucracy, she said, "I spent a horrific night with the man who did this to me. But I've had two-and-a-half years dealing with the Springfield Police Department. Today, I feel more violated by the Springfield police than I did by the man who raped me." □

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### ARTS, CULTURE & ENTERTAINMENT

#### Abraham Lincoln historic site

- Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum
- Lincoln Home National Historic Site
- Lincoln's Tomb
- Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site
- Old State Capitol

#### Art studio/gallery

- DIM Art House
- Springfield Art Association
- The Pharmacy Gallery & Art Space
- Whimsy Tea Company
- Wild Rose Artisans

#### Charity event

- Fat Ass 5K
- Legacy Of Giving Music Festival
- Memorial Medical Festival of Trees
- Paint the Street
- Wooden It Be Lovely

#### Director of local theater

- Andrew Maynerich
- Cynthia Higginson
- Eric Thibodeaux Thompson
- Gus Gordon
- Reggie Guyton
- Scott Richardson - The Legacy Theatre

#### Drive-time radio show

- Dave & Dina 101.9 WOLF
- Jeff Hall Weekends - 103.7 WDBR
- Jim Leach - WMAY
- Morning Edition - NPR Illinois
- The Morning Mix with BONDSY - 99-7 The MIX

#### Festival

- Chatham Sweet Corn Festival
- Downhome Music Festival
- Memorial Medical Festival of Trees
- Old Capitol Art Fair
- Old Capitol Blues & BBQ
- Springfield PrideFest

#### Free entertainment

- Curve Inn
- Levitt AMP Music Series
- Old Capitol Farmers Market
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex
- Sherman Village Park Amphitheater
- Washington Park

#### Local comedian

- Jeremy Nunes
- Kathy Brennan
- Lance Cain
- Larry Smith
- Taylor Davis

#### Local living author

- Annaliese Hofner
- Courtney Westlake
- Courtney Wick
- Dan Eardley
- Ian Winterbauer
- Shatriya Smith

#### Local podcast

- Beyond the Mouse Podcast
- Blessed in this Mess, Lori Schlosser
- I Think You're Gonna Like This Podcast
- Oops All Necromancers
- Ray Lytle's Morning Disaster
- The Geek Awakens Podcast

#### Local sports team & sport

- Glenwood High School - Titans Football
- Rochester High School Football
- Sacred Heart-Griffin High School Football
- Springfield Jr. Blues Hockey
- Springfield Lucky Horseshoes

#### Museum

- Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum
- Dana -Thomas House
- Illinois State Military Museum
- Illinois State Museum
- Kidzeum
- Springfield & Central Illinois African American Museum

#### Place to buy local art

- DIM Art House
- Edwards Place Fine Art Fair
- Old Capitol Art Fair
- SAA Collective
- Studio on 6th
- Whimsy Tea Company

#### Place to go downtown

- Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum
- Buzz Bomb Brewing Co.
- Dumb Records
- Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery
- Old Capitol Farmers Market
- The Cardiologist

#### Place to see a play or musical indoor

- Dominican Hall Theatre, Sacred Heart-Griffin High School
- Hoogland Center for the Arts
- The Legacy Theatre
- UIS Performing Arts Center
- UIS Studio Theatre

#### Place to see a play or musical outdoor

- Sherman Park Amphitheater
- The Muni
- Theater in the Park - Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site
- Union Square Park

#### Public art/mural

- Art Alley
- Good Heart mural
- Penny Lane building
- The Trolls at Lincoln Memorial Gardens
- Wild Rose flower mural

#### Radio personality

- Bondsy - 99-7 The Mix
- Dina Michaels - 101.9 The Wolf
- Dj Blake - 103.7
- Greg Bishop - WMAY
- Jim Leach - WMAY
- Sam Madonia - WFMB

#### Theater performance - female lead

- Anna Benoit - My One and Only
- Anna Hedman - Addams Family
- Cam Lecocq - Matilda
- Jasmine Stubbs - The Little Mermaid Jr
- Norah Holzmacher - Moana

#### Theater performance - male lead

- Devin Leming, SpongeBob Musical
- Lance Frederick - Addams Family
- Matt Woodson - My One and Only
- Mike Wallace - Ragtime
- Shaw Riggs - Newsies

#### Tourist spot in Springfield not related to Abraham Lincoln

- Cozy Dog Drive In
- Dana -Thomas House
- Illinois State Fair
- Knights Action Park
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex

#### Visual artist

- Devin Larson
- Felicia Olin
- K. Smith Painted Love
- Mark Mangiaracina
- Monica Zanetti
- SonnyD Artistry

### CANNABIS/CBD

#### Biggest cannabis selection

- Ascend Downtown
- Ascend Horizon Drive
- Marabis - N. Grand
- Marabis - Lindbergh Boulevard

#### Biggest CBD selection

- CBD Botanicals
- Food Fantasies
- Penny Lane Gifts
- Simply CBD
- Upper Limits

#### Budtender and location

- Eric Wood - Ascend Horizon Drive
- Jimmy at Ascend
- Johnny Knight - Ascend
- Richard "Sonny" Loschen - Ascend Downtown
- Sam Allen - Maribis
- Sam Brubaker - Prairie State Hemp

#### Cannabis dispensary

- Ascend Downtown
- Ascend Horizon Drive
- Maribis - N. Grand
- Maribis - Lindbergh Boulevard

#### Cannabis strain

- Fruit Loops - CBD Botanicals
- GG4
- Jenny Kush
- Jet Fuel
- Magic Bullet
- Zkittles

#### CBD store

- CBD Botanicals
- Food Fantasies
- Penny Lane Gifts
- Prairie State Hemp
- Simply CBD
- Upper Limits

#### Edible

- Mindy's Gummies
- Moon drops
- Prairie State Hemp THC Gummy Worms
- Snooze Berries
- Space Gummies
- Wana Indica Blueberry

#### Health and beauty cannabis-infused product

- 1500mg Topicals Cream - CBD Botanicals
- Prairie State Hemp CBD bath bomb
- Simply CBD
- Tranquili-teas from Whimsy Tea Co. and Prairie State Hemp
- Unique Enchantments Salon & Gift Shoppe

#### Place to buy accessories for cannabis use

- CBD Botanicals
- Happy Daze
- Penny Lane Gifts
- Prairie State Hemp
- Upper Limits

### CIVIC & COMMUNITY

#### Apartment community

- Cobblestone Place Apartments
- Lake Pointe Apartments
- Lincoln Square
- Monroe Garden Apartments
- Orchard Park Apartments
- Prairie Vista Apartments
- Bewitching Botanicals
- Brandt
- Café Moxo
- O'Shea Builders
- Staab Funeral home
- Whimsy Tea Company

#### City official

- Ald. Kristin DiCenso
- Lakeisha Purchase
- Mayor Jim Langfelder
- Misty Buscher
- Springfield Police Department
- Neighborhood Police Officers

#### Clergyperson

- Eddie Lowen - West Side Christian Church
- Father Chris House - Christ the King
- Rev. Clint Cook at Real Life Church
- Rev. Martin Wouffe - Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist
- Rev. Paul Hemenway - Trinity Lutheran Church

#### County official

- Don Gray
- Josh Langfelder
- Paul Palazzolo
- Sheriff Jack Campbell
- Tony DelGiorno

#### Nonprofit

- Central Illinois Foodbank
- Community Child Care Connection
- Compass for Kids
- Forever Home Feline Ranch
- Helping Hands of Springfield
- Pheonix Center
- W.I.L.D. Canine Rescue

#### Place to volunteer

- Animal Protective League
- Compass for Kids
- Hospital Sisters Mission Outreach
- Phoenix Center
- Wooden It Be Lovely

#### Unsung hero

- Beth Ballinger - Feeding Springfield One Lasagna at a Time
- Charlene Powers - W.I.L.D. Canine Rescue
- Lauren Staab
- Leslie Sgro
- Nicole Florence

#### Up-and-coming leader

- Beth Ballinger - Feeding Springfield One Lasagna at a Time
- Erica Romines
- Lakeisha Purchase
- Liz Rupel
- Misty Buscher

#### Use of public Funds

- Citywide Recycling Services
- Fix the roads
- More bike trails
- Refund to taxpayers
- Rehab downtown buildings

### DRINK

#### Bartender & location name

- Darcy Darland - Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery
- Jennifer King - Trailblazer's Pub
- Mandi Brichard - Boone's
- Natalie Bernal - Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Stephanie Harris - Complex

#### Beer garden

- Curve Inn
- Locals Pawnee
- Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar, Grill & Museum
- Sangamo Brewing Co.
- The Blue Grouch Pub

#### Beer selection (on tap)

- Anvil & Forge Brewing and Distilling
- Buzz Bomb Brewing Co.
- Hand of Fate Brewing Company
- Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex
- Springfield Beer Co.

#### Coffee house

- Aviatori Coffeehouse
- Custom Cup
- Grab-A-Java, Inc.
- Scoop Du Jour
- Starbucks

#### Craft brewery

- Anvil & Forge Brewing and Distilling
- Buzz Bomb Brewing Co.
- Hand of Fate Brewing Company
- Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery
- Springfield Beer Co.

#### Happy hour

- Bella Milano
- Buzz Bomb Brewing Co.
- Curve Inn
- JP Kelly's
- Main Gate Bar & Grill
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex

#### Juice or smoothie bar

- Little Saigon
- Mimosa Vietnamese and Thai Restaurant
- Shake This Eat That
- Smoothie King
- Wild Wellness

#### Margaritas

- AZ-T-CA
- Blue Margarita Mexican Bar & Grill
- La Fiesta Grande
- Tacology 201
- Xochimilcor

#### New bar (opened after 8/1/21)

- Burbon Bar at Danenberger Family Vineyards
- Jamie's Route 66
- Kentucky Burn
- Replay Lounge
- Whiskey Jack's

#### Overall bar

- Buzz Bomb Brewing Co.
- Curve Inn
- Floyd's Thirst Parlor
- Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex

#### Specialty cocktail & location name

- Bloody Mary bar, Brewski's Pub
- Bloody Marys - JP Kelly's
- On Wednesday We Wear Pink - Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- Spicy Raspberry Margarita - Roots
- Latin Grill
- Strawberry Cooler - Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery

#### Wine bar

- 1st and 3rd Boutique & Wine Bar
- Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant
- Danenberger Family Vineyards
- It's All About Wine
- Sheedy Shores WineGarden

#### Winery

- Arpeggio Winery
- Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant
- Danenberger Family Vineyards
- Hill Prairie Winery
- Sheedy Shores WineGarden
- West of Wise Winery

### FOOD

#### Bakery

- Beelzebunz
- Incredibly Delicious
- Nothing Bundt Cakes
- SmallCakes Springfield
- Three Twigs Bakery

#### BBQ

- Gilly's Championship BBQ & Catering
- Hickory River Smokehouse
- Li'l Willy's Smokehouse BBQ
- Mission BBQ
- Smokey Bones
- Twyford BBQ

#### Breakfast

- Biscuits + Brunch
- Brunchfield Café
- Café Moxo
- Charlie Parker's Diner
- Le Peep
- Star 66 Cafe

#### Brunch

- Biscuits + Brunch
- Boone's
- Broadgauge
- Brunchfield Café
- Luminary Kitchen & Provisions

#### Burger

- Burger Bar and Back Door Lounge
- Five Guys
- Krekel's Custard & Hamburgers
- Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex

**Cajun seafood**

- Anchors Away
- Brunchfield Café
- Chesapeake Seafood House
- Replay Lounge
- Yummy Crab

**Caterer**

- Cured Catering
- Hamilton's Catering
- Nelson's Catering of Central Illinois
- Poe's Catering on the Hill Reception Center
- Twyford BBQ

**Chef and restaurant name**

- Aurora Coffey - Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- Justin Richardson - Curate, VELE, Soleil Cafe
- Keith Loukinen - Loukinens' on 4th
- Michael Higgins - Maldaner's Restaurant & Catering
- Sean Keeley - Broadgauge

**Chicken strips**

- Chick-fil-A
- County Market
- Dairy Queen
- Dublin Pub
- Home Plate Bar & Grill

**Chili**

- Cook's Spice Rack & Chili
- Dew Chilll Parlor
- Dublin Pub
- Steak 'n Shake
- The Chili Parlor

**Chinese**

- China Star
- Little Saigon
- Mimosas Vietnamese and Thai Restaurant
- Mekong Cafe
- Sunny China

**Cookies**

- Café Moxo
- Incredibly Delicious
- Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- MAD MACS
- Three Twigs Bakery

**Chicken Fried Steak**

- Boyd's New Generation Restaurant and Catering
- Chatham Café
- Cracker Barrel
- Lighthouse Family Restaurant
- Mama Lee's Sandbar

**Diner**

- Brunchfield Café
- Charlie Parker's diner
- Ritz's Lil Fryer
- Star 66 Cafe
- Sunrise Café

**Donut shop**

- Dunkin'
- Krispy Kreme Doughnuts
- Mel O Cream
- Scoop Du Jour
- Three Twigs Bakery

**Drive thru**

- Chick-fil-A
- Cozy Dog Drive In
- Dolphin Chicken, Fish and Grill
- Grab-A-Java, Inc.
- Maid-Rite
- Portillo's
- Taco Gringo

**Farm-to-table restaurant**

- Broadgauge
- Curate
- Engrained Brewery & Restaurant
- Loukinens' on 4th
- Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- Maldaner's Restaurant & Catering

**Fine dining**

- Bella Milano
- Broadgauge
- Curate
- Loukinens' on 4th
- Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- VeLe

**Food delivery**

- Antonio's Pizza
- Café Moxo
- Flavor of India
- Jimmy John's
- Nancy's Pizza

**Food truck**

- AZ-T-CA
- The Taco Joint
- Twyford BBQ
- Vose Korndogs
- Yum Yum hibachi on wheels

**Fried chicken**

- Old Luxemburg Inn
- Pizza Ranch
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex
- Star 66 Cafe
- Track Shack
- VFW Post #755

**Fried fish**

- Carter's Fish Market
- Dolphin Chicken, Fish and Grill
- Lake Springfield Tavern
- MJ's Fish and Chicken
- Track Shack

**Gluten-free menu**

- Beelzebunz
- Café Moxo
- Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant
- Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- Tacology 201

**Gyro**

- California Kitchen
- Dolphin Chicken, Fish and Grill
- Gyro Stop
- Pita-or-Bowl
- Yannis Gyros

**Horseshoe**

- Darcy's Pint
- Dublin Pub
- Ritz's Lil Fryer
- Springfield Carriage Company
- The Corner Pub and Grill

**Ice cream or froyo**

- Baskin-Robbins
- Cold Stone Creamery
- Dairy Queen
- Scoop Du Jour
- The Salted Lemon Market & Creamery

**Indian**

- Flavor of India
- Gateway to India
- Indian Cuisine

**Italian**

- Bella Milano
- Gabotoni's Restaurant
- La Piazza
- Papa Frank's
- Saputo's

**Japanese**

- Happy Sushi
- Mimosas Vietnamese and Thai Restaurant
- Osaka Japanese Restaurant
- Yum Yum hibachi on wheels

**Late-night eats**

- Antonio's Pizza
- Bill's Toasty Shop
- Dublin Pub
- Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex
- Star 66 Cafe

**Mexican restaurant**

- AZ-T-CA
- La Fiesta Grande
- Tacology 201
- Taqueria El Pollo
- Xochimilco

**New restaurant (opened after 8/1/21)**

- Beelzebunz
- Broadgauge
- Laguna Brava Mexican Restaurant
- Pita-or-Bowl
- Replay Lounge
- Wildflower Bakery

**Outdoor dining**

- Curate
- Incredibly Delicious
- Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex
- Tacology 201

**Overall restaurant**

- Broadgauge
- Curate
- Darcy's Pint
- Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex

**Pizza**

- Antonio's Pizza
- Bernie and Betty's Pizza
- DiCarlo's Pizza
- Dillon's Pizza
- Gabotoni's Restaurant
- The Foundry Pizza Kitchen at Anvil & Forge Brewing and Distilling

**Place for date night**

- Bella Milano
- Broadgauge
- Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant
- Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery

**Restaurant for dessert**

- BUNN Gourmet
- Incredibly Delicious
- Loukinens' on 4th
- Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- VeLe

**Seafood**

- Anchors Away
- Carter's Fish Market
- Chesapeake Seafood House
- Red Lobster
- Robert's Seafood Market
- VeLe

**Server & location**

- Gina Rapp - Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex
- Megan Szerletich - The Corner Pub and Grill
- Niki Herr - Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- Shane Hopper - Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery & Eatery
- Shawna Stevenson - Smokey Bones
- Z - Weebles Bar & Grill

**Soul food**

- AJ's Corner
- Boyd's New Generation Restaurant and Catering
- MJ's Fish & Chicken Express
- Ms. D's Kitchen
- Popeye's Louisiana Kitchen

**Sports bar and grill**

- Beef 'O' Brady's
- Brewski's Pub
- Brickhouse Grill & Pub
- Home Plate Bar & Grill
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex
- The Corner Pub and Grill

**Steakhouse**

- Alexander Steakhouse
- LongHorn Steakhouse
- Loukinens' on 4th
- Mariah's Steakhouse
- Old Luxemburg Inn
- Texas Roadhouse

**Sub/Sandwich**

- Head West Sub Stop
- Jersey Mike's Sub
- Jimmy John's
- Monty's Submarines
- Penn Station East coast subs
- Toasty Subs

**Sushi**

- Happy Sushi
- Human Restaurant
- Mimosas Vietnamese and Thai Restaurant
- Osaka Japanese Restaurant
- Sky Lounge

**Tacos**

- AZ-T-CA
- Taco Gringo
- Tacology 201
- The Taco Joint
- Xochimilco

**Take out**

- Café Moxo
- Carter's Fish Market
- China Star
- Hawaiian BBQ
- Magic Kitchen
- Taco Gringo

**Thai**

- Little Saigon
- Magic Kitchen
- Mekong Cafe
- Mimosas Vietnamese and Thai Restaurant
- Thai Kitchen 2

**Vegetarian-friendly**

- Beelzebunz
- Gateway to India
- Luminary Kitchen & Provisions
- Mekong Cafe
- Pita-or-Bowl

**Wedding cakes**

- Emmy Cakes
- Gateway to India
- Incredibly Delicious
- SmallCakes Springfield
- The Cake Shoppe
- Wildflower Bakery

**Wings**

- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Coz's Pizza and Pub
- Smokey Bones
- Westwoods Lodge Pub & Grill
- Wings Etc.

**GOODS & SERVICES**

**Accountant**

- Brian Bates - Coonrod Financial
- Danielle Alstott
- David Humke
- Jim Hogge - Eck, Schafer & Punke
- Troy A. Washko, CPA

**Auto service**

- Car-X Tire & Auto
- Floyd Imports
- Lauterbach Tire & Auto Service
- Vern's Auto Repair
- Wilkerson's Service Center

**Bank**

- Bank of Springfield
- INB
- Marine Bank
- Security Bank
- United Community Bank

**Barber & location**

- Brett Damm - Damm's Barbershop, Chatham
- Cody Ownbey - The Men's Room
- Jeremy Bredemeyer - Hair of the Dog BAR/bershop
- Logan Baptiste - Hair of the Dog BAR/bershop
- Myles Alexander - Appearances Salon & Retreat

**Barber shop**

- Beggs Barbershop
- Dukett's Barbershop
- Hair of the Dog BAR/bershop
- The Men's Room
- Damm's Barbershop

**Car wash - automatic**

- Car Wash City
- Club Car Wash
- On Track Car Wash
- Rainstorm Car Wash
- Susan's Auto Wash

**Collision center**

- Chatham Collision Repair, Inc.
- Kim's Autobody, Inc.
- Phoenix Collision
- Schuitt Collision Center
- Springfield Collision Center

**Credit union**

- CFCU
- Heartland Credit Union
- Illinois Educators Credit Union
- Illinois State Police Federal Credit Union
- Land of Lincoln Credit Union

**Dry cleaner**

- Capital City Cleaners
- Crystal Cleaners
- Davis Cleaners
- Family Pride Cleaners
- Starcrest Cleaners

**Event planner**

- Designed with Detail
- Khloeskreation
- Pole Barn Chic Events, LLC
- Smokey Bones
- Prairie View Reception Center
- Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau

**Event rental company**

- Designed with Detail
- Noonan's True Value Rental and Party Plus
- Rustic Love Rentals
- Signature Event Rental
- Springfield Photo Booth Rental

**Financial advisor**

- Amy Barnes - INB
- Brandon Wellman - Prudential
- Drew Davis - BOS Financial
- Robert Gordon - Robert Gordon & Associates, Inc.
- Tate Hartman - Heartland Credit Union
- Tate Jones - UCB Financial Services

**Flower shop**

- Fifth Street Flower Shop
- Flower Connection
- Flowers by Mary Lou
- Trendsetters Floral
- True Colors Floral

**Funeral home**

- Bisch Funeral Home
- Bramley Funeral Home
- Butler Funeral Homes & Cremation Tribute Center
- Staab Funeral Homes
- Wilson Park Funeral Home, Rochester

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**Hair salon**

- Appearances Salon & Retreat
- BJ Grand Salon & Spa
- Clark & Co. Beauty Lab
- Mane Moxie
- Willow & Birch

**Hair stylist (name of location)**

- Dustin Harmony - Mirror Art Hair Design
- Grant Scott - The Refinery
- Hannah Hendrickson - Willow & Birch
- Natalie Grider - Appearances Salon & Retreat
- Riley Craig - Ri & Co. Salon
- Whitney Kotowski - Mane Moxie

**Insurance agency & agent national**

- Damon Priddy - State Farm
- Jake Surratt - Country Financial
- Mark Cortesi - State Farm Insurance
- Mike McNicholas - State Farm Insurance
- Trae Covington - State Farm Insurance
- Tyler Scanlan - State Farm Insurance

**Insurance independent agent & agency**

- Brad Leonard - Bank of Springfield
- Jerry Faulkner - Goodenow Insurance
- Jordan Kitchens - Bailey Family Insurance
- Lori Ruppel Williams - Troxell
- Missy Haley - United Community Bank

**Lawyer & firm name**

- Greg Sgro - Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin, Reinbold, L.L.P.
- Patrick J. Sheehan - Sheehan & Sheehan
- Tom Pavlik - Delano Law Offices, LLC
- Tony DelGiorno - DelGiorno Law Office
- W. Scott Hanken

**Mortgage lender**

- Bank of Springfield
- Capital Mortgage Team
- Heartland Credit Union
- INB
- Marine Bank
- United Community Bank

**Moving company**

- Hillier Moving & Storage
- Moscardelli Moving & Storage, Inc.
- Springfield Van & Storage Co.
- Two Men and a Truck
- Underfanger Moving & Storage (Mayflower)

**Nail salon**

- BJ Grand Salon & Spa
- Luxe Nail Bar
- Nailsbyale.d
- Polish Nail Spa
- SOAK Nails Massage Spa

**Pet boarding**

- Fun Animal Sports Training & Boarding
- K-9 Kennels
- Kinner Kennels
- Laketown Animal Hospital
- Sangamon Avenue Veterinary Clinic, Howliday Inn and Suites

**Pet grooming**

- Ashley's At-Home Grooming
- Laketown Animal Hospital
- Pet Supplies Plus
- Pup.E.Tails
- Suds N' Pups Pet Grooming and Doggie Daycare

**Photographer**

- 1221 Photography
- Kate Spencer
- Kristi Mitchell Photography
- Nicole Gray - Gray Photography Company
- Tara Long - Tara Long Photography

**Real estate agency**

- Campo Realty
- Keller Williams Capital
- RE/MAX Professionals
- The Real Estate Group
- Webb & Associates

**Real estate team**

- Deb Sarsany Team - The Real Estate Group
- Jami Winchester Team - The Real Estate Group
- Jane Hay Sales & Staging - The Real Estate Group
- Kathy Garst Sales Team - The Real Estate Group
- The Killebrew Team - The Real Estate Group
- Your Home Team - The Real Estate Group

**Realtor & name of agency**

- Adam Bugos Winchester Sales Team - The Real Estate Group Inc.
- Becky Lober Hendricks, Broker/ Partner - The Real Estate Group
- Britni Beck - Campo Realty
- Dustin Walker - The Walker Sales Team at Campo Realty
- Kyle Killebrew - The Real Estate Group

**Storage facility**

- Central Illinois Storage, Chatham
- Old Route 36 Mini Storage
- SJ Mini-Storage
- Stuff-it Storage
- U Haul Moving & Storage, Chatham Road

**Tattoo artist and name of shop**

- Benny DeWitt - Good Heart Tattoos
- David Gottschalk - New Age Tattoo
- Jason Lee - New Age Tattoo & Body Piercings
- Jesse Flock - New Age Tattoo & Body Piercings
- Josh Claussen - Wicked Ink

**Tattoo shop**

- Black Moon Tattoo
- Good Heart Tattoos
- New Age Tattoo & Body Piercings
- Poke and a Rub art studio
- Wicked Ink

**Tire shop**

- Brahler Tire & Auto Center
- Checkpoint, Chatham
- Discount Tire
- Lauterbach Tire & Auto Service
- Wilkerson's Service Center

**Veterinarian clinic**

- Grace Veterinary Clinic
- Laketown Animal Hospital
- Myers Animal Clinic
- The Village Veterinarian
- White Oaks West Animal Hospital

**Wedding venue**

- Arlington's
- Erin's Pavilion Southwind Park
- Inn at 835
- Long Bridge Golf Course
- Paul's Paradise

**HEALTH & WELLNESS**

**Assisted-living community**

- Carriage Crossing Senior Living
- Concordia Village
- Rochester Estates
- The Villas Senior Care Facility
- Villas of Holly Brook - Chatham

**Chiropractor**

- Dr. John Curry - Curry Chiropractic
- Dr. Paul Venturini
- Dr. Rodney Holzmacher - Holzmacher Chiropractic
- Dr. Samantha Waggener - Waggener Chiropractic and Wellness Center
- Dr. Tana Frisina - Frisina Family Wellness

**Cosmetic surgeon**

- Dr. Cochran - Springfield Clinic Plastic Surgery
- Dr. Nada Berry, SIU Medicine
- Dr. Nicole Sommer, SIU Medicine
- Joel Weitfeldt - Springfield Clinic Plastic Surgery
- Robert Russell - Heartland Plastic Surgery Center

**Dentist office**

- Dr. Jim Santarelli, DDS
- Milner Dentistry
- Prairie Dental Group
- Renken Dentistry
- Matt VanderMolen - Advanced Dental Care of Springfield

**Dietitian**

- Amanda Figge, MS, RD, CSSD, LDN - Springfield Clinic
- Charlyn Ware - SIU Medicine
- Donna Chestnut - HSHS St. John's
- Kathy Levin - Nutritiously Simple
- Lauren Parish - FitClub

**Doctor & practice name**

- Cara E. Vasconcelles, MD - Memorial Koke Mill
- Dhaha Raab, MD - Memorial Medical
- Dr. Anne Martin - SIU Medicine
- Dr. Ben Cady - Springfield Clinic
- Dr. Jennifer Schuermann - Springfield Clinic
- Dr. Misty Phillips Springfield Clinic

**Esthetician**

- Andrea Bradley - Meraki Salon and Spa
- Haley Duewer - Mane Moxie
- Jade Hart - The Hair Studio
- Kristin Devocelle - Inner Health Spa
- Jeni Dozier-Sullivan - Sage & Savasny
- Stevie Lievens - Willow & Birch

**Golf course**

- Brookhills Golf Course
- Edgewood Golf Club
- Long Bridge Golf Course
- Panther Creek Golf Course
- Pastfield Golf Course

**Gym or fitness center**

- CrossFit XLT
- FitClub
- Orangetheory Fitness
- Pure Performance Fitness Center
- YMCA

**Health food grocery store**

- Food Fantasies
- Harvest Market
- Hy-Vee

**Hearing-aid clinic**

- Central Illinois Hearing
- Heartland Hearing
- Kerr Hearing Aid Center, Inc.
- SIU Audiology Listening, Learning & Language Center
- Springfield Clinic

**Holistic-health center**

- AlignLife - Chiropractic and Natural Health Center
- Frisina Family Wellness
- Heartland Healing Arts
- Inner Health Spa
- Pure Synergy

**Home care**

- Home Instead
- HSHS Illinois Home Care & Hospice
- Memorial Home Care
- SYNERGY HomeCare
- Visiting Angels

**Independent-living community**

- Brenden Gardens
- Concordia Village
- Eastland Independent and Assisted Senior Living
- Hickory Glen
- Seasons Under the Oaks

**Lasik**

- Gailey Eye Clinic
- Prairie Eye Center
- Springfield Clinic

**Martial arts studio (adult)**

- Gracie Humaita Jiu Jitsu of Springfield
- John Geyston's Empowered Martial Arts Academy
- Progressive Kenpo Karate, Cardio Kickboxing and Krav Maga
- Sangamon Aikikai
- Shudo Kan Karate Club

**Massage therapist**

- Janet Icenogle, RMT
- Jordan Rayhill - Pure Synergy
- Makayla Bertrand, RMT
- Michael Kirchgessner - MK Sports and Therapeutic Massage
- Molly Crow Gorup - Pure Synergy

**Medical equipment**

- American Medical
- Memorial Home Health
- Springfield Clinic
- Vono Medical Supply

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**Medical facility**

- HSHS St. John's Hospital
- Simmons Cancer Institute
- SIU Center for Family Medicine
- Springfield Clinic
- Springfield Memorial Hospital

**Medical spa (Botox, filler, etc.)**

- Aesthetics-Wellness at Ophthalmology Center of Illinois
- Bel Viso Medical Aesthetics
- Institute for Plastic Surgery at SIU
- Rose Aesthetics & Wellness Clinic
- Springfield Clinic Center for Plastic Surgery

**Minor emergency clinic**

- HSHS Priority Care
- Memorial Express Care
- Springfield Clinic Urgent Care

**Nurse & practice name**

- Help at Home Springfield
- Libby Lewis Tolley RN - Women and Infants Center HSHS
- Melanie Reynolds Memorial Care
- Meleah Berkowitz: Memorial Medical
- Mindy Vance - Springfield Clinic
- Sarah Ruppel - SIU School of Medicine Psychiatry

**Orthopedic care**

- Foot & Ankle Center of Illinois - Dr. John Sigle
- HSHS Orthopedics and Sports Medicine
- Orthopedic Center of Illinois
- SIU Pediatric Orthopedics
- Springfield Clinic Orthopedics

**Personal trainer**

- Bennett Personal Training
- Chad Marchik - Body Symmetry
- Cindy Ward
- Dustin Bateman - Snap 24/7 Auburn
- Jordan Vaniter - FitClub

**Physical therapy**

- Frisina Family wellness
- HSHS St. John's Physical Therapy
- Memorial Medical Rehab
- Physiotherapy Professionals
- Springfield Clinic Rehabilitation Services

**Spa (no injections used)**

- BJ Grand Salon & Spa
- Meraki Salon and Spa
- Pure Synergy Massage
- Spavia Day Spa
- Willow & Birch

**Weight-loss clinic**

- Frisina Family Wellness
- Internal Medicine at SIU Medicine
- Memorial Wellness Center
- Rose Aesthetics & Wellness Clinic
- Springfield Clinic Bariatric Weight Loss Center

**Women's healthcare center**

- Frisina Family Wellness
- HSHS St. John's Women and Infants Center
- SIU Medicine
- Springfield Clinic Women's Health Center

**Yoga studio**

- Ahh Yoga
- Balance Yoga
- FLOW Midwest Yoga & Meditation
- WholeSelf Healing Yoga & Meditation
- YMCA

**Home & Garden**

**AC/Heating company**

- Allied Plumbing, Heating & Cooling
- Henson Robinson Co.
- Klughart Mechanical & Construction Contractors
- MB Heating & Cooling, Plumbing & Electric
- Rich Gatschenberger Heating & Cooling

**Air duct cleaning**

- Duct Dusters, LLC
- Klughart Mechanical & Construction Contractors
- Knob Hill Landscape Company
- Nylas Cleaning Service
- Peerless Cleaning & Restoration Services
- Tiger Plumbing, Heating, Air Conditioning and Electrical Services

**Carpet & flooring**

- Arizona Tile
- Carpet Weavers Flooring & Furniture Gallery
- Nylas Cleaning Service
- RKS Construction, Inc.
- Staff Carpet

**Cleaning service (residential)**

- Cardinal Cleaning
- Golden Rule Cleaning, Inc.
- Lady Made Cleaning, LLC
- Maids R Us, Inc.
- Peerless Cleaning & Restoration Services

**Electrical company**

- B & B Electric
- IQ Group
- MB Heating & Cooling, Plumbing & Electric
- R. Watts Electric
- Ryan Electric

**Foundation repair**

- Greentree Waterproofing, Inc.
- Helitech Waterproofing & Foundation Repair
- Woods Basement Systems

**Furniture store**

- Ashley Home Store
- Carpet Weavers Flooring & Furniture Gallery
- Furniture Row
- Hendricks Home Furnishings
- Homescapes | Jim Wilson Interiors
- Slumberland Furniture
- Sugar Creek Furnishings

**Garden center**

- Farmers Market
- Green View Garden Center
- New City Greenhouse
- Pleasant Nursery
- The Apple Barn
- Laketown True Value

**Hardware/lumber store**

- Ace Hardware
- Carter Bros.
- Lowe's Home Improvement
- Menards
- Noonan True Value

**Home builder**

- Buraski Builders
- Michael von Behren Builder, Inc.
- Moughan Builders
- Pankey Builders
- Zinn Construction

**Home furnishings**

- Hendricks Home Furnishings
- La-Z-Boy Furniture
- Magnolia Lane Home Décor and More
- Paige Henderson Designs
- Sutton's
- Zinn Construction

**Home remodeling company**

- Buraski Builders
- DreamMaker Kitchens and Baths
- Paige Henderson Designs
- Sutton's
- Zinn Construction

**Kitchen design**

- Capitol Group Kitchen & Bath Design Center
- Distinctive Designs
- DreamMaker Kitchens and Baths
- Michael von Behren Builder, Inc.
- Paige Henderson Designs

**Landscape company**

- Designer Landscapes
- Knob Hill Landscape Company
- Scooter's Lawn Care, Inc.
- TaylorMade Landworks
- Tripp Landscaping

**Landscape designer**

- Green View Garden Center
- Image Design & Landscaping
- Knob Hill Landscape Company
- Scooter's Lawn Care, Inc.
- Tripp Landscaping

**Landscape supply**

- Artisan Stone Products
- Bedrock Materials
- Chapman Stone
- Designer Landscapes
- Pedigo Sod

**Lawn care**

- Designer Landscapes
- Horse Creek Lawn Care
- JP's Lawn Care
- Robertson Lawn Care
- Scooter's Lawn Care, Inc.

**Lawn mower sales & service**

- Farm and Home Supply
- Henry's Service Center
- Illinois Power Equipment
- Kunz Mower Service
- Sloan's

**Nursery**

- Buckley's Prairie Landscaping
- Green View Garden Center
- New City Greenhouse
- Pleasant Nursery
- Seaney Farms

**Paint store**

- Deller's Paint Company
- Don Smith Paint
- Lowe's Home Improvement
- Menards
- Sherwin-Williams

**Painter**

- Brent Judd, Profinish Painting
- Cinric Painting
- Dan Deweese Painting
- High Egg Spectations
- Steve Lockwood

**Pest control company**

- Bacon's Termite & Pest Control
- Newberry's Termite and Pest Control
- Orkin
- Sentinel Pest Control
- Sonny Adams Pest Control

**Place to buy a mattress**

- Ashley Outlet
- Hendricks Home Furnishings
- Just Beds
- Sleep Number
- Verlo Mattress

**Plumbing company**

- Allied Plumbing, Heating & Cooling
- Henson Robinson Co.
- MB Heating & Cooling, Plumbing & Electric
- Rick Ray Plumbing
- Tiger Plumbing, Heating, Air Conditioning and Electrical Services

**Pool & spa supplies**

- Bollman's Pool & Spa Co
- Illini Pools
- Pool Supply Warehouse
- Southern Ledge Pools and Patios
- The Pool Center

**Roofing company**

- Copper Creek Contractors
- Les Jackson Roofing
- Sunley Roofing
- Sutton's
- Top It All Roofing

**Tree trimming/removal**

- Brown Storm Service
- Greener Tree Care, LLC
- Leka Tree Service
- Sangamon Tree Service
- Throop and Son Tree Service
- To the Top Tree Service

**Window & siding company**

- Bobby Shaw Building and Remodeling
- Capital Home Improvement
- Copper Creek Contractors
- Sutton's
- Window World of Springfield

**Kids Stuff**

**Children's support organization**

- Children's Miracle Network
- Community Child Care Connection
- Compass for Kids
- Girls on the Run
- Mini O'Beirne Crisis Nursery

**Children's clothing store**

- Carter's
- Just Kids
- Luers
- Old Navy
- Once Upon A Child

**Dance studio**

- Above & Beyond Dance Company
- Dance Arts Studio
- Jan's Dance Studio
- Springfield Dance
- Studio M Dance Centre

**Day care center**

- Kimmy Kares Daycare
- Lake Shore Learning Center
- My Friends Discovery Center
- Pleasant Park Child Development Center at Chatham
- Silverleaf Children's Academy

**Family fun spot**

- Bounce Tag
- Kidzeum
- Knights Action Park
- SCHEELS
- Washington Park

**Gymnastics**

- Outlaw Athletics
- Springfield Gymnastics Center
- The CoMplex by Studio M Dance Center
- The Little Gym
- YMCA

**Kid-friendly place**

- Bounce Tag
- Kidzeum
- Knights Action Park
- Lincoln Library
- Washington Park
- YMCA

**Kid-friendly restaurant**

- Home Plate Bar & Grill
- Pizza Ranch
- Red Robin Gourmet Burgers
- The Creek Pub & Grill
- Three twigs Bakery

**Kids' art classes**

- B's Creative Studio
- Springfield Art Association
- Michael's Kids Projects
- Springfield YMCA
- China Towne

**Kids' eat free**

- Charlie Parker's Diner
- Dublin Pub
- Home Plate Bar & Grill

**Kids' events/day camps**

- Compass for Kids Safari at the Zoo
- Illinois State Fair
- Kidzeum's Birthday Party
- Lincoln Memorial Garden Fall Harvest Festival
- YMCA kid's Triathlon

**Martial arts studio (kids)**

- Gracie Humaita Jiu Jitsu of Springfield
- John Geyston's Empowered Martial Arts Academy
- Progressive Kenpo Karate, Cardio Kickboxing and Krav Maga
- Springfield Karate and Fitness
- YMCA

**Orthodontics**

- Groesch, Longos & Middleton Orthodontics
- Tuthmvr Orthodontics

**Pediatrics center**

- Frisina Family Wellness
- HSHS St. John's Children's Hospital
- Memorial Physician Services Pediatrics
- SIU Pediatrics
- Springfield Clinic Pediatrics

**Private school**

- Calvary Academy
- Little Flower Catholic School
- Sacred Heart-Griffin High School
- Springfield Christian School
- St. Agnes School

**Public school (9-12)**

- Glenwood High School
- Rochester High School
- Southeast High School
- Springfield High School
- Springfield Public Schools District 186

**Public school (K-8)**

- Auburn Elementary School
- Ball Elementary School
- Iles Elementary School
- Rochester Elementary School
- Springfield Public Schools District 186

**Summer camp**

- Lake Springfield Christian Assembly
- Lutheran High School summer camp
- Springfield Art Association/Edwards Place
- Y.N.O.T. Camp
- YMCA

**Swim lessons**

- Bearsharktopus Aquatics
- Keegan O'Reilly
- Nelson Center
- PORTA pool
- YMCA

**Tutoring or learning center**

- Kumon Math and Reading Center of Springfield
- Lawrence Education Center
- Sylvan Learning
- YMCA

**MUSIC**

**Bass player**

- Bruce Williams
- Eric Tinsley
- Harrison Ketchum
- Jeff Cunningham
- Steve Miller
- Ty Ellis

**Choral group**

- Glenwood Titan Fever
- Rochester High School Madrigals
- Sound Celebration Chorus
- Springfield Choral Society
- Springfield High School 7 & Senators

**Cover music band**

- Captain Geech and the Shrimp Shack Shooters
- Deja Voodoo
- FunDMC
- Lick Creek
- UNCHAINED

**DJ - their name and club name**

- DJ C dub - The Alamo
- DJ Dave Isaacs - Goodfellas Pub
- DJ Mikee - Curve Inn
- DJ Yuri - Curate
- Lonnie Lucas
- Mike Greer - Audio Effects

**DJ Wedding**

- Cory Brown
- DJ Dave Isaacs
- FunDMC
- Sam Sevens
- Troy Armstrong

**Drummer**

- Austin Skeeters
- Brandon Carnes
- Eric Austin
- Kevin Klickna
- Matthew Runions

**Guitarist**

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**Horn player**

- Brian Moore
- Dave Littrell
- Dennis Jones
- Frank Parker
- Kerri Donavan

**Keyboardist**

- Damian Kaplan
- Ezra Casey
- Roger Wainwright
- Stan Rapp
- Steve Marvel

**Live music venue - large**

- Boondocks
- Curve Inn
- Danenberger Family Vineyards
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex
- Sherman Village Park Amphitheater

**Live music venue - small**

- Buzz Bomb Brewing Co.
- Dumb Records
- Locals, Pawnee
- Sheedy Shores WineGarden
- The Alamo
- The Gin Mill

**Music festival**

- Downhome Music Festival
- Fat Ass 5k
- Legacy of Giving Music Festival
- Levitt AMP Music Series
- Old Capitol Blues & BBQ

**Open mic**

- Curve Inn
- Joel Honey & Silas Tockey
- Roger & Mandy
- Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex
- The Blue Grouch Pub, Thursday open mic with Sam and Kortney

**Original music band**

- Lick Creek
- NIL8
- The Lovelorn
- The Mary Jo Curry Band
- UNCHAINED

**Overall band**

- Lick Creek
- Captain Geech and the Shrimp Shack Shooters
- Deja Voodoo
- The Lovelorn
- UNCHAINED

**Place for karaoke**

- Burger Bar and Back Door Lounge
- Curve Inn
- Kookoo's 2
- The Blue Grouch Pub
- Whiskey Jack's

**Place to dance**

- Clique
- Curve Inn
- Locals, Pawnee
- The Blue Grouch Pub
- Weebles Bar & Grill

**Songwriter**

- David Allen
- Ella Gibson
- Kid Ziggy
- Micah Walk
- Tom Irwin

**Vocalist female**

- Ella Gibson
- Jessica Knight-Carnes
- Mandy Rose
- Mary Jo Curry
- Melanie Dennison

**Vocalist male**

- David Allen
- Jason McKenzie
- Kid Ziggy
- Lance Stone
- Lucas McCaffert

**RETAIL**

**Antique or vintage store**

- Abe's Tradin' Post
- Dear Yesteryear
- Silvernicks New & Used
- Springfield Vintage
- Tammi's Treasures Antiques & More

**Auto dealer new**

- Friendly Chevrolet
- Green Hyundai
- Isringhausen Imports
- Landmark Automotive Group
- S&K GMC

**Auto dealer used**

- Freedom Chevrolet
- Green Hyundai
- Landmark Automotive Group
- Robert's Automotive
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**Clothing store - used**

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- Plato's Closet
- Remarkable Resale
- Second Time Around
- Springfield Vintage

**Clothing store - women**

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- Gypsy Soul

**Consignment & resale store**

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**Convenience Store**

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- Aviatori Coffeehouse
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**New business not downtown (opened after 8/1/21)**

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"Liberty," designed by Blake Detherage and modeled by Cassandra.



"Romantic Soldier," designed and modeled by Marco Mulder. The text he is holding reads: "My only weapon is love."

# Wearable art comes alive

Downtown Springfield gallery showcases creative talent

FASHION | Joseph Copley Photos by 1221 Photography

Recycled fabric, cardboard and plastic found new life on the runway at this year's annual fashion show at The Pharmacy Gallery & Art Space. Some of the best creative talent Springfield has to offer was on display with dynamic style. "It has become a yearly tradition of the Pharmacy to have a fashion show," said Marco Mulder, an artist and Pharmacy member. "So many designers from last year came back with new designs this year."

The event, which took place Sept. 10, showcased wearable designs from over a dozen artists and makers. Both Pharmacy members and a selection of guest designers participated. "It was a great success," said Milder, who modeled his own piece, titled "Romantic Soldier," an outfit incorporating a sign reading "My only weapon is love" and made of plywood, chains, nuts and bolts. Milder calls

the piece "hardware" because all the elements come from the hardware store.

"Diane Schleyhahn, who helped organize the show, challenged the models to be more theatrical," said Milder. "It is an amazing experience to walk out into the spotlight with Detroit techno music, a deep-voiced announcer bragging about you and the roar of enthusiastic audience members all around you."

Marco has been a painter for 30 years and is embracing fashion design after joining The Pharmacy three years ago. "Every creation is accepted, so long as it is about love and originality," said Milder. "I have already started on a new costume for next year and it will be spectacular. This kind of activity is healing to the soul."

Many of this year's designs had a deeper message behind them. "All of my pieces

focused on using recyclable materials as much as possible," said Blake Detherage, a designer and photographer. "I believe we live in a world of carefree gluttony, and that conditioning has ravaged our relationship with our planet, 'Spaceship Earth.'"

Detherage had three different different creations on the runway this year – each with its own message. "This lack of empathy for our world is not only destroying the planet, but our connections with ourselves as well," said Detherage. "It's time to educate and trim the fat. We are capable of doing more with less."

Detherage's piece titled "Liberty" takes aim at oil company profits. "Burning promises while dealing dirty with oil to pad pockets leads to disgraceful defacement of our pursuit of happiness, life and liberty," said Detherage.

"A menagerie of cardboard, packaged plastics, lighting effects and stuffing, this piece had the most accessories, with a bag o' cash, burning torch and flaming headpiece."

The fashion show coincided with the opening of The Pharmacy's new exhibit, titled "Black, White and More." It featured work from Pharmacy members and a collection of guest designers, including Chicago-based photographer Jim Spizzo. His dystopian piece "Strangers in a Strange Land" will be on display as part of an exhibition of B&W photography. "Black, White and More" will be on display through November at the gallery's downtown location. □

*Joseph Copley is production designer for Illinois Times and co-publisher of Activator, the music and arts magazine.*



**"Paper Chase,"** designed by Blake Detherage and modeled by Luella.



**"Mountain Maiden,"** designed and modeled by Severyn Beekman.



**"Vintage dystopia beneath the waves,"** designed and modeled by Clare Frachey.



**"Childhood Memories, a quilted doll dress,"** designed and modeled by Bri Skeels.

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# Appreciate pears

This pear tart is a showstopper

FOOD | Ashley Meyer

Pears are perhaps one of the most underrated fruits of the fall season. While apples and pumpkin spice may steal all the autumnal fanfare, pears are as delicious as they are versatile and nutritious. Popular varieties of pears available in most markets include Anjou, Bartlett, Comice and Starkkrimson, all varieties that will be tender and juicy when ripe. Varieties that will be more crisp when ripe include Bosc, Sekel, Concorde and Forelle. These crisper type pears will work best for recipes where the pears are to remain intact, such as when roasting alongside a piece of pork tenderloin or to poach in spiced wine.

One of the rare fruits that do not ripen on the tree, pears are harvested when mature but not fully ripened. When stored at room temperature they ripen from the inside out, becoming progressively sweeter and juicier. You can check pears for ripeness by gently pressing your thumb into the stem end of the pear. If there's some give in the fruit's flesh then you know it's ripe and ready to eat. Once pears are ripe they can be transferred to a refrigerator to slow the ripening process and should be eaten within five days.

While a perfectly ripe pear needs no augmentation or accompaniment, it can play a role bringing out the best in other ingredients. Sliced juicy pears are perfect on a cheeseboard or in a salad. Like apples, sliced pears will brown and therefore should be sliced right before serving. If you're looking to prepare pears ahead, perhaps for a potluck salad or meal prep, consider roasting them. Core and slice firm pears and toss lightly with oil and a sprinkle of salt before arranging in a single layer on a parchment-lined baking sheet. Roast in a 425-degree oven for 10-15 minutes until lightly browned and just tender. Roasted pears can be cooled to room temperature and stored in the fridge for three days.

## Pear Frangipane Tart

This is an incredible showstopper of a dish and an ideal finish to a leisurely dinner party or holiday fete. The classic flavor combination of pear and almond come together in a dish that is beautiful to behold yet deceptively straightforward to prepare. This recipe is adapted from one featured in *Martha Stewart's Pies and Tarts*, which remains one of my favorite tomes on the subject.

Note that this recipe does require several hours for the pears to cool in their poaching liquid (this can be done up to five days ahead),



Pear Frangipane Tart PHOTO BY ASHLEY MEYER

so some planning will be required. You can make this recipe using canned pear halves in light syrup, which allows you to skip the poaching step entirely. The finished dish won't have the same nuanced flavors, but it will still be stunning and delicious.

For the pears:

- 6 firm but ripe pears, such as Bosc, stem intact
- 1 bottle white wine (or substitute 25 ounces cider)
- 1 cup sugar (reduce if using cider or sweet wine)
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- One strip lemon zest
- 5 cardamom pods or 1 cinnamon stick

For the tart:

- One unbaked 10-inch pie shell, chilled (from one half recipe of basic pie dough, see <https://www.illinoistimes.com/springfield/easy-as-pie/Content?oid=11439241>)
- ½ cup unsalted butter
- ½ cup sugar

- 1 egg
- 1 cup almond flour (other nut flours work also)
- 3 tablespoons dark rum or brandy
- ½ teaspoon almond extract
- 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour

First, poach the pears. Bring the wine, sugar, lemon juice and zest, and cardamom or cinnamon, to a boil in a large saucepan. While the mixture heats, peel the pears, keeping them whole and the stems intact. Lower the pears into the boiling mixture and lower the temperature to a gentle simmer. Cook for 15-20 minutes, turning the pears in the liquid as necessary to facilitate even cooking. Remove the pears from the poaching liquid when they are tender enough to be easily pierced with a knife and transfer them to a covered heat-proof bowl. Raise the heat on the poaching liquid to a brisk boil and reduce by half. Strain the reduced poaching liquid over the pears, removing the spices and lemon, then cover and let them come to room temperature before refrigerating for at least 4 hours, or preferably overnight.

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees while you make the frangipane. Cream the butter and sugar together in the bowl of a mixer or food processor until fluffy and pale. Add the egg, ground almonds, rum or brandy, almond extract and flour and beat until smooth. Using a spatula, spread the thick mixture over the chilled tart shell. Place the filled tart in the fridge while you prepare the pears.

Remove the pears from their poaching liquid and cut each in half lengthwise (reserve the poaching liquid). Remove the core and stem, then place cut side down and slice the pears into thin slices. Arrange the sliced pear halves decoratively over the frangipane. Transfer the tart to the preheated oven and bake for 45 minutes, until the crust is lightly browned and the frangipane is puffed and golden. While the crust bakes, transfer ½ cup of the poaching liquid to a small saucepan and reduce by half to a syrupy consistency. Brush this glaze over the top of the pears while the tart is still hot from the oven, then cool to room temperature before serving. □

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Al Holliday and The East Side Rhythm Band plays SamJam this Saturday.

## Sam, SamJam, music for paws

NOW PLAYING | Tom Irwin

Dive right on into our observations and distillations of the Springfield music scene to find what you can on our voyage of discovery and adventure. This week sadly brings mourning for a great friend and fellow musician in our small part of the world, along with an assortment of things to do involving live music that our gone, but far from forgotten, compadre would have enjoyed to the max.

Sam Draper passed away on Sept. 14, 2022, and with that we all lost a decades-long, driving force in the local scene. From all his bands that played very well, so many songs folks like to hear, to the countless hours of open mic hosting, Sam was an integral part of what went on in music in Springfield. But beyond the performance musical aspect, he also gave his heart and soul to everything he was involved in, including doing charitable work in numerous fundraisers and giving deep and lasting encouragement to others to make their own music, all while creating lasting friendships that crossed boundaries and generations.

I read so many incredible tributes and memorials to Sam on Facebook and each one contained the same thread about his ability to motivate and uplift those around him. And I do believe he gave us the greatest gift (and the answer...) through leading a life of inspiration that survives by thriving and growing in us from those seeds of love Sam planted in his time on earth. Rest well, Sam, and know the music you made through all those you moved and motivated lives on.

On Saturday, down Carlinville way at the Macoupin County Fairgrounds, do some good and have a blast with a visit to SamJam. The long-running fundraiser (and fun-raiser) is hosted by Pete Oswald through inspiration

from his son Sam Oswald, who has been dealing with neurofibromatosis since he was four years old. Now decades beyond that time, Sam-O continues to deal with the disease while living a good life and loving live music. Musical acts for 2022 include Positively 4th Street, Isaiah Christian and the Rebel Saints, Pete Jive, One Way Traffic and Al Holliday & the East Side Rhythm Band. Check out the event website at [samjam4nf.com](http://samjam4nf.com) for all the other particulars, then go enjoy them.

Now let's jump to Sunday afternoon, where everything is going to the dogs and you can tell someone to go fly a kite in a nice way, when we unleash some fun at the Chatham Paws-a-Palooza & Kite Up the Park held from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Chatham Community Park. The coordinator and behind-the-scenes guy is bass player extraordinaire and hard-working musician Jeff Cunningham, who also happens to be a happy dog owner, meaning he's happy he has a dog and the dog is happy, too. The event is a fundraiser for "the continued construction, landscaping and maintenance of the new Chatham Community Dog Park, which was funded by previous festivals" and features live music from Dave Littrell, Rock & Roll Sisters and Brandy Kristin and the Revival, along with a non-musical, but equally as enthralling performance by the World Champion St. Louis Disc Dogs. More stuff includes food and drink by the Chatham Jaycees, pet-themed vendors, visual artwork and a pet and owner costume contest, plus a professional kite flying company that has "kites to fly and buy," all for a good cause to maintain a nice dog park where the canines can go to bark.

Have a good week, enjoy the downtown car show and be sure to check out all the other live music happening around town. □

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Jameson Freeway Band plays at Long Bridge Golf Course Friday night.

## Thursday Sep 22

**Tom & Owen Irwin**  
Casey's Pub, 5:30-8:30pm

**Springpatch**  
Curve Inn, 6-9pm

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

**Joel Honey Jams**  
Hickory River Smokehouse, 5:30-8pm

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

**Colin Helton**  
Pease's at BUNN Gourmet, 5-7pm

**Timo Arthur**  
Whiskey Jack's Sports Bar, 7-10pm

## Friday Sep 23

**Johnnie Owens**  
The Alibi, Rochester, 8-11pm

**Jay Larson Band**  
The Bird Tavern, 7-10pm

**ReMix**  
The Blue Grouch Pub, 6:30-10pm

**HipPo with Tim Niemeyer**  
Boone's, 5:30-7:30pm

**J.C.B. Entertainment Karaoke**  
Bunkers Bar, Illiopolis, 8pm-1am

**Colin Helton Band**  
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

**Off the Wall**  
Curve Inn, 6:30-9:30pm

**B-Flat Karaoke**  
Dew Chilli Parlor Grill Pub on North Grand, 7-11pm

**The Tangents**  
Golden Fox Brewing, Decatur, 7-10pm

**Carl Bopp**  
Lime Street Cafe, 7-10pm

**Sushi Roll Band**  
Locals Bar, Pawnee, 6-10pm

**Jameson Freeway Band**  
Long Bridge Golf Course, 6:30-10:30pm

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

**The Cocktails**  
Mowie's Cue, 8-11pm

**The Voices of Kathy Kitchen and Rick Meyers**  
Pier 55 Lounge, 8-11pm

**Jeff Young and the Bad Grandpas**  
Weebles Bar & Grill, 6:30-10:30pm

**Hat Trick**  
Whiskey Jack's Sports Bar, 8-11pm

## Saturday Sep 24

**JackAsh**  
The Blue Grouch Pub, 2am-5pm

**Jonnie Concaroo Band**  
Boone's, 11am-2pm

**The Roastineers**  
Broadgauge, Petersburg, 8-11pm

**Square of the Roots**  
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

**RockHouse**  
Conrad's Bar, Riverton, 7-10pm

**Sushi Roll Band**  
Crows Mill Pub, 6:30-10:30pm

**Off The Wall Band at Daugherty's Pub**  
Daugherty's Pub, Chandlerville, 8-11pm

**Carl Bopp**  
Lime Street Cafe, 7-10pm

**Blue Iris Band**  
Main Gate Bar & Grill, 7-10pm

**Vegas McGraw - Tim McGraw Tribute**  
Sherman Village Park Amphitheater, Sherman, 6-10pm

**Positively 4th Street**  
Slaughterhouse Brewing Co., Auburn, 6-9pm

**Joel Gragg**  
Walnut Street Winery, Rochester, 7-10pm

**The 4 County Blues Band**  
Weebles Bar & Grill, 6:30-10:30pm

**Colin Helton Band**  
West of Wise Winery, Petersburg, 2-5pm

## Sunday Sep 25

**Joel Honey Jams**  
Brookhills Golf Club, 3-6pm

**Wolf Crick Boys**  
Buckhart Tavern, Rochester, 4-7pm

**Wolf Crick Boys**  
Buckhart Tavern, Rochester, 4:30pm

**Dave Littrell**  
Chatham Community Park, Chatham, 1-2pm

**Brandy Kristin and the Revival**  
Chatham Community Park, Chatham, 3-4pm

**Rock & Roll Sisters**  
Chatham Community Park, Chatham, 5-6pm

**Wreckless Whiskey Unplugged**  
Hill Prairie Winery, Oakford, 2-5pm

**The Red Ribbon Revival**  
Interurban Merchant, Williamsville, 10am-12:30pm

**Buckhart Road**  
It's All About Wine, 3-6pm

**The Tangents**  
Rock Springs Conservation Area, Decatur, 11:30am-12:30pm

**Open mic**  
Walnut Street Winery, Rochester, 2-5pm

## Monday Sep 26

**Travis Ried**  
The Alamo, 7pm

**The Kitchens**  
The Stadium Bar & Grill, 6-9pm

**Open mic with Joel Honey and Silas Tockey**  
Whiskey Jack's Sports Bar, 8-11pm

## Tuesday Sep 27

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

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

**Roger & Mandy open mic**  
George Rank's, 8pm

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

## Wednesday Sep 28

**Open mic**  
Boone's, 7-10pm

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

**Karaoke**  
Crows Mill Pub, 8pm

**That Girl Band**  
Obed and Isaac's, 6pm

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

**The Kitchens**  
Route 66 Motorheads Bar, Grill & Museum, 6-9pm

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

**Karaoke with DJ Jeff**  
Whiskey Jack's Sports Bar, 7pm

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**it** Whether you are a hot rod enthusiast or a classic car purist, you will want to be among the spectators lining the streets to catch a view of up to 2,000 street machines, muscle cars and roadsters rumbling into downtown Springfield Sept. 23 at 6 p.m. Kicking off the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual International Route 66 Mother Road Festival, the cruise will leave Capital City Shopping Center led by Hail to the Heroes, the 2022 Grand Marshals, who are a group of veterans representing all U.S.-involved conflicts in recent history. The cruise will turn down Stevenson Drive then to Sixth Street, which will take them downtown where a great weekend packed with family entertainment will be waiting. Be sure to stop by the Monet of Cars including Dick Levi's private automobile collection. Tour the enviable restored travel trailers at the Vintage Camper Rally. Check out East Bound and Down, the ultimate *Smokey and the Bandit* tribute and, of course, don't miss the burn-out contest. Live music will be playing all weekend and there will be plenty of food trucks on hand to keep the crowds well fed. Do not miss this chance to once again experience the cars, the music and the nostalgia.

Sangamon Ave., 217-525-6800.

and Fourth and Seventh streets.  
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## ■ Food & Drink

### Free Farmers Market season finale

Sat., Sep. 24, 10-11am. Bring seeds for a seed swap, if you have them. Featuring veggies, native pollinators, and more. Performance by LotusFire dance troupe at 10:30. Free fresh organic produce and prepared sample dishes will be offered. Free. Enos Park Neighborhood Garden, 1022 N. Fifth St., 217-610-0720.

## ■ History

### First anniversary open house

Sun., Sep. 25, 1-4pm. Displays include original artifacts, storytelling exhibits, photos of the old post office building and items from the MacMurray College Foundation and Alumni Association. Brief program at 2pm and refreshments will be served on the outdoor porch. jacksonvilleareamuseum.org. Jacksonville Area Museum, Jacksonville, 301 E. State St.

## ■ Faith & Philosophy

### Blue Mass

Tue., Sep. 27, 9:30am. First responders and their families are invited to attend as well as the lay faithful to show support and pray for those who consistently put their lives on the line to ensure the rule of law and a safe society, and to pray for their safety and continued diligence in their good work. Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 524 E. Lawrence Ave., 217-522-3342.

## ■ Fairs & Festivals

### Apple 'N Pork Festival

Sep. 24-25. Catch a whiff of the food being cooked in the 20 old-fashioned food booths that will be serving apple and pork foods. Visit 19th century crafters and demonstrations. Fine art show, flea market, live music, tours, tractor show and history presentation and kids' activities. Free admission. DeWitt County Museum, Clinton, 219 E. Woodlawn St., 935-6066.

### **it** International Route 66 Mother Road Festival

Sep. 23-25. This festival brings street machines, muscle cars and hot rod enthusiasts to historic downtown Springfield for a great weekend of family entertainment. route66fest.com. Downtown Springfield, between Washington and Capitol streets

## Mum Fest

Sat., Sep. 24, 9am-4pm. Petting zoo, bounce house and loads of fun for the whole family. Free entry. Designer Landscapes, Farmersville, 4110 Morrisonville Ave., 217-227-3256.

## Steam Show and Fall Festival

Sep. 23-25. Horse-powered equipment, antique tractors, gas and steam engines, bailing demonstrations, blacksmithing and more. Prairie Land Heritage Museum, Jacksonville, 1005 W. Michigan Ave., 217-243-7262.

## ■ Fundraisers and Galas

### Backyard Bash

Sat., Sep. 24, 6-10pm. Live music by the Brat Pack, food trucks, mechanical bull rides and liquor tastings. Must be 21 years old to attend. Benefits Ball-Chatham students and teachers for special classroom projects, educational field trips and innovative technology. Chatham Community Park, Chatham, 731 S. Main St.

### Chatham Paws-a-Palooza & Kite up the Park

Sun., Sep. 25, 1-6:30pm. Leashed-animal friendly and family friendly. Live music, food, pet-themed vendors, a pet costume contest. Stunt kite demos, professional large show kites, community kite flying. Chatham Community Park, Chatham, 731 S. Main St.

### Forever Home Feline Ranch trivia night

Fri., Sep. 23, 7pm. Cash prizes, silent auction, mulligans and much more. Bring in a donation of Purina Cat or Kitten Chow or Tidy Cat Litter and receive raffle tickets. Bring snacks or food is available for purchase. No outside drinks. Call or send an email for reservations. \$10.00 per person, \$100.00 for table of 10 and maximum of 10 per table. Columbian Grand Hall Knights of Columbus 364, 2200 S. Meadowbrook Rd., 217-503-9898.

### A New Journey

Through Oct. 3, 8am-8:30pm. Professional clothing drive. Accepting blouses, blazers, slacks, suits, dress shirts, etc. Drop off clothing through Oct. 3. Clothing giveaway is Oct 12. All In One Laundry, 801 South Grand Ave. East, 217-415-3751.

### Style of Hope

Thu., Sep. 22, 6pm. A fashion

## ■ Books & Authors

### **it** Banned Books Cafe

Sat., Sep. 24, 2-4pm. Celebrate the freedom to read books that are sometimes considered too dangerous to read. Library staff will read passages from their favorite banned or challenged books. Enjoy light refreshments while you take in the meaningful words from the books. Free. Lincoln Library, 326 S. Seventh St., 217-753-4900.

### Book sale

Sat., Sep. 24, 8:30am-1pm and

Sun., Sep. 25, 8:30am-12pm. Books, books, books and more books. A great selection from which to choose. All proceeds benefit the Laurel Scholarship Fund. Located in the Fellowship Hall. Laurel United Methodist Church, 631 S. Grand Ave. W., 217-525-1866.

### Book sale

Sep. 24-25. Saturday 10am-3pm and Sunday 12-3pm. Hosted by the Friends of Rochester Public Library. Fill a bag for \$5 on Sunday. Rochester Public Library, Rochester, 1 Community Dr., 217-

498-8454.

## ■ Art & Architecture

### "Gang of Artists" group show

Fri., Sep. 23, 5:30-8:30pm. A one-night art gathering. Surprise guest artists. Surprise entertainment. 2D and 3D art. Bring your own treats and drinks. DIM Art House, 319 Chatham Rd.

### "Poly-wave: Seeds of Color and Shape"

Sep. 22-Oct. 20, 5:30-8pm. A solo exhibition by Chicago-based artist and UIS alum Mauricio Ramirez,

who has developed a career as an accomplished muralist since graduating from UIS in 2012. UIS Visual Arts Gallery, HSB 201, One University Plaza, 217-206-6506.

### Pop-Up Art Studio

Thursdays, 3:30-7pm. Create some unique art pieces during the Illinois Products Farmers Market. Participants can take their art home or donate it to the Mini O'Beirne Crisis Nursery to be showcased at the Children's Art Auction and raise funds to support the nursery's mission. Free. Illinois State Fairgrounds, The Shed, 801

event featuring runway entertainment from community dancers and models, apparel from local boutiques, a special segment featuring Hope's youth, gourmet hors d'oeuvres and silent auction. See the Facebook event page or call for ticket info. \$45. BOS Center, 1 Convention Center Plaza, 217-525-9536.

### ■ Children's Corner

#### Enos Park Movie Night

Sat., Sep. 24. Food, fun and games. Free hot dogs, snacks and drinks. Kids' games begin at 6pm. Visit with Springfield police and watch a fire department truck demo. *Raya and the Last Dragon* begins at about 7:30pm. Free parking in the YMCA parking lot. Springfield Art Association, 700 N. Fourth St., 217-523-2631.

#### Preschool Storytime

Thursdays, 10:30-11am. Read, write, talk, sing, and play with your children ages 3-5. Explore stories and activities to encourage children to develop a lifelong love of reading and learning with programs designed to promote language and listening skills. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Free. Lincoln Library,

326 S. Seventh St., 217 753 4900.

### ■ Nature, Science & Environment

#### No Climate, No Equity, No Deal film screening

Thu., Sep. 29, 5:30pm. A new short film that documents the work that went into passing the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act (CEJA). Hosted by the Faith Coalition for the Common Good. Visit their Facebook page for the link to register or call for more information. Free. Illinois State Museum, 502 S. Spring St., 217-544-2297.

#### Leaf identification hikes

Sat., Sep. 24, 10am-12pm. Does your child have a leaf-collection project for school this year? Get it put together in a fun, educational way with this hike. Over 50 leaves will be collected. Bring a spiral notebook and pencil, and dress for the outdoors. Pre-registration and adult companion required. \$7-\$10. Washington Park Botanical Garden, 1740 W. Fayette Ave., 217-546-4116.

#### Things that Go Bump in the Night

Sat., Sep. 24, 11am-3pm. From nocturnal animals to the amazing night sky, the world comes alive after dark. Visit with nocturnal animals, dive into the world of bats with echolocation and use a star chart to explore the night sky. Listen to stories by storyteller Dan Keding at 11:30am and 1:30pm. Free. Illinois State Museum, 502 S. Spring St., 217-782-6044.

### ■ Lectures & Meetings

#### AI Anon - Happiness Is

Wednesdays, 12pm. Meeting in person and via Zoom. Visit the website or call for more information. 217-899-6041.

#### AI-Anon

Tuesdays, 5:15pm. Meets on the second floor. Visit the website or call for more information. Discovery Club, 313 W. Cook St., upstairs, 217-679-8418.

#### AI-Anon District 19 of Greater Springfield

Mondays-Saturdays. Ten meetings are held in the local area each week. Five are in-person and five are a combination of in-person and via Zoom. Call 217-891-2981 or visit

spi-alanon.weebly.com for more information. Various locations, Springfield, 217-891-2981.

### Refiner's Recovery

Thursdays, 6:30-8pm. A safe place to heal from addictions and life-controlling issues with a journey through nine biblically based pillars to healing, freedom and growth. Free. Destiny Church, 1425 N. Fifth St., 217-685-4124.

### ■ Health & Fitness

#### Alan G. Birtch, M.D. 5K Run/Walk

Sat., Sep. 24, 9-11am. Celebrate the gift of life given to transplant patients from generous donors. Proceeds benefit financial assistance for transplant patients and educational opportunities for Memorial Health Transplant Care colleagues. Hosted by the Alan G. Birtch, MD Center for Transplant Services. \$25 for adults, \$15 for kids. Southwind Park, 4965 S. Second St., 217-588-2417.

#### Fasters meeting

Fourth Tuesday of every month, 6-7pm. A group discussion and support for a healthy lifestyle through intermittent fasting and eating real food. CrossFit Instinct,

301 South Grand Ave., 217-725-6715.

### Forest Therapy

Sat., Sep. 24, 9:30am-11pm. Join a walk led by a certified guide who helps participants develop sensory and embodied relationships with the surrounding nature and forest, a practice which has been shown to lower blood pressure and reduce anxiety and depression. \$30. Lincoln Memorial Garden, 2301 E. Lake Shore Dr., 217-529-1111.

### Glucose and blood pressure screens

Fourth Wednesday of every month, 9:30-11:30am. Provided by SIU School of Medicine. Senior Services of Central Illinois, 701 W. Mason St., 217-528-4035.

### ■ Sports

#### Annie Oakley Shoot

Sat., Sep. 24, 12-4pm. Bring your own shells. Clays are provided. 7 1/2 shot is the only loads allowed. Visit the club's Facebook page for more information. \$50-\$55. Divernon Sportsmans Club, Divernon, Sportsmans Club Lane, 652-8538.

### Bares, Broncs & Bull Riding

Sun., Sep. 25, 4pm. Wild enough for both the traditional rodeo fans and the new breed of rodeo fanatics. \$15. Illinois State Fairgrounds, 801 Sangamon Ave., 217-782-6661.

### Cardinals Night with Ben Hochman

Fri., Sep. 23, 6-6:30pm. A fun evening with Benjamin Hochman of the Post-Dispatch who will answer questions and share inside stories of the Cardinal's 11th World Series championship in 2011 as published in his book "11 in '11." Two lucky guests will win a copy of his autographed book. Reservations required. Free and open to the public. Sangamo Club, 227 E. Adams St., 217-544-1793.

### Route 66 5K Foot Race

Sun., Sep. 25, 7:30am. Get revved up to race during the Route 66 Mother Road Festival. Get cool swag and have an iconic experience running on the streets with the classic cars in the show. See the Facebook page for sign-up information. Old State Capitol Plaza, Washington Street between Fifth and Sixth streets, 217-553-7695.



## Lincoln Land Community College

Lincoln Land Community College is searching for our first Director, for our new PATH Program. The PATH grant is designed to increase the number of students completing high-need health care certificates and degrees to add more qualified professionals to our state's healthcare system. The Director will be responsible for the management, implementation and evaluation of the PATH grant. The LLCC program will provide academic support, career coaching, and other high impact retention/success practices to program participants. As a staff member at LLCC, you can look forward to 22 paid holidays a year, including 2 weeks at the end of the calendar year and one week in March for mid-semester break; 12 Fridays off in the summer; and 2 personal days, 15 sick days, and 20 vacation days per year. LLCC staff, their spouse and qualified dependent children are eligible to use the tuition waiver on credited courses. LLCC is a positive, team-oriented environment supportive of staff development.

This is a grant-funded position. Funding for this position has been secured through 6/30/2023. Salary will be commensurate with education and experience but will be no less than \$63,305 per year with an excellent benefits package. View all the benefits our employees have on our website. Submit your application by 9/25/22 at [www.llcc.edu](http://www.llcc.edu). Come join our team and experience success at LLCC!

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
PROBATE DIVISION  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BRUCE  
A. BERNARDI, Deceased  
No. 2022-PR-309

Notice is given of the death of the above.  
Decedent departed this life on July 16,  
2022

Date letters were issued August 29, 2022  
Independent Personal Representative:

Joseph A. Bernardi  
Attorney for the Estate:

Thomas H. Wilson, #6202141  
Katelyn Hall, #62328737

HeplerBroom, LLC  
4340 Acer Grove Drive

Springfield, IL 62711

T: (217) 528-3674  
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keh@heplerbroom.com

Claims against the Estate may be filed in  
the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court,  
Probate Division, Sangamon County Court-

house, 200 S. 9th Street, Springfield, IL  
62701, or with the Personal Representa-

tive or both, on or before March 22, 2023  
and any claim not filed within that period

is barred. Copies of the claim filed with  
the Circuit Court Clerk must be mailed or

delivered to the Representative and to the  
Attorney of Record, if any, within 10 days

after it has been filed and the claimant  
shall file with the Court proof of any

required mailing.  
Joseph A. Bernardi,  
Independent Personal Representative

of the Estate of Bruce A. Bernardi,  
Deceased

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

In the Matter of the Estate of:  
Viola M. Merrick,  
Deceased.

No. 2022-PR-353  
NOTICE TO HEIRS AND  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given of the death of Viola M.  
Merrick of Springfield, Illinois. Letters  
Testamentary were issued on September

13, 2022, to Deborah Merrick, 406  
Brian Lane, Dawson, Illinois 62520, as  
Independent Executor, whose attorney

of record is DELANO LAW OFFICES, LLC,  
One Southeast Old State Capitol Plaza,  
Springfield, Illinois, 62701.

Notice is given to all known and unknown  
heirs of Viola M. Merrick of the entry of the  
Order as set forth above and of the entry

of an Order declaring Sylvia Rouse and  
Anthony Merrick, III as the only heirs of  
Viola M. Merrick.

The estate will be administered without  
court supervision, unless under 28-4 of  
the Probate Act, 755 ILCS 5/28-4, any

interested person terminates independent  
administration at any time by mailing or  
delivering a petition to terminate to the  
Clerk.

Claims against the estate may be filed in  
the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court,  
Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. 9th  
Street, Springfield, Illinois, or with the  
representative, or both, within 6 months of  
the first day that this Notice is published,  
and any claim not so filed within that  
period is barred. Copies of a claim filed  
with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered  
to the representative and to the attorney  
within 10 days after it has been filed.

Alan J. Jedlicka - 6291659  
DELANO LAW OFFICES, LLC  
Attorneys for Executor  
One Southeast Old State Capitol Plaza  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
Telephone: 217-544-2703  
Fax: 217-544-4664  
ajedlicka@delanolaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL  
CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ESTATE OF  
PHILIP H. LEWIS, III, DECEASED  
No. 2022 PR 351

CLAIMS NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of Philip H.  
Lewis, III. Notice is given to all creditors  
that Letters Testamentary were issued on  
September 15, 2022, to Kevin N. McDermott,  
109 South 7th Street, Springfield,  
Illinois 62701 as Executor of the Estate.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in  
the Office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate  
Division, Sangamon County Complex,  
200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois  
62704, or with the Executor, or both,  
within 6 months from the date of the first  
publication of this notice, and any claim  
not filed within that period is barred.

Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must  
be mailed or delivered to the Executor and  
to the attorney within 10 days after it has  
been filed.

Dated this 15th day of September, 2022.  
Kevin N. McDermott  
Attorney for the Estate of Philip H. Lewis,  
III

109 South Seventh Street  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 753-4070  
Ill. Reg. No. 6196497  
Kevin@KevinMcDermott.com

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

In Re the Estate of:  
LAWRENCE EDWARD LOMELINO, JR.,  
Deceased.

Case No.: 2022-PR-000335  
CLAIM NOTICE  
NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of Lawrence  
Edward Lomelino, of Springfield, San-

gamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office  
were issued on August 29, 2022, to Bruce  
Lomelino, as Independent Executor, whose  
address is c/o his attorney of record, Barry  
O. Hines, 1224 Centre West Drive, Suite  
200A, Springfield, Illinois 62704.

The Estate will be administered without  
Court supervision, unless under Sec-  
tion 28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS  
5/28-4) any interested person terminates  
independent administration, at any time,  
by mailing or delivering a petition to termi-  
nate to the Clerk.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in  
the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court,  
Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South  
9th Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62701, or  
with the representative, or both, on or  
before March 22, 2023, and any claim  
not filed on or before that date is barred.

Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must  
be mailed or delivered to the representa-  
tive and to the attorney within ten (10)  
days after it has been filed.

Dated this 29th day of August, 2022.  
Bruce Lomelino  
Independent Executor  
Barry O. Hines - 01220918  
Attorney at Law  
1224 Centre West Drive, Suite 200A  
Springfield, IL 62704  
Telephone: (217) 698-8444  
Email: Barry@HinesLaw.net

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

IN RE THE ESTATE OF:  
PEGGY J. TAYLOR,  
Deceased.

Case No.: 2022-PR-336  
CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of Peggy J.  
Taylor. Letters Testamentary were issued on  
August

29, 2022 to Richard Austin of 3 Winthrop  
New Rd., Sugar Grove, IL 60554, as  
Independent Executor, whose attorney is  
Dan E. Way, WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC, 1100  
S. Fifth St., Springfield, IL 62703.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in  
the office of the Clerk of Court, Sangamon  
County  
Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, Spring-

field, Illinois 62701, or with the represen-  
tative, or both, on or before March 15,  
2023, which is not less than six months  
from the date of the first publication of  
this notice, or three months from the date  
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Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any  
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Dated this 1st day of September 2022  
Dan E. Way, #6204735  
WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC  
1100 S. Fifth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
(217) 525-7003

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
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Dated this 1st day of September 2022  
Dan E. Way, #6204735  
WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC  
1100 S. Fifth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
(217) 525-7003

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

IN RE THE ESTATE OF:  
PEGGY J. TAYLOR,  
Deceased.

Case No.: 2022-PR-336  
CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of Peggy J.  
Taylor. Letters Testamentary were issued on  
August

29, 2022 to Richard Austin of 3 Winthrop  
New Rd., Sugar Grove, IL 60554, as  
Independent Executor, whose attorney is  
Dan E. Way, WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC, 1100  
S. Fifth St., Springfield, IL 62703.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in  
the office of the Clerk of Court, Sangamon  
County  
Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, Spring-

field, Illinois 62701, or with the represen-  
tative, or both, on or before March 15,  
2023, which is not less than six months  
from the date of the first publication of  
this notice, or three months from the date  
the representative mailed or delivered a  
Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any  
claim not filed within that period is barred.  
Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must  
be mailed or delivered to the representa-  
tive and to the attorney within 10 days  
after it has been filed.

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## Real Estate Foreclosure

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

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee  
for Residential Asset Mortgage Products,  
Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-  
Through Certificates, Series 2005-EFC6  
PLAINTIFF

Vs.  
Karissa Trevino; et. al.  
DEFENDANTS

No. 2022FC000035  
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  
08/17/2022, the Sheriff of Sangamon  
County, Illinois will on October 25, 2022  
at the hour of 9:00 AM at in the Second  
Floor Boardroom of the Sangamon County  
Courthouse 200 South 9th Street Spring-

field, IL 62701, or in a place otherwise  
designated at the time of sale, County  
of Sangamon and State of Illinois, sell at  
public auction to the highest bidder for  
cash, as set forth below, the following  
described real estate:

PIN 34-10-0-176-009  
Improved with Residential  
COMMONLY KNOWN AS:

1020 West Madison Street  
Auburn, IL 62615

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

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.

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

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

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

Upon payment in full of the amount bid,  
the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of  
Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a  
Deed to the real estate after Confirmation  
of the sale. The successful purchaser has  
the sole responsibility/expense of evicting  
any tenants or other individuals presently  
in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspec-  
tion and Plaintiff makes no representation  
as to the condition of the property. Pros-  
pective bidders are admonished to check  
the Court file to verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-  
OWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN  
IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER  
ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C)  
OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLO-  
SURE LAW.

For information: Examine the court file or  
contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Asso-  
ciates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road,  
Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630)  
794-9876. Please refer to file number  
14-22-01502.  
I3202373



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7:15 – 8:15 pm

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8:30 – 9:30 pm

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In re the Estate of FRANCES M. SMILEY, Deceased. Case No. 2022-PR-239 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of Frances M. Smiley. Letters of office have been issued to Evie Smiley, 324 Cartwright Dr., Springfield, IL 62704, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is R. Phillip Reed, Attorney at Law, 1129 S. Seventh St., Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk, Room 405, 200 S. Ninth St., Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Administrator, or both, on or before March 15, 2023, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Administrator and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY JOHANNA MARTIN, Deceased NO. 2022-PR-345 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Mary Johanna Martin, Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on September 7, 2022, to Melissa J. Cooper, 2068

Skipton Road, Springfield, IL 62702, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Gregory P. Sgro, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Representative, or both, on or before the 17th day of March, 2023, or three months from the date the Representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated this 7th day of September, 2022. Gregory P. Sgro Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP 1119 S. Sixth Street Springfield, IL 62703 (217) 789-1200

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of EDWARD R. CURRY, Deceased. IN PROBATE NO. 2022PR000337 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of EDWARD R. CURRY, deceased. Letters of Office were issued on August 29, 2022, to ANGELA DAVIS, Executor, 1252 North 3rd St., PO Box 982, Riverton, IL 62561, whose attorney is Robert A. Stuart, Jr., Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 S. 5th Street, Suite 1000, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before December 9, 2022 or three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that

period is barred. Dated this 8th day of September, 2022. Robert A. Stuart, Jr., Registration No. 2761122 BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP 205 S. 5th Street, Suite 1000 Springfield, IL 62701 (217) 544-8491 rstuart@bhsllaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of DOROTHY O. BECK, Deceased. IN PROBATE NO. 2022-PR-359 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Dorothy O. Beck, deceased. Letters of Office were issued on September 15, 2022, to Carole A. Fisher, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Hugh F. Drake, Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000, Springfield, IL 62701. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 24th day of March, 2023, or three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated this 15th day of September, 2022. BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Hugh F. Drake (Registration No. 6269666) 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000 P.O. Box 2459 Springfield, IL 62705-2459 (217) 544-8491 hdrake@bhsllaw.com

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY In the Matter of the Estate of Vicki Ginoli, Deceased Case No. 22-PR-275 Claim Notice Notice is given of the death of Vicki Ginoli, of 727 Bryn Mawr Blvd., Springfield Illinois. Letters of Administration were issued on August 11, 2022, to Bonita Brewer of 3209 Wisteria Lane, Bloomington Illinois 61701 and, as Independent Administrators, whose attorney is Joshua P. Rinker, of Finegan Rinker & Christ. This estate will be administered without court supervision unless under Section 28-4 of the Illinois Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk. Claims may be filed within 6 months from the date of first publication of this Notice. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Claims may be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. 9th St. #405, Springfield IL 62701, or claims may be filed with the Personal Representative, or both. If filed with the Clerk, the claimant must within 10 days mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the Personal Representatives and to his attorney and file with the Clerk proof of such mailing or delivery. Dated: September 8, 2022 2022 Bonita Brewer Independent Administrator /s/ Joshua Rinker

Joshua P. Rinker

ADOPTION NOTICE – STATE OF ILLINOIS, County of Sangamon, SS. In the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit, Sangamon County, Illinois. In the matter of the Petition for the Adoption of BABY GIRL LINDSEY n/k/a ANNELISE LYNEE SCHEUERMANN. Adoption No. 22-AD-000059 TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: TAKE NOTICE that a Petition was filed in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois for the adoption of, BABY GIRL LINDSEY n/k/a ANNELISE LYNEE SCHEUERMANN. Now, therefore, unless you, All Whom It May Concern, file your answer to the Petition in said suit or otherwise file your appearance therein in the said Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Springfield, Illinois, on or before the 7th day of November, 2022, a default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Petition. DATED: September 15, 2022, at Springfield, Illinois /s/ Paul Palazzolo CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SANGAMON COUNTY Thomas H. Wilson, ARDC #6202141 HeplerBroom, LLC 4340 Acer Grove Drive Springfield, IL 62711 T: (217) 528-3674 F: (217) 528-3964 thw@heplerbroom.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of A'laila J. Henderson For change of name to A'laila J. Bell And Y'uriah A. Mackins For change of name to Y'uriah A. Bell Case No.: 2022-MR-224 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on October 25, 2022 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from A'laila J. Henderson to A'laila J. Bell and from Y'uriah A. Mackins to Y'uriah A. Bell, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Sep. 8, 2022

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Tammy Rose Lindgren For change of name to Tammy Rose Kline Case No.: 2022-MR-348 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on October 25, 2022 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Tammy Rose Lindgren to Tammy Rose Kline, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Sep. 8, 2022

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Brooke Elizabeth Meyer For change of name to Beckett Alan Meyer

Case No.: 2022-MR-252 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on October 25, 2022 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Brooke Elizabeth Meyer to Beckett Alan Meyer, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Sep. 15, 2022

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Anne Rebecca Weller For change of name to Anne Rebecca Finley Case No.: 2022-MR-228 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on November 22, 2022 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Anne Rebecca Weller to Anne Rebecca Finley, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Sep. 15, 2022

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Lindsey Rene Gragg For change of name to Avery John Gragg Case No.: 2022-MR-230 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on November 22, 2022 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Lindsey Rene Gragg to Avery John Gragg, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Sep. 15, 2022

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Eva Lea Morgan For change of name to Ginger Spice Morgan Case No.: 2022-MR-375 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on November 22, 2022 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Eva Lea Morgan to Ginger Spice Morgan, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Sep. 22, 2022

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Zayden Austin Marshall For change of name to Zayden Austin Lofton Case No.: 2022-MR-380 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on November 22, 2022 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Zayden Austin Marshall to Zayden Austin Lofton, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Sep. 22, 2022

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Shannon Ryan Barron For change of name to Siannon Barron Ryaddigan Case No.: 2022-MR-386 PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on November 22, 2022 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Shannon Ryan Barron to Siannon Barron Ryaddigan, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Sep. 22, 2022

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Residential Asset Mortgage Products, Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-EFC6 PLAINTIFF Vs. Karissa Trevino; et. al. DEFENDANTS No. 2022FC000035 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 08/17/2022, the Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois will on October 25, 2022 at the hour of 9:00 AM at in the Second Floor Boardroom of the Sangamon County Courthouse 200 South 9th Street Springfield, IL 62701, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Sangamon and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate: LOT SIX (6) IN BLOCK ONE (1) OF M S WHEELER ESTATE'S THIRD ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE, NOW CITY OF AUBURN. EXCEPT ALL COAL AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING SAID LANDS, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT TO MINE AND REMOVE SAME. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PIN 34-10-0-176-009 Improved with Residential COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1020 West Madison Street Auburn, IL 62615 Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of

Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-22-01502. I3202373

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

INB, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association, f/k/a Illinois National Bank, Plaintiff,

v.

MICHAEL WELLER, ALEXANDER SCOTT WELLER, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No.: 2022FC000147

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Notice is given to defendants, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, of the following described real estate, that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action is now pending, and the day on or after which a default may be entered against said defendants is OCTOBER 17, 2022.

The Plaintiff has certified that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action was filed on July 28, 2022, and is now pending.

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

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

(iii) The name of the title holder of record is: Michael Weller and Alexander Scott Weller.

(iv) A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: Lot 5 and the North Half of Lot 6 in Bengal's Subdivision of part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 23, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax ID Number: 14-23-383-024

(v) A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 1236 Bengal Street, Springfield, Illinois 62702

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

(A) Nature of instrument: Mortgage.

(B) Date of mortgage: February 24, 2017.

(C) Name of mortgagor: Michael Weller and Alexander Scott Weller.

(D) Name of mortgagee: INB, National Association, f/k/a Illinois National Bank.

(E) Date and place of recording: February 27, 2017 in the Recorder's Office of Sangamon County, Sangamon County, Illinois.

(F) Identification of recording: Document No. 2017R04729.

INB, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association, f/k/a Illinois National

Bank, Plaintiff  
 Timothy J. Rigby (ARDC #6225930)  
 Alexander S. Prillaman (ARDC #6339535)  
 Hart, Southworth & Witsman  
 Suite 501, One North Old State Capitol Plaza  
 Springfield, Illinois 62701  
 Telephone: (217) 753-0055  
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 8051-926882

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 One East Wacker – Suite 1250  
 Chicago, IL 60601

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, v. MARVIN E. JOHNSON, AKA MARVIN JOHNSON, AKA MARVIN EARL JOHNSON; SABRINA JOHNSON, AKA SABRINA DIANE JOHNSON, AKA SABRINA DIANE CHAUDOIN; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, Case No. 2022FC000162

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Marvin E. Johnson, AKA Marvin Johnson, AKA Marvin Earl Johnson, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit, Sangamon County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit:

The East 40 feet of the North 140 feet of Lot 6 in Block 1 in Ledlie's Addition to the City of Springfield.

Except any interest in the coal, oil, gas and other minerals underlying the land which have been heretofore conveyed or reserved in prior conveyances, and all rights and easements in favor of the estate of said coal, oil, gas and other minerals, if any.

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. 932 West Edwards Street, Springfield, IL 62704

14-33-0-179-004

Now, therefore, unless you, Marvin E. Johnson, AKA Marvin Johnson, AKA Marvin Earl Johnson, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Seventh Judicial Circuit, Sangamon County, Illinois, on or before November 8, 2022, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or contact the Clerk of this Court. Zachariah L. Manchester (6303885)

MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC  
 Attorneys for Plaintiff  
 One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601  
 Phone: 312-651-6700; Fax: 614-220-5613  
 Email: sef-zlmanchester@manleydeas.com  
 FILE NUMBER 22-026506  
 One of Plaintiff's Attorneys  
 8051-927022

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

IN THE MATTER OF Elijah Baughn  
 No. 2022-GR-169

To: Jessyca Cale at address unknown:  
 Please be notified that Jame & John Rinehart have filed a Petition for Guardianship of the Estate and Person of Elijah Baughn, minor child. You are required to answer said Petition By October 24, 2022 or be defaulted by the Court thereafter.

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

IN THE MATTER OF  
 Aubrey A. Baughman, Minor Child  
 No. 20022-GR-154

To: All Persons Having A Right To Notice:  
 Please be notified that Kimberly M. Buscher has filed a Petition for the Guardianship of the Estate and Person of Jocelyn Konkrite, a minor child. You are required to answer said Petition before October 17, 2022 or be defaulted by the Court thereafter.  
 Dated: Sept. 8, 2022

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

UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

NELIDA A. RAMIREZ a/k/a NELIDA A. PATTON, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

Case No. 2022-FC-178

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 24, 2022.

Plaintiff has certified the following regarding said foreclosure action filed on September 8, 2022.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case Number are as follows: United Community Bank, an Illinois banking corporation; 2022-FC-178.

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: Nelida A. Ramirez a/k/a Nelida A. Patton.

4. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:  
 THE SOUTH 40 FEET OF THE NORTH 240 FEET OF LOT G OF PAYNES SOUTHSIDE ADDITION, THIRD PLAT, 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.

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 2321 S. 4th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701

6. The Tax Identification Number(s) for the real estate is/are as follows: 22-04-480-007

7. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:  
 Name of Mortgagor: Nelida A. Patton, an unmarried person  
 Name of Mortgagee: United Community

PLEASANT PLAINS RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
 A FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT IN  
 SANGAMON AND MENARD COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
 STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2021 THROUGH MAY 31, 2022

<b>Monies on Hand and Receipts</b>			
Cash Balance June 1, 2021	\$	138,443.36	
Cash Receipts			
Property Taxes	\$	153,791.48	
Personal Property Replacement Tax	\$	1,623.60	
Interest Income	\$	249.24	
Grant Income	\$	3,830.00	
Memorials & Donations	\$	3,680.00	
Other Income	\$	1,116.66	
Refund of Prior Year's Expenses	\$	1,035.70	
Total Cash on Hand and Receipts	\$	303,769.44	
<b>Disbursements - Cash Disbursements by Category of Expenditure</b>			
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE FUND</b>			
Insurance	\$	8,875.00	
Membership Dues	\$	704.00	
Misc.	\$	1,959.86	
Printing, Postage, Office Supplies, Misc.	\$	807.91	
Publication of Notices	\$	1,753.47	
Software	\$	1,573.25	
Telephone	\$	649.24	
Tuition and Training	\$	993.36	
Utilities - Farmingdale Substation FH	\$	3,638.88	
Utilities - Pleasant Plains FH	\$	5,335.87	
Workman's Comp	\$	2,257.00	
Total ADMINISTRATIVE FUND	\$	28,547.84	
<b>FIRE EQUIPMENT &amp; SUPPLIES FUND</b>			
Fire Fighting Equipment	\$	609.96	
Fire Fighting Supplies	\$	5,101.21	
Repairs, Equipment & Maintenance	\$	9,743.84	
Gasoline & Oil	\$	1,696.36	
Fire Truck Loan	\$	32,440.68	
Fire Hydrant Rental	\$	100.00	
Total FIRE EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES FUND	\$	49,692.05	
<b>BUILDING FUND</b>			
Firehouse - Grounds & Improvements	\$	2,356.51	
Cleaning Firehouses	\$	750.00	
Building Repairs & Maintenance	\$	5,993.54	
Total BUILDING FUND	\$	9,100.05	
<b>SALARY FUND</b>			
Compensation - Fire Chief	\$	1,000.00	
Compensation - Assistant Fire Chief	\$	750.00	
Compensation - Deputy Chief	\$	750.00	
Compensation - Medical Assistant	\$	150.00	
Compensation - Training Officer	\$	150.00	
Compensation - Community	\$	150.00	
Compensation - Firemen	\$	19,536.06	
Compensation - Trustees	\$	1,800.00	
Compensation - Attorney Fees	\$	1,380.12	
Compensation - Accounting	\$	850.00	
Unemployment Tax - State & Federal	\$	286.11	
FICA/Medicare	\$	1,805.61	
Total SALARY FUND	\$	28,607.90	
Total Disbursements	\$	115,947.84	
Cash Balance on May 31, 2022	\$	187,821.60	
<b>Disbursements in Excess of \$2500 per Payee</b>			
AEC Fire Safety Security	\$	2,973.94	
Ameren	\$	6,404.72	
Continental Western Group	\$	9,800.00	
Custom Structures	\$	3,035.67	
Ferrelgas	\$	2,647.67	
Illinois National Bank	\$	32,490.68	
Internal Revenue Service	\$	5,707.13	
Sunrise Ag Service Co	\$	3,985.84	
Technology Insurance Company	\$	2,864.00	
<b>Disbursements for Compensation</b>			
A) Under \$25,000	Alexander, Justin	Kane, Larry	
	Burt, Carl	Metzroth, Michael	
	Cowan, Brad	Miles, Nancy	
	Darnell, David	Milliman, Keith	
	Darnell, Jenny	Mozley, Steven	
	Davin, Kirsten	Nelson, Rick	
	Greene, Michael	Niemeier, Lori	
	Harms, Tom	Ostermeier, Lance	
	Heideman, Kevin	Sicilia, Susan	
	Heideman, Wayne	Skelton, Chris	
	Held, Craig		
B) \$25,000 - \$49,999.99	NONE		
C) \$50,000 - \$74,999.99	NONE		
D) \$75,000 - \$99,999.99	NONE		
E) \$100,000 - \$124,999.99	NONE		
F) \$125,000 and over	NONE		
<b>STATE OF ILLINOIS</b>			
<b>COUNTY OF SANGAMON</b>			
The undersigned, being first duly sworn, deposes and states that she is the Treasurer of the Pleasant Plains Rural Fire Protection District, Sangamon and Menard Counties, Illinois; that she held the office of Treasurer for the Fiscal Year of said District commencing June 1, 2021 and ending May 31, 2022; and that the above and foregoing Annual Financial Statement is a true and correct statement of monies received and disbursed by her as Treasurer for the said fiscal year.			
/s/ Nancy Miles			
Treasurer, Pleasant Plains Rural Fire Protection District			
Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 24th day of August, 2022.			
/s/ Elizabeth Norvell			
Notary Public			

Bank  
Date of Mortgage: August 26, 2011  
Date of recording: August 30, 2011  
County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois  
Recording document identification: Document No. 2011R27070  
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  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
UNITED COMMUNITY BANK,  
an Illinois banking corporation,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
MARCUS E. WATERMAN, DAWN M. WATERMAN, STATE OF ILLINOIS, and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,  
Defendants.

Case No. 2022-FC-179  
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 24, 2022. Plaintiff has certified the following regarding said foreclosure action filed on September 8, 2022.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case Number are as follows: United Community Bank, and Illinois banking corporation; 2022-FC-179.

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 records are: Marcus E. Waterman and Dawn M. Waterman  
4. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:

LOT 84 IN CHATHAM KNOLLS SUBDIVISION, THIRD PLAT, CHATHAM, ILLINOIS, A PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 14 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 33 Glenwood Lane, Chatham, Illinois 62629

6. The Tax Identification Number(s) for the real estate is/are as follows: 28-12-202-002

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

Names of Mortgagees: Marcus E. Waterman and Dawn M. Waterman  
Name of Mortgagee: United Community Bank

Date of Mortgage: June 15, 2006  
Date of recording: July 18, 2006  
County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2006R26804  
/s/CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
Josiah King Sr., Petitioner  
and  
Tammy M. McCoy, Respondent  
Case No. 2022-FA-240  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Notice is given you Tammy A. McCoy, Respondent herein, that this cause has been commenced and you are summoned to a child custody case and for other relief. Unless you file your response or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, 200 South Ninth Street, Room 405, Springfield, Illinois on or before the 30th day of September, 2022, a judgment or decree by default may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.  
Paul Palazzolo  
Circuit Clerk

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition. A petition to vary Sections: 155.056, Minimum Required Lot Area Per Dwelling Unit; 155.480 (G,H,I), Landscape Screening and Lighting Regulations; 155.114(A,B), Regulations for the Location of Off-Street Parking Facilities; 155.111, Access to Off-Street Parking Facilities; 155.062 (C) (1), Permitted Obstructions in a Front Yard, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. The petitioner desires to add one residential dwelling, creating five residential dwelling units in the structure. Petitioner, to be in compliance with the zoning ordinance, respectfully petitions for a variance of sections: 155.056 to allow the structure to accommodate one additional residential dwelling for a total of five dwelling units on a lot containing 6,320 square feet instead of the 12,500 square feet required; 155.480 (G, H, I) landscape screening and lighting, as follows: to vary the requirements of (G and H) landscaping provisions regarding installation of any additional landscaping as the building is already a multi family residence, and (I) to vary for the elimination of the application of the provisions related to any transitional buffer yard on the North, South, and East property lines from 10 feet to 0 feet as the parking area has been used as a parking area historically; 155.114(a) Accessory off-street parking spaces shall be located on the same zoning lot as the use served, varying to providing three additional parking spaces on the adjacent parking lot to the north (commonly known as 918 S 2nd, parcel number 14-34.0-309-010); 155.114(b), no parking space shall be located in a required front yard, varying to allowing residents to park in the existing front paved driveway parking space and to exit onto second street; 155.062 (C) (1) Driveways leading to garages or accessory off-street parking spaces located beyond the required front yard, varying to allowing a parking space on a driveway, in a front yard, and not leading to a garage or parking space beyond a front yard; 155.111, Access to off-street parking facilities, to allow the continued use of the parking space located in a driveway spot to access Second Street by backing into right of way instead of in a forward manner. Improvements (or Structures) located on said property are a four unit building.

Subject Real Estate is currently classified in the R-5 (b), General Residence and Office District, Section 155.021. Legally described as: W.H. ALLENS ADDN S. 30' LOT 7 & N. 10' LOT 8 BLK 12 34-16-5, in the County of Sangamon and State of Illinois; commonly known as 928 South 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois, and further identified as parcel # 14-34.0-309-031. The property is located at 928 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois. The petitioner is Springfield Rentals LLC, By Seth Morrison  
Docket No. 2022-052  
John Harris  
Assistant Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition for a variance of Sections: 155.321(b), Non-Illuminated Signs, and 155.322(b), Illuminated Signs, and 155.320 (e), Permitted accessory on premises signs, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Petitioner is lessee for construction of a proposed Scooter's Coffee Drive-Thru and requests variation of certain sign regulations. Petitioner respectfully petitions for a variance of Section 155.321 (b) and 155.322 (b) to allow 187.20 square feet of wall signage instead of the 36 square feet allowed per code; and a variance of Section 155.320 (e) to allow the ground sign proposed in the site package where the sign is not elevated 10' above grade and not setback 10' of a street-right-of-way per code to allow a setback of 2' from the property line to allow replacement of the existing ground sign.

Improvements (or structures) located on said property is construction of proposed Scooter's Coffee Drive thru. Subject Real Estate is currently classified in the B-1, Highway Business Service District, Section 155.033.

Legally described as: Parcel V: PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF WABASH AVENUE ALSO KNOWN AS U.S. ROUTE 36 AND 54, 10 FEET WEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF THE WEST STREET LINE OF CORBIN AVENUE PROJECTED SOUTH, THENCE SOUTH PARALLEL WITH AFORESAID WEST STREET LINE, 150.00 FEET. THENCE WESTERLY PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF WABASH AVENUE, 150.00 FEET, THENCE NORTHERLY PARALLEL TO AFORESAID WEST STREET LINE, 150.00 FEET TO THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF WABASH AVENUE, THENCE EASTERLY ON SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE, 150.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. TAX I.D. NO. 22-08.0-300-021. WEST 81', PART OF THE LEASE IS FOR APPROXIMATELY 81' OF THE PROPOSED LEGAL DESCRIPTION.

The property is commonly known as 1740 Wabash Avenue, Springfield, Illinois. The petitioners are Whoa N Go Coffee, LLC, As Lessee, By Marcus McGlasson.  
Docket No. 2022-053  
John Harris  
Assistant Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition for a variance of Sections: 155.321(b), Non-Illuminated Signs, and

155.322(b) and (c), Illuminated Signs, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Petitioner is constructing a Scooter's Coffee Drive-Thru and requests variation of certain sign regulations. Petitioner respectfully petitions for a variance of Section 155.321 (b) and 155.322 (b) to allow 122.14 square feet of wall signage instead of the 36 square feet allowed per code; and a variance of Section 155.322 (c) to allow illuminated signage on a lot closer than 100' from a residential zoning lot.

Improvements (or structures) located on said property is construction of proposed Scooter's Coffee Drive thru. Subject Real Estate is currently classified in the B-1, Highway Business Service District, Section 155.033.

Legally described as: Wanless Capital Heights ADDN W 115' of Lots 1 & 2 & W 115' of S 27' L3 EX S 7' of Said L 1 (23,000 SQ FT), Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax I.D. No. 14-25.0-358-046.

The property is commonly known as 2935 Clear Lake Avenue, Springfield, Illinois. The petitioners are Whoa N Go Coffee, LLC, As Lessee, By Marcus McGlasson.  
Docket No. 2022-054  
John Harris  
Assistant Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition for a variance of Section 155.157, Discontinuance of Use, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Petitioner respectfully petitions for a variance of Section 155.157 to make occupancy in both houses on one property, allowing for remodel of the single family residence along the east property line which has been vacant for more than 6 months, allowing for the continued use of two single family dwellings on one lot of record. The non-conforming residential use of 2 residential dwelling units on a lot discontinued when the detached dwelling unit was vacant and ceased active continuous operations for a period of six months per code.

Improvements (or structures) located on said property are two framed houses consisting of two single family dwelling units, and a frame two car garage located in the middle portion of the property. Subject Real Estate is currently classified in the R-2, Single Family and Duplex Residence District, Section 155.017.

Legally described as: L 4 Leinharts Addn N 1/2 L 25 & 26 Washington Iles Sub # 2, situated in County of Sangamon and State of Illinois. Tax ID #22-03.0-184-001

The property is commonly known as 1112 E. Oak Street, Springfield, Illinois. The petitioners are FLLL Properties, LLC, By Ernestus Drake, Owner.  
Docket No. 2022-055  
John Harris  
Assistant Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition to vary Section 155.061, Basic Yard Requirements, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. The petitioner is constructing a duplex on the real estate and desires to have a zero-lot line duplex. Petitioner, to be in compliance with the zoning ordinance, respectfully petitions to vary Section 155.061 for Parcel 2 to allow a rear yard setback (west property line) of

0 feet instead of the 20 feet per code; and for Parcel 1 - a Variance of 155.061, Basic Yard Requirements, to allow a front yard setback (south property line) of 19.49 feet instead of the 25 feet per code, and a rear yard setback (north property line) of 10.03 feet instead of 20 feet per code.

Improvements (or structures) located on said property are a frame building consisting of a duplex. Subject property is currently classified in the R-2, Single-Family and Duplex Residence District, Section 155.017.

Legally described as: LOT 16B OF REDV LOTS 1, 3, 4 & 16 COBBLESTONE EST 4TH ADDITION EX N 5' (11,707 SQ FT), Parcel Number: 22-11.0-451-046

The subject property is commonly known as 2929 Cronin Drive, Springfield, Illinois. The petitioner is MARIEN PROPERTIES OF MMS, INC., By Its Attorneys SGRO, HANRAHAN, DURR, RABIN & REINBOLD, LLP, Alex B. Rabin of Counsel.

Docket No. 2022-056  
John Harris  
Assistant Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition for variance of Sections 155.311, Non-illuminated Nameplates and Identification Signs, 155.314, Illuminated Signs, and 155.315, Residential and Office District Sign Conformance, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Subject property contains an office building which was previously granted relief of certain sign regulations via Docket No. 2018-069 for a variance of Sections: 155.311, 155.314, and 155.315 to permit an illuminated wall sign 95 square feet in size on the front of the building, which projects 12 inches above the wall, and to maintain a monument sign near the corner of Hollis and Robbins Road of fifteen square feet. The total for both signs is one hundred -ten, (110), square feet. Petitioner desires to install an additional illuminated wall sign that is approximately 32 square feet (30" x 151.5") in size on the front of the Building, as shown on Exhibit C. Section 155.311 of the Code provides that for all nonresidential buildings, only one (1) identification sign with an area not exceeding 24 square feet is permitted; Section 155.314 of the Code provides that in any R-5 and Office District, only one (1) illuminated non-flashing sign is permitted, and the total square footage allowed is not to exceed one hundred (100) square feet; Section 155.315 of the Code provides that no sign shall extend more than twenty (20) feet above ground level. To be in compliance with the zoning ordinance, petitioner respectfully requests variance of Sections 155.311, 155.314, and 155.315 to permit installation of the additional illuminated wall signage of approximately 32 square feet in size on the front of the building, as shown on Exhibit C. Alternatively, if the City determines it is more appropriate, Petitioner requests that Ordinance 2018-069 previously granting a variance of the same sections of the Code for the Property, be amended to allow for an additional wall mounted sign of approximately 32 square feet to be installed on the front of the Property for Petitioner.

Improvements (or structures) located on said property is a office building of approximately 118,000 rentable square feet and parking lots for use of the Building's tenants and their guests. Petitioner leases approximately 13,400 square feet of office space. Subject Real Estate is currently classified in the R-5 (b), General Residence and Office District, Section

155.021.

Legally described as: Lot 13 except the North 62.73 feet thereof; all of Lots 14, 15, 16, and 17 of Southwest Plaza Plat 4, according to the Plat thereof recorded March 25, 1991 as Document Number 91007508, situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Also, Lot 8-3 of the Subdivision of Lot 8 of Southwest Plaza, Plat 3 according to the plat thereof recorded February 21, 1989, as Document Number 89H004070, situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax Index Numbers: 21-12-428-012, 21-12-428-013, 21-12-428-019, 21-12-428-020, 21-12-428-021, 21-12-428-022, 21-12-428-023, 21-12-428-025. Consisting of approximately 10.4 acres. The property is commonly known as 3051 Hollis Drive, Springfield, Illinois.

The petitioner is Sikich LLP, By Its Attorneys Sorling Northrup, Michael G. Horstman Jr., of Counsel.  
Docket No. 2022-057  
John Harris  
Assistant Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition for a Conditional Permitted Use pursuant to Sections 155.040 (c) (12), Conditional Permitted Uses in the I-1 Light Industrial District: Adult-Use Cannabis Craft Growers, and Section 155.211.9, Adult-Use Cannabis Craft Growers, and Section 155.040 (C) (14), Conditional Permitted Uses in the I-1 Light Industrial District: Adult Use Cannabis Transporting Organization or Processing Organization, and Section 155.211.10, Adult Use Cannabis Transporting Organization or Processing Organization, and Section 155.492, Conditional Permitted Use, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Petitioner intends to operate an adult use craft grow center on the Northern Portion of the property inclusive of processing and transportation. Petitioner, to be in compliance with the zoning ordinance, respectfully requests Conditional Permitted Uses pursuant to 155.040 (c) (12) and 155.211.9, and 155.040 (c) (14) and 155.211.10, and 155.492, for use of property as an Adult-Use Cannabis Craft Grower; and Transporting Organization and Processing Organization.

Improvements (or structures) located on said property are a one story masonry structure that serves as a warehouse on the Southern portion of the property, while the Northern portion of the property, on which Petitioner intends to construct a cannabis craft grow facility, is unimproved. The existing structure will not be used in connection with the craft grow facility. The subject real estate is currently classified in the I-1, Light Industrial District, Section 155.040.

Legally described as: PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE QUARTER SECTION LINE AND THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF ILLINOIS S.A. ROUTE 3; THENCE SOUTH ON THE QUARTER SECTION LINE 693.65 FEET; THENCE DEFLECTING TO THE RIGHT 71 DEGREES, 50 MINUTES, 10 SECONDS, FOR A DISTANCE OF 315.81 FEET; THENCE DEFLECTING TO THE RIGHT 108 DEGREES, 10 MINUTES, 30 SECONDS, FOR A DISTANCE OF 794.26 FEET TO THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF AFORESAID ROUTE; THENCE DEFLECTING TO THE RIGHT 90 DEGREES, 52

MINUTES ON AFORESAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 87.61 FEET; THENCE DEFLECTING TO THE LEFT 0 DEGREES, 39 MINUTES 20 SECONDS, FOR A DISTANCE OF 212.39 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Common Address: 3451 Lumber Lane, Springfield, IL. P.I.N: 15-19.0-100-010  
The property is commonly known as 3451 Lumber Lane, Springfield, Illinois. The petitioner is EMS Midwest, LLC. By Christopher Stone, Its Manager, By Its Attorneys Delano Law Offices, LLC., Thomas C. Pavlik, Jr. of Counsel.  
Docket No. 2022-058  
John Harris  
Assistant Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.  
A petition to vary Section 9 (Docks) of Appendix A of the Land Use Plan for Lake Springfield and its Marginal Properties. Petitioners respectfully petition to vary the Lake Land Use Plan, Appendix A, Section 9 (Docks) to allow the covered dock and boat lift for boat access to Lake Springfield, at its current location of approximately 54 feet from the shoreline at normal full pool elevation instead of the maximum 35 feet into Lake Springfield as allowed in Section 9 (Docks) of Appendix A of the Lake Springfield Land Use Plan. Improvements (or structures) located on said property are one dwelling unit one attached/unattached garage, and one covered dock with a boat lift. Subject Real Estate is currently classified in the R-1, Single family residence district, Section 155.016.  
Legally described as: Tract 16-A, Fairview Area of Lake Lands in Section 34 in Capital Township (Ord. #759-11-06), Sangamon County, Illinois. Commonly known as 37 Fairview Lane, Springfield, Illinois, and further identified as Index #22-34.0-351-009.  
The property is located at 37 Fairview Lane, Springfield, Illinois  
The petitioners are Thomas & Lorraine Cullen.  
Docket No. 2022-051  
John Harris  
Assistant Zoning Administrator

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
Chasti Burnett, Petitioner vs.  
Phillip A. Rock, Respondent  
Case No: 22-OP-1392  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Phillip A. Rock, 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 Oct. 13, 2022, a judgment or decree may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.  
Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of the Court  
Date: Sept. 15, 2022

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
Danual Berkley, Petitioner vs.  
Paladin Jordan Jr., Respondent  
Case No: 22-OP-1218  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Paladin Jordan Jr., this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before Oct. 13, 2022, 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: Sept. 15, 2022

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
Samantha Berkley, Petitioner vs.  
Paladin Jordan Jr., Respondent  
Case No: 22-OP-1350  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Paladin Jordan Jr., this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before Oct. 13, 2022, 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: Sept. 15, 2022

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
Samantha Berkley, Petitioner vs.  
Paladin Jordan Jr., Respondent  
Case No: 22-OP-1350  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Paladin Jordan Jr., this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before Oct. 13, 2022, 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: Sept. 15, 2022

Casey Rentals  
And/or  
Casey Development Group  
Storages  
2700A Old Rochester Road  
Springfield, Ill. 62703  
Hereby gives Public Notice  
That the contents of the following units will be disposed of on:  
October 1, 2022  
Due to default of storage payments  
Kareem Steanis, Unit A-16  
Shontae Ceasar, Unit AA-3

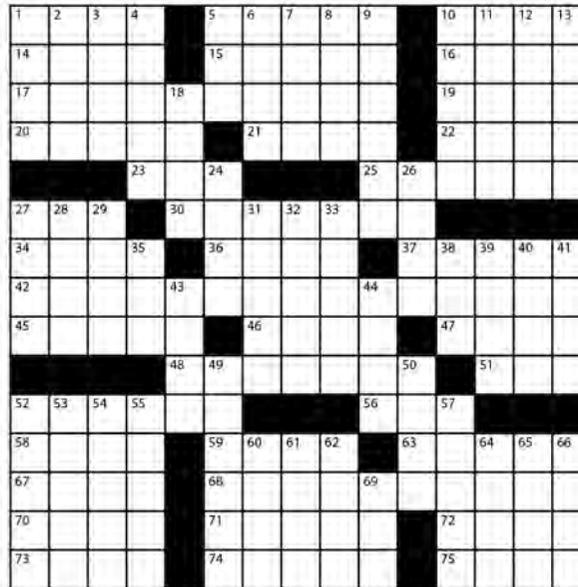
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
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Case No: 22-OP-1392  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Phillip A. Rock, this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before Oct. 13, 2022, a judgment or decree may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.  
Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of the Court  
Date: Sept. 15, 2022

## Middle Names

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### Across

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



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

### Down

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

## Puzzle answers from this week will appear here next week

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

Crossword answers from #756

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

Sudoku answers from #756

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

JoshJosh answers from #756

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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.

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

Difficulty hard

## Sudoku No. 757

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

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

Difficulty medium



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