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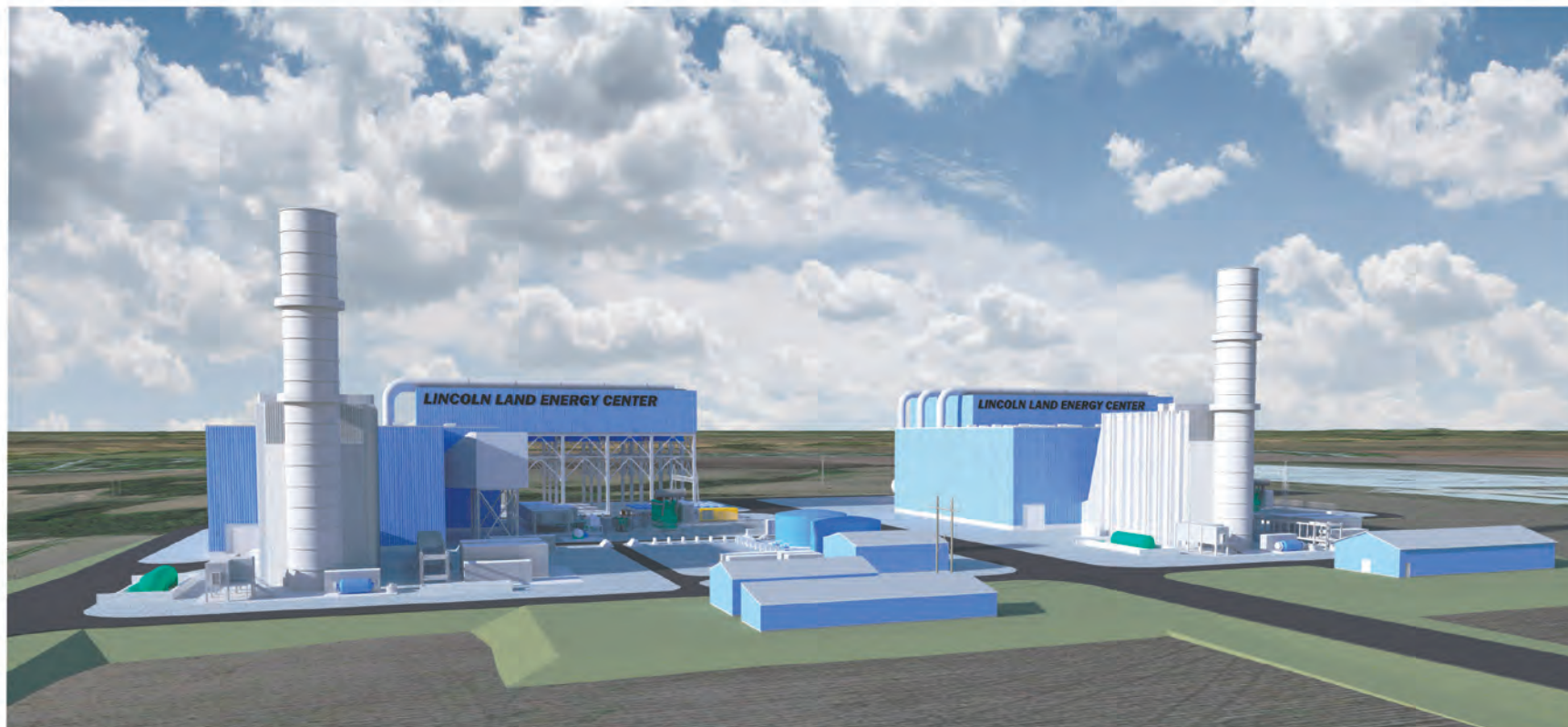
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Police and politics

City council calls for change

UPON FURTHER REVIEW | Bruce Rushton

No one in Springfield, likely, has heard of Brian Eggleston, a bartender who sold dime bags of weed to make ends meet. I covered his first trial in Washington state, back in 1997.

The cops did what drug warriors do. Knowing Eggleston owned guns, they came to his house early in the morning, expecting to catch him by surprise. They certainly did that.

Eggleston, who slept with earplugs because he worked late and didn't want to be wakened by kids at a nearby school playground, emerged from his bedroom naked save for a 9 mm in his hand. The cop on the other end of the dim hallway fired first, with the bullet striking Eggleston in the groin and performing a colectomy as it exited his back side.

Eggleston, who had no criminal history, survived several gunshot wounds. The cop did not — the officer was as much a victim of the drug war as his killer, who had no reason to shoot anyone over an offense that would have brought probation. Convicted of murder after three trials, Eggleston remains an inmate.

A few years later, I wrote about Annette Green, a nickel-and-dime crack dealer gunned down during a 2001 drug raid by a St. Louis area cop who mistook a carriage bolt she held for a gun. The cop was back on duty within a couple weeks. As with Eggleston, police found no drugs worth mentioning. Years later, Green's son protested the killing of Michael Brown in Ferguson, but he told the *New York Times* he wasn't sure why. "It's like, I believe we wasting our time out there," he said. "They not doing nothing. They not going to do nothing. I know that off experience."

Now, we have Breonna Taylor, killed during a botched drug raid in Kentucky. It's cases like hers, plus fallout from George Floyd and other events far from here, that have Springfield city council members vowing to protect people from bad cops. Green's son was

right: Throughout the nation, too much of the same bad stuff has gone on for too long, and we haven't done enough to stop it.

It's hard to see how an ordinance proposed by Ward 3 Ald. Doris Turner would solve anything. She wants to put into city code what's already police department policy: Don't use chokeholds or rubber bullets or deadly force unless necessary. Cops could ask judges for no-knock warrants only under "limited circumstances."

This is all good, but, also, it already is being done, according to Chief Kenny Winslow, who often is praised by council members and civic leaders as an honest cop who doesn't brook bad ones. He's upset the police union to the point that officers in 2017 delivered a no-confidence vote. Would making police brutality an ordinance violation change anything?

Can police enforce the law without breaking down doors, which seems risky even if you knock? Todd Hodges, an alleged marijuana grower who's gotten busted twice, tells me that Springfield police both times broke down his door, the first time when he was in his living room, the second time when no one was home. Was there a better way, given pot gardens can't be flushed down toilets? We should ask whether forcible entry is Option A or a last resort, after safer alternatives such as arresting folks outside their homes, then searching premises, have been rejected.

Turner's ordinance also would require the police department to compile a public database of officer misconduct cases. Go for it, but there's no need for an ordinance. Already, anyone can get internal affairs files via public records requests and put the information on whatever webpage they like. That's what Chicago activists did years ago, thanks in part



Springfield police chief Kenny Winslow takes questions from reporters about an ordinance aimed at police reform.

to lawsuits here in Springfield establishing that internal affairs files are public records — remember when the city paid \$100,000 to settle the Shredgate fiasco spawned when cops destroyed disciplinary files rather than make them public? Cops should chase criminals before they should be paid to compile databases that already can be created.

The proposed ordinance, which is on next week's council consent agenda, also says that misconduct cases may be referred to the Police Community Review Commission, which can't subpoena witnesses or evidence. If the commission has no tools to conduct proper investigations, what's the point? Already, cases may be referred to the commission. Shouldn't we be talking about how to conduct fair, thorough investigations that enjoy public confidence? Turner says she'll propose changes to how the commission functions, but won't say what those changes might be.

It's not that we shouldn't be asking questions. As with any legislation, the question should be, will this change anything? If the answer is no, maybe we aren't trying hard enough. □

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What's at stake in this election

GUESTWORK | Lee H. Hamilton

It probably feels like the 2020 elections have been going on for years, and in a sense they have. Ever since Donald Trump won the presidency in 2016, the political world has been gearing for this moment.

But more Americans than you might expect have only just begun paying attention, now that we're in the final weeks of the campaigns. So, this seems an opportune time to look at where things stand — including some basic information that might have gotten lost in all the shouting.

For instance, most people know the fundamentals of the presidential election: Trump, the Republican, is running for a second term in office and is facing a stiff challenge from Democratic nominee Joe Biden, the former vice president. There are other candidates out there, like rapper Kanye West and Green Party candidate Howie Hawkins, but neither will be on the ballot in every state, and both are widely considered by political insiders to be spoiler candidates whose presence helps Trump.

There's more at stake than just the presidency, however. Congress has been split for the last two years, with Democrats controlling the House of Representatives with 232 seats to the Republicans' 198 (there are also four vacancies and one Libertarian, former Republican Justin Amash), and the GOP holding the majority in the Senate, 53-45, with two independents who caucus with the Democrats. Although individual House seats may flip, there is little sense that the Democrats are in danger of losing their control of that chamber. The Senate, however, is very much in play. Republicans are defending 23 seats and several of their incumbents are trailing in polls, while Democrats hold just 12 of the seats up for election this year, with only one of them — Doug Jones' seat in Alabama — in a deep-red state.

It's also worth remembering that of the 99 legislative chambers in the country (Nebraska's is unicameral), 86 will be facing elections in November. Republicans control 61 in all, Democrats 37, and there's a power-sharing arrangement in Alaska. This is an especially consequential year for state legislative contests, because in most states the party in control next year will

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Editor's note

It looks like decency will win over crassness in the election next month, but it is too soon to tell. Things may have to get worse before they get better. Many will despair unless they focus on the long term, and local first. Regardless of the outcome of the national election, there will be neighborhoods to be rebuilt in Springfield, and schools to be improved in central Illinois, and plenty to do here about racism, equity and inclusion. —Fletcher Farrar, editor and CEO

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OPINION

More fallout from Rep. Amy Grant call

POLITICS | Rich Miller

Another snippet has been leaked of a now-infamous recorded fundraising call made by Rep. Amy Grant (R-Wheaton) in late August. And it's a doozy.

Grant is already reeling badly from the backlash to other comments she made during the call. She has insisted that she is neither a racist nor a homophobe and has tried to claim her words were taken out of context, without explaining how.

You may have seen the news about this. Grant is running against Ken Mejia-Beal, a gay Black Democrat. In the call, she dismissed Mejia-Beal to someone she believed to be a potential campaign contributor by saying “That’s all we need is another person in the Black Caucus.” She mocked “the way he talks,” saying “He’s all LGBTQ. He wants to work for the chronically ill. He just gives us, like crazy, and every week it’s a different reason for why he wants to get into the race.”

In the latest clip, Grant is heard telling the potential contributor how groups like Planned Parenthood would be attacking her for opposing abortion even in cases of rape and incest.

“Well, of course, you know, people don’t want to hear that,” Grant admitted about her position on the issue.

But Grant went on to explain why she continues to stick by her beliefs. “For starters, the percentage of incest,” she said. “Peter Breen, who said, Amy, don’t worry about that; the percentage of incest is so small it’s ridiculous. And in the case of rape it’s even small.”

Breen is a former Republican state Representative who is currently campaigning to regain the seat he lost in 2018 to Terra Costa Howard (D-Glen Ellyn). He's also vice president and chief counsel at the staunchly anti-abortion Thomas More Society.

The House Republicans turned down an opportunity to respond.

Grant's opponent, Ken Mejia-Beal, pointed to a series of recent Republican attack mailers that essentially accused him of helping cover up a rape. "It really is the height of hypocrisy," he said of Grant's recorded comments.

Similar mailers have apparently been used against Democratic House candidates this cycle. The front of one of the mailers has the words (in all capital letters) “Rape, Cover-Up, Mike Madigan” and the candidate’s name. The headline on the other side was: “Ken Mejia-Beal: Silent When It Mattered.”

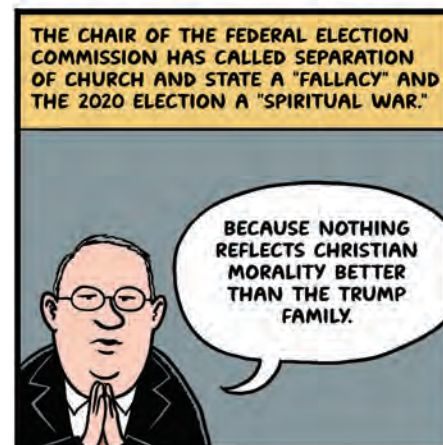
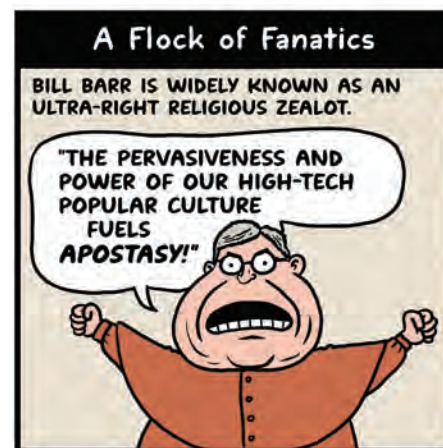
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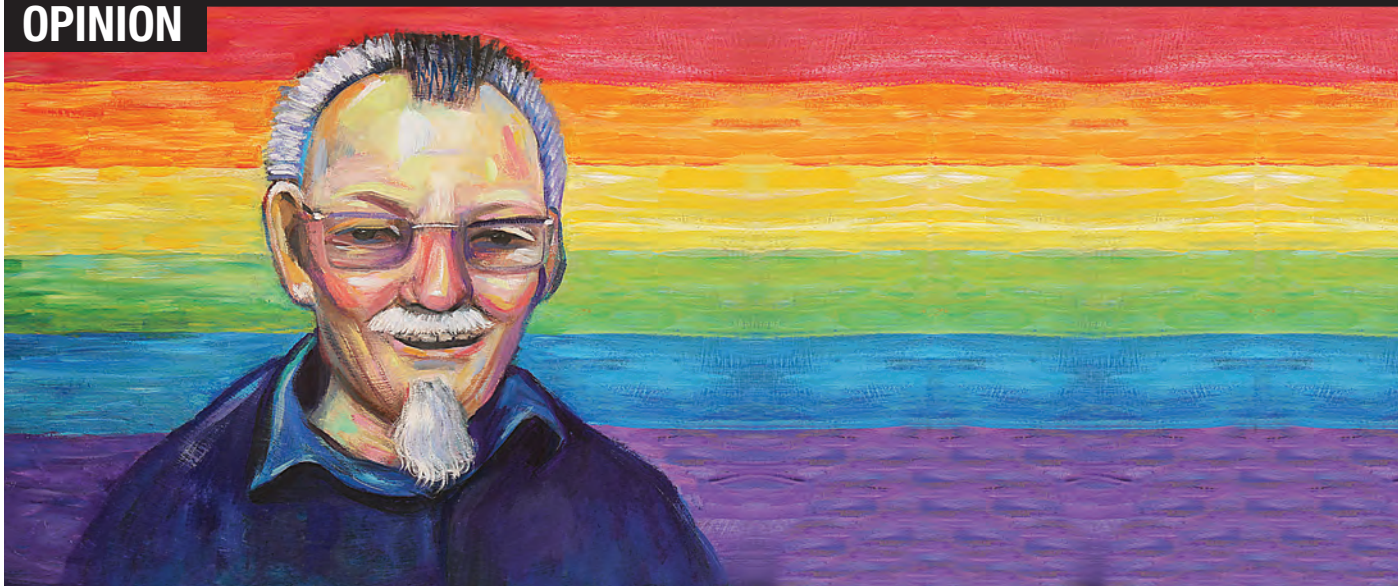
organization was implicated in a rape cover-up, top Democrats called for him to step down. What did Ken Mejia-Beal have to say? Nothing.”

The mailer referred to an emailed comment made by House Speaker Michael Madigan's former consigliere Mike McClain, who was trying to protect a state worker's job by claiming the guy had kept his mouth shut about "the rape in Champaign." The explosive story broke in January of this year, less than two months after Mejia-Beal had filed his nominating petitions.

Mejia-Beal said the mailers were particularly hurtful because he's been a mentor for sexual assault survivors. He issued a press release at the time saying he had no knowledge of the issue and called the attack "pathetic" because Grant was "using the unfortunate story of someone else's abuse to earn political points for her own campaign."

After the latest audio clip was leaked, Mejia-Beal issued a formal statement: "While millions of women in the U.S. have become pregnant as a result of rape or incest, Representative





A portrait of Buff Charmichael painted by Springfield artist Felicia Olin.

vulgar poem #1

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BETTER FOR HAVING BUFF HERE

Thank you for the article about Buff Carmichael ("Igniting change," Sept. 24). I'd heard much about his past at one time or another. I know he's done a lot for the gay community in central Illinois, not just Springfield. Once at a writer's conference, a woman from New York told me she'd read my column in the *Prairie Flame* when she was in college at Illinois State University.

Funny how things come together. A man who cut his teeth on a movement in Dallas to abolish the death penalty (a pretty tall order), comes to Decatur and eventually Springfield, and uses his skills to better the lot of LGBTQ folks in the middle of Illinois.

I don't know what else to say. He's not Abe Lincoln. There won't be statues to honor his freeing of the slaves, although in a way, that's what he did.

Martha Miller
Springfield

PROFITING FROM PRISON HEALTH CARE

I volunteer with the John Howard Association, one of

the few independent prison watchdog groups in this country. More independent monitoring is needed, much more.

I have been inside the maximum security prisons in Illinois and interviewed countless offenders. The concerns from the offenders are always the same: woefully inadequate health care. The concerns, to nobody's surprise, come mainly from Black offenders.

Behemoths like Wexford and Corizon have had countless lawsuits filed against them. Three years ago, Julie Jones, Director of Corrections for the state of Florida, finally threw her hands up and had had enough of Wexford's total lack of competency. She rightfully terminated the valuable state contract.

She's not alone. Several states have tried to reign in for-profit giants with varying results. These companies continue to fail the populations that need them the most.

The words "for profit" and "health care" should never be in the same sentence as profits will always be prioritized over health care.

This needs to change.

Jason Perry
Springfield

WRIGHT HAS EARNED VOTES

As a former Sangamon

County State's Attorney and retired circuit judge for the Seventh Judicial Court, I am pleased to support Dan Wright's candidacy for Sangamon County State's Attorney ("Challenger cites experience in prosecutor's race," Sept. 24). In my professional capacity, I have extensive direct experience with the work of the Sangamon County State's Attorney's Office and understand the traits of an effective state's attorney. During his tenure as state's attorney, Wright has excelled in his role as lead criminal prosecutor for the county. He has successfully taken on tough cases while being fair to all in the administration of justice. Consequently, Wright has earned the respect and support of the law enforcement community.

At the same time, Wright has reached out to broadly diverse constituencies within our county in an effort to instill confidence in the criminal justice system. This is particularly important in these tumultuous times, when cynicism in our system of justice is all too common.

We are fortunate to have a person of Dan Wright's character and caliber in the state's attorney's office. He has earned your vote.

Patrick W. Kelley
Springfield

What's at stake

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have a strong hand when it comes to redistricting after census numbers come in, giving it a chance to cement favorable legislative and congressional districts in place for the next decade.

More than control of the White House and Congress is at stake this year. A lot of Americans consider this election the most consequential of their lifetimes. The U.S. faces unprecedented challenges all at once: widespread natural catastrophes, fueled by climate change; a pandemic whose course remains uncertain; a reeling economy that even before the pandemic had produced widening inequality of both income and opportunity; a reckoning with centuries of entrenched racial inequality and resistance to demographic change; and a real sense not only that U.S. standing in the world has slipped precipitously over the last four years – and especially since the start of the pandemic – but that it's being outplayed by a rising China and a meddlesome Russia. Beyond that, the recent passing of Justice Ginsburg has moved appointments to the Supreme Court to the top of the agenda.

President Trump has not really laid out a detailed plan for a second term, so in many ways, voters in federal elections will be deciding whether to re-up for another four years of his governing style, with its disapproval of government institutions and norms. Biden has spelled out his plans for the economy, his interest in following the recommendations of the scientific community in the pandemic, and both his sympathy for racial-justice demonstrators and respect for local police when it comes to dealing with crime and looting.

The mix of environmental, economic, health, social and global strategic issues we face means that the next president, Congress, and an array of governors and state legislatures will confront a bewildering and rapid-fire set of problems to be tackled, with a demanding citizenry watching closely. That's why the stakes are so high: the people we put in office this election will shape the future of the U.S. for decades. □

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Student screen time

Learning from home means staring at computers

EDUCATION | Rachel Otwell

After school abruptly went remote in March, the state board of education recommended a maximum of 90 minutes of daily “engagement” for students in kindergarten through second grade. For third through fifth graders the max was two hours and rose incrementally to 270 minutes for high schoolers.

Much has changed since then. Springfield’s public school district has kept all classes online until at least Oct. 26. And now, students have five-hour-long school days, to varying degrees of success. While some parents appreciate the several hours of class as they work from home, others are stressed enough that they’ve considered options outside of District 186.

Casey Boatman has twins in first grade at a district school. He and his wife are nurses, both of whom work 12-hour shifts. He said his son in particular is finding it a challenge to sit through classes. The kids are six years old. “They’re just sitting still, staring at things,” said Boatman.

Further complicating the long periods of time staring at a screen, the tech issues can be complicated, with apps to be used while students are logged into Zoom. For their family, it’s not working. “I’m going to start travel nursing ... so that we can afford private school,” where students have returned to the classroom, said Boatman.

Jason Curry is an elementary teacher at Iles School. Class starts at 8:30, when the students log into Zoom. He lets them greet each other for a while, then moves into an activity that addresses social and emotional needs. The kids go into smaller groups to work on assignments. They have class times with different teachers for special subjects, including P.E. And they do some assignments with paper, though being able to review homework done that way comes with its own challenges.

“It’s a lot of back and forth,” Curry said, between live sessions and more independent learning. Classes end at 2. He said parents have been grateful for the amount of engagement. It’s time they can focus on their own work.

His own child is in second grade and his mom helps her with classes. “Personally, I



The desk of a first-grader who attends District 186. PHOTO BY RACHEL OTWELL

feel like it’s too much screen time,” he said of the current school day. “But I don’t know what a solution to that would be.” Curry said teachers are working harder than ever to prepare lessons and they miss seeing their students face-to-face.

Health experts warn that as the months of mitigation efforts for the pandemic go on, children’s mental health could take a toll. Dr. Douglas Carlson is the medical director of St. John’s Children’s Hospital. He said keeping kids physically active is one key component to overall health. “When you can, get the kids off the screen, and doing some physical activity,” he suggested. “The number of children suffering from anxiety and depression will go up. There’s some evidence of that already,” he said. Parents who notice symptoms in their kids should reach out to primary care physicians for help.

The Illinois State Board of Education sent updated guidelines for fall that now suggest a minimum of two and a half hours of “real-time” online learning for districts that chose to go remote. At the latest Springfield school board meeting, on Sept. 21, member Micah

Miller questioned why classes in the city were five hours long, citing “a lot of dispute” over that amount of time.

A key question now is when those who choose to do so will be returning to the classroom. In summer, about half of students registered to go into schools on certain days under a hybrid model. It was later decided the school year would begin remotely for all, through at least the first quarter. At the recent meeting, the board approved metrics for returning. They include that the county positivity rate be at or less than 5%. The positivity rate for the county was 3.2% for the week of Sept. 13 through 19, according to the state health department.

Four metrics in all would need to be met for two weeks in a row before the hybrid model would be offered. Once those metrics are reached, teachers would need 10 days to prepare, said Supt. Jennifer Gill. Some families have already chosen to remain remote through the end of the calendar year. □

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Donations to Tent City. PHOTO BY BRUCE RUSHTON

IT AIN'T A LANDFILL

CAP CITY We know you might mean well, but please: The homeless don’t need secondhand wedding gowns or dinged-up dress shoes or used mattresses or other stuff that a thrift store wouldn’t take. Nonetheless, folks have been bestowing Springfield’s makeshift tent city on Madison Street with trash unfit for castaways on a three-hour tour, emptying car trunks with stained shirts and ripped pants and other things that end up in garbage bins that the city hauls away, as if tent city were a free-for-all fly dumping zone. The city and those who want to help the homeless say no mas: Don’t bring stuff uninvited to tent city. While donations are welcome, call or text Helping the Homeless at 217-652-1307 before dropping off unwanted waterbeds and the like. Homeless people don’t want stained blankets and bedsheets any more than you do.

STATEHOUSE STATUES

CAP CITY Two statues outside the Capitol have been removed. Pierre Menard was the state’s first lieutenant governor and owned enslaved people. Stephen A. Douglas, foe of Abraham Lincoln, profited from a family plantation. House Speaker Michael Madigan had asked over the summer for them to go. Many Springfield residents had asked for the same. Over the weekend, the statues were removed to be put in storage. No replacements are on the immediate horizon. The Office of the Architect of the Capitol board, a small legislative group, had met in August to discuss the development after the speaker’s remarks. It’s still not clear what will happen to a statue of Martin Luther King Jr. across the street from the Capitol. Some have called for it to be moved to the Statehouse lawn. The board discussed a potential redo of it. Robert Moore of Springfield, retired U.S. Marshal and longtime member of the Springfield chapter of Frontiers International, had successfully advocated in the early ’90s to have the statue more prominently placed, and prefers the current location. He said the board of white men should seek public comment about the decision. “We see no diversity on that board,” Moore said.

Steps to fairness include drug penalty reform, elderly parole

Racial disparity in Illinois prison population among the worst

PRISON REFORM | Raymon Troncoso, Capitol News Illinois

The Illinois Senate Criminal Law Committee and Special Committee on Public Safety held the latest in a series of hearings related to the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus’ legislative agenda Sept. 29, focusing on reclassifying offenses, drug penalty reform and elderly parole.

“We must confront the vast disparities in how individuals throughout the state are sentenced,” said state Sen. Elgie Sims, a Chicago Democrat and chair of the Senate Criminal Law Committee. “We have to ensure that our justice system treats everyone fairly regardless of their race, religion and economic status. That often is not the case. These issues are important to achieve a more fair and equitable system.”

Witnesses testifying before the committee included Tanya Woods, executive director of the Westside Justice Center; Champaign County State’s Attorney Julia Rietz; White County State’s Attorney Denton Aud; Ben Ruddell, director of criminal justice policy for the Illinois ACLU; and representatives from Restore Justice Illinois.

Witnesses generally agreed that changes made to

reduce penalties for crimes involving cannabis, along with the expungement of minor cannabis-related drug crimes following marijuana legalization last year, were positive steps forward.

Ruddell of the ACLU noted the war on drugs and drug crimes in general have harshly impacted Black Americans more than any other demographic.

“In 1980 our prison population was 11,768. Today it stands at more than 30,000. Despite a decades-long decline in the overall crime rate, data shows that increased drug arrests by the police and the enactment of punitive sentencing policies for drug offenses were major drivers in the spike in incarceration,” Ruddell said.

In 2018, Ruddell said, 60 percent of those arrested for a drug crime in Illinois were Black.

“While Black Illinoisans make up 14.5 percent of the state’s population, they make up 54.8 of those in prison and are imprisoned at 8.8 times the rate of whites, one of the worst disparities of any state,” he said.

Isolated to drug crimes, the disparities are larger. Between 2016 and 2018, Black Illinoisans made up

69 percent of drug offenders admitted to the Illinois Department of Corrections, and 59 percent of strictly cannabis offenders.

Ruddell suggested three reforms to combat these disparities: reduction of all drug crimes by one class, reclassification of felony possession to a misdemeanor, and elimination of mandatory minimums and sentence enhancements. Lawmakers discussed the third point in a previous joint hearing.

Wendell Robinson, from Restore Justice Illinois, said as a juvenile he was sentenced to life in prison for violent crimes. Robinson served more than 25 years before being released in 2018 after a 2012 Supreme Court decision that made mandatory life sentences without parole for juvenile offenders unconstitutional.

Robinson cited a Justice Policy Institute study of 200 elderly prisoners in Maryland who were jailed as juveniles and released as the result of a ruling by the Maryland Supreme Court. The median age of the individuals was 64 and they had served 34 years on average. Over a six-year period upon release, the group had a 3 percent recidivism rate. That was far

lower than the national average of 43 percent of those released from prison being incarcerated again, according to a 2011 Pew research study.

“A lot of guys that we are talking about that could potentially be parolees are people that are near and dear to me like friends. These are individuals that helped shape and mold the man that I became today,” Robinson said. “I know a lot of elderly guys [in prison] I still keep in communication with about these guys, they are like extremely positive individuals, but they just need a second chance.”

The hearing was the fifth prompted by Black Caucus’ push to promote its agenda, which is based on four pillars: Criminal justice reform, violence and police accountability; education and workforce development; economic access, equity and opportunity; and health care and human services.

The caucus plans to advance legislation to address each pillar during the upcoming veto session, which is scheduled for Nov. 17-19 and Dec. 1-3. □

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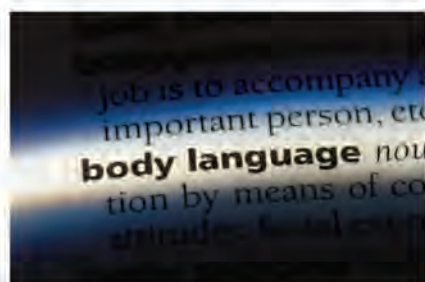
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Body Language Can Matter in the Family Court

In any court date in the family court, there are a lot of moving parts. For example, if there is a trial or evidentiary hearing, parties are often worried about the case itself.

This might mean worrying about the witnesses who will be called, the evidence presented, and how the judge will rule. It also might involve the emotions and stress involved with having to be in court. For many, it took a long time to get a trial or court date.

Even if it is not a trial date, but merely a motion date, pretrial or settlement conference, these court dates can be stressful. Stress can cause parties to become nervous, anxious or even frustrated.

These feelings can sometimes bring out bad body language in the courtroom. The bad body language can culminate in frowning, being fidgety, slouching or even reacting negatively from a body language perspective based on what happens in court.

Some parties may moan or gasp. Others might throw up their hands or fidget in their chairs. In some instances, parties might furiously pass notes to their lawyers. Ultimately, the poor visuals can be damaging.

The bad body language can come

when an individual simply sees the other party in a contentious case. But the wrong body language can begin when the opposing lawyer is speaking, when a witness is testifying or something happens that they feel is bad for their case. Worse yet, it can come when the judge says something or announces a ruling from the bench.

Bad body language can damage a case. Judges have lots of discretion in divorce or family court cases in terms of what they do. Often, judges are weighing the credibility of witnesses not only based on what they say, but what they can see.

If the family court judge sees body language they do not like, it can be damaging. Ultimately, parties need to be careful that they are in control of their body language. They have to understand that this can make a difference.

Some useful tips include remaining stone-faced at all times. No matter what happens in a courtroom, most parties should not react to it in any way. Sitting in a chair with good posture can help. It can project confidence and a sense of calm.

Even with the stress of these court dates, parties have to go to their happy place emotionally. It might mean meditating or praying for peace. It might mean engaging in breathing techniques or trying to fo-

cus on something. Whatever helps a person display a positive demeanor, they should employ.

Parties have to avoid showing their anger, anxiety and frustration as best as possible. To the extent they are getting emotional, talking to their attorney in a private room to express their concerns can help. It might mean taking a walk or going to the water fountain or restroom when emotions are building up. But when a party is in the courtroom, they should realize that everything they do can impact the case.

Bad body language can even impact the ability to settle the case. If the opposing party and lawyer can see that a party is becoming unglued, some may decide not to settle because they might believe that the other party will not make a good impression.

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Police residency and review

Town hall on policing issues includes mayor and chief

COMMUNITY | Rachel Otwell

Police reform is a nationally trending topic as demonstrators continue to protest killings of Black people. Meanwhile, activists are calling for changes they say would address concerns regarding the Springfield Police Department.

Community leaders continue to meet to explore potential police reform. Black Lives Matter Springfield has held a series of off-record conversations with police in recent months. On Sept. 22, the mayor and police chief joined the Faith Coalition for the Common Good and other advocacy organizations, including the local Black Lives Matter chapter, to talk openly about police misconduct review and residency requirements.

Roy Williams Jr., president of the faith-based social justice advocacy group, started the meeting by clarifying the meeting's intent. "This is not an anti-police situation. This is not a 'defund the police' situation." The mission was to work toward what advocates see as solutions to better community and police relations.

"With everything going on around the country right now, I think our country and our community is more divided than it's ever been," Springfield police chief Kenny Winslow said during opening remarks. "It's each and every one of our responsibilities to bring that community together to form a better and improved profession and society." Regular evolution within police practices is needed, he offered, but change must be evidence-based and balanced.

Review

Tyrese Thomas is co-founder of In Black Ink, a nonprofit based in Springfield and focused on equality. He told meeting attendees that the inactivity of the Police Community Review Commission was troubling. He questioned why the board was largely composed of those with a background in law enforcement. It appears the commission exists "not to provide transparency, but simply lip service, and possibly even protect officers who have been engaged in various acts of misconduct," he said.

Thomas questioned the amount of internal affairs complaints in 2019. "We believe that 24 complaints is artificially low because the process to report is obscured and exclusionary." He said information about the review commission should be easier to access for residents.

"The community review board, without the input of the actual community, seems to be entirely ineffective," he said. He asked that the mayor and police chief work with his organization and others to help develop an ordinance changing the police community review process.

Mayor Jim Langfelder said there are two vacancies on the board. "We don't look to stack the deck," he said. He said those interested in applying or who want more information could email the city at: feedback@springfield.il.us.

Winslow said the review commission is not under the police department; it falls under the community relations department. He said there has been one case for review in the past three years, and cases where there is no internal finding of misconduct are the only ones to be considered through that process. When a case is deemed unfounded, the complainant gets the option to appeal the case to the commission.

Winslow said he would take suggestions, but, "I'm not going to negotiate this in public." He said the police union had put him on notice, citing its right to bargain over any potential changes.

Residency

Emma Shafer, a Springfield activist and college student, said she was alarmed to learn that "Springfield police officers are not required to live in the city that they are meant to serve." An ordinance passed in 2016 required newly hired municipal employees to live in city limits. "All of the city's more than 20 unions agreed to this in their new contracts, except for the (police union.)"

"If you have someone driving an hour to work every day, they aren't going to feel as connected to the community as someone who lives down the street," she said.

Shafer asked, on behalf of the Faith Coalition for the Common Good, that the police chief and mayor make a statement to commit to reinstating the police residency requirement in the future police union contract.

"I've always supported residency, I've lived in the city my entire career," said Winslow. "But I want to make it crystal clear here that I have nothing bad to say about those officers who live outside the city." Winslow said he's not certain residency has an effect on performance.

Langfelder said he supports a residency requirement. "Pensions and retirements of public employees are paid by property taxes," a key argument for why those who benefit from the funds should live in Springfield, he said.

While no decisions were made about both issues discussed, the police chief and mayor agreed to another meeting with the community groups, which also included Education and Action Together (EAT), by Oct. 31. □

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"He had a good shot at getting out"

Prosecutor criticizes state in Schmitt case

COURTS | Bruce Rushton

Legislators should hold hearings in the wake of an assault at McFarland Mental Health Center allegedly committed by a resident the state deemed safe for release, says the prosecutor who fought to keep the man at McFarland.

"Luckily, it happened inside rather than out in the community," says Effingham County State's Attorney Bryan Kibler.

Twice since 2017, McFarland psychiatrists and other staff have said that Gary Schmitt, an admitted killer, should be discharged to West Lake Center, a residential mental health center run by Memorial Health System. On Sept. 18, Sangamon County prosecutors say, Schmitt assaulted a resident in her room at McFarland, choking her to the point that she lost consciousness.

Schmitt, 56, is charged with aggravated criminal sexual assault, aggravated battery and unlawful restraint, with bond set at \$100,000.

At the time of the attack, Schmitt, who killed his father a decade ago, was appealing a 2019 decision by Effingham County Circuit Court Judge Kimberly Koester, who refused to release him from McFarland. In her ruling, Koester criticized the community conditional release program, saying she was concerned by testimony from Andrew Jolly, the program director who is employed by Memorial.

"Specifically, this court notes that the program seems to not take seriously the potential for danger that this individual possesses," Koester wrote after hearing that six hours can pass before a West Lake resident is considered missing. "Mr. Jolly even seemed to be offended at points in his testimony when he was questioned regarding the time necessary to report an individual that may have eloped from the program. The court did weigh this factor when considering the rehabilitation of the defendant and the safety of the public."

Given testimony from McFarland staff who recommended release, Kibler says he figured that he had a 50-50 chance in the appeal of Koester's ruling that will be withdrawn in light of new charges.

"To be honest, I thought he had a decent shot," Kibler said. "He had a good chance of getting out within a year, and then this happened."

Schmitt's history of mental illness dates back decades. He once attempted suicide by driving his car into a bridge at 70 mph. He killed his father by bludgeoning him with a rock on Father's Day in 2010 but police initially didn't realize it was a homicide. He confessed after attacking a woman and her 15-year-old daughter with a hunting knife several months later. He told police that God had wanted him to kill the woman.

Found not guilty by reason of insanity, Schmitt was sent to McFarland in 2013. Within two years, he was living in a minimum security unit and allowed to roam the 150-acre campus. When Schmitt requested release in 2017, a McFarland

administrator testified that he could have walked away because the facility has no gate across its entrance.

Despite recommendations by McFarland psychiatrists and other staff who deemed Schmitt safe, Koester in 2017 and again in 2019 rejected requests for release to West Lake. She also rejected a 2016 request by McFarland to allow Schmitt to spend two weeks or more, unescorted, at St. John's Hospital, where he received heart surgery.

Kibler said changes to statutes should be considered so that more attention is given to the underlying crime when people who've been found not guilty by reason of insanity request release from mental health facilities run by the state Department of Human Services.

"I think there needs to be more protections, or stronger weight given to why they're in there in the first place," the prosecutor said. "And you better be damn sure that the person is not going to commit any more violence if DHS wants to release you. Here, DHS was jumping up and down, adamant this guy was fine to release back to the community, and clearly he was not."

Marisa Kolias, DHS spokeswoman, wrote in an email that the agency can't comment on specific cases. "Although the behavior of individuals committed to our facilities cannot always be predicted, we strive to maintain a safe environment for our staff and patients," she wrote. "This includes observation and periodic evaluation to determine individual treatment needs." In an email, Angie Muhs, Memorial spokeswoman, wrote that Memorial doesn't recommend whether a person should be granted conditional release from McFarland. "Staff may be called upon to testify as to the structure of our program and details of our treatment," she wrote. "In addition, being granted a conditional release does not guarantee a person will be accepted into our program."

Kibler said DHS should answer to lawmakers.

"I know they're beyond capacity, and I get why they're trying to release these people — they don't have any more room for them, and their budget's probably shot," he said. "Hopefully, the General Assembly will at least call some of these DHS guys into committee hearings: Can you explain how you were all set to release this guy, and then he messed up so violently. What's going on? What's your criteria for releasing people?"

State Rep. Mike Murphy, R-Springfield, whose district includes McFarland, says he's not sure a hearing is necessary.

"If this is something that's happened before, it would definitely be something we would have to look into," Murphy said. "If this is a one-time situation, I don't know if it's necessarily anything we need to look at. I'm just not sure if it's a problem or a one-time situation." □



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Lower compulsory school age to 5?

Black Caucus equity agenda includes kindergarten for all

EDUCATION | Peter Hancock, Capitol News Illinois

Illinois lawmakers may soon consider legislation to lower the state's compulsory attendance law to include 5-year-olds, a measure advocates see as a way to expand access to early childhood education opportunities, especially among Black and low-income families.

That was just one of the issues discussed Sept. 24 during a virtual joint hearing of the Illinois Senate Education and Higher Education committees, and it's one that has the strong backing of the Illinois State Board of Education.

"We firmly believe that lowering the compulsory school age to five will ensure that all children have a better opportunity to receive a strong foundation of literacy and reading skills that will set them up for success in all aspects of their lives," Brenda Dixon, ISBE's chief research and evaluation director, said during the hearing that was conducted via Zoom.

Currently, Illinois only requires children between the ages of 6 and 17 to attend school, which effectively makes kindergarten optional. Currently, Dixon said, about 130,000 children attend kindergarten in Illinois public schools, but lowering the compulsory attendance age to five could boost that number by as many as 3,000, or 2.3 percent.

"We believe lowering the compulsory school age to five will support more equitable educational opportunities for our youngest learners, and build on the state's investment in early childhood education," Dixon said. "Kindergarten for all will strengthen the learning continuum for Illinois students."

The hearing was just one in a series of hearings that the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus has called to discuss issues surrounding racial inequities. Earlier, the ILBC said it was developing a legislative agenda for racial equity that would be based on four "pillars."

Besides education and workforce development, which was the subject of last week's hearing, the other pillars include criminal justice reform; economic access, equity and opportunity; and health care and human services.

Dixon noted that students who don't start school until the first grade are at an immediate disadvantage with their peers who went to kindergarten, and they rarely get the opportunity to catch up.

"There is no catch-up time built into our school calendar for children who enter the public school system underprepared," she said. "Once established, gaps in school readiness skills are difficult and costly to remedy, leading to pronounced gaps in achievement. We firmly believe that lowering the compulsory school age to 5 will ensure that all children have a better opportunity to receive a strong

foundation of literacy and reading skills that will set them up for success in all aspects of their lives."

Christopher Span, a researcher and associate dean at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign's College of Education, said that for most of America's history, Black children were specifically excluded from access to public education, even after the landmark 1954 U.S. Supreme Court case *Brown vs. Topeka Board of Education*.

"One thing that I was able to kind of show in my research is that as schooling became more compulsory, you saw African Americans close the gap in what we call gaps of achievement in school communities," he said. "And we also see it with regards to the closing of the gap in terms of educational attainment – so, gaining access to high school, gaining access to college degrees."

While there appeared to be broad support among educators for lowering the mandatory school age in order to expand access to kindergarten, there was much less support for the one of the other proposals being considered – a requirement that students be held back in the third grade if, by the end of that year, they still are not meeting state standards for reading and math skills.

It is often said among educators that from kindergarten through third grade, students learn to read, and from fourth grade on, they read to learn. That means students who enter fourth grade without the reading skills needed for fourth-grade work are likely to fall further and further behind for the rest of their time in school.

But Dixon and others said mandatory retention policies have been shown to do more harm than good.

"In fact, studies have long shown that mandatory retention increases dropout risk," Dixon said. "Now, while there are some recent studies that associate mandatory retention policies with short-term academic gains, those effects disappear by middle school, again suggesting that there are no lasting positive impacts of mandatory retention policies."

Dixon said if that policy were in place today, based on the most recent state assessments, 85,000 to 90,000 third-graders, or 72 percent, would be held back from going on to fourth grade. Of those, roughly 80 percent are Black and brown students, and 85 percent are from low-income families.

"What is most important when it comes to the policy on third grade retention is what we do the years preceding third grade," Dixon said. □

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HIGH-STAKES REMATCH



A quiet but expensive campaign for the 13th Congressional District

POLITICS | David Blanchette

A political rematch two years in the making, with campaigns dictated by the COVID pandemic, will decide who represents a large swath of central Illinois in the nation's capital. And when it's over, whoever wins may not have a district in which to run for reelection in 2022.

The 13th Congressional District race is a repeat of the contest two years ago where political newcomer

Betsy Dirksen Londrigan came close to unseating incumbent Rodney Davis. A mere 2,058 votes out of nearly 271,000 cast made Davis' victory one of the tightest in the nation, and Dirksen Londrigan hopes the math works in her favor this time.

"We are ready to finish what we started and flip this seat," said Dirksen Londrigan, a Democrat, who, like last time, has used Davis' support of

President Donald Trump as a key component of her campaign.

Davis, a fourth-term Republican, thinks his support of the president plays well in the 13th District.

"Donald Trump is a lot more popular in my district than Mike Madigan is," Davis said. "I truly support President Trump."

The two candidates have done very little in-per-

son campaigning due to the pandemic, although the fundraising dollars are still coming at a brisk pace in a race that both political parties feel has national implications. But with Illinois facing the possibility of losing a congressional seat due to declining population, there may not be a 13th Congressional District when the next election rolls around.

High-stakes rematch

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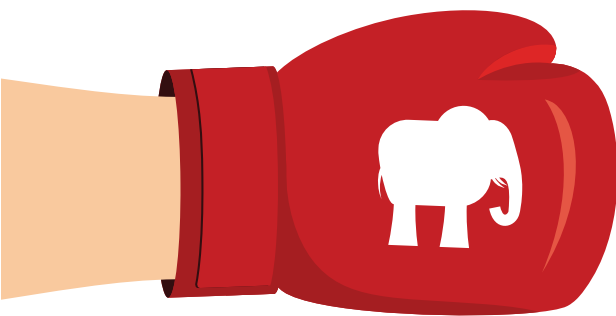
Pandemic politics

Prior to COVID-19, members of Congress typically spent three weeks out of the month in Washington, D.C., and came back for a week to travel around their districts, including campaign appearances.

"After mid-March our lives became endless conference calls," Davis said. "So we are doing more virtual events. I think I've had three live fundraising events, but the majority of them over the summer have been virtual."

Davis' summer campaigning was interrupted when he tested positive for COVID-19 and had to quarantine for 10 days. He had an elevated fever and lost some sense of taste and smell, but has since fully recovered.

"There's a lot less opportunity to go to different events to spread your message," Davis said. "So you have to adapt, you have to do them virtually, but in the end the same messages are going to get out."



"Our teams are out knocking on doors now but there are no public events, like the parades you normally did," Davis said. "The only local parade that they still held was July 4 in my hometown of Taylorville, and everybody wore masks because there's no way to social distance during a parade."

Dirksen Londrigan, a Springfield resident, wore a mask and gloves in that same July 4 parade and has worn a mask at several Black Lives Matter protests she has attended, but her campaign has not organized any in-person events.

"It was so scary when this pandemic started, people didn't know what was happening, so I asked my team to pivot away from making political calls and instead do wellness check calls to people around the district," Dirksen Londrigan said. "In mid-June when people started adjusting to this new environment, we were able to pivot back to more traditional volunteer recruitment and started doing Zoom calls."

Dirksen Londrigan said her phone bank volunteers had surpassed 100,000 calls within the district by mid-September.

"I miss being on the campaign trail, I miss being with people, but with what we have to work with right now I think we're doing great," Dirksen Londrigan said. "I recently did a Facebook Live and Zoom event at the same time and we were able to invite more people from across the district than for the same in-person event two years ago."

The police

Neither candidate supports defunding the police. Both advocate for additional law enforcement spending, but differ on the focus of that spending.

"Not every 911 call requires a law enforcement intervention. We need to add mental health and addiction professionals to the teams so that when somebody is suffering from a crisis, there is a professional on staff who can lead the interven-



The national discussion of police conduct and race equity has been taken up by Dirksen and Londrigan, but there are no sharp edges of disagreement.. PHOTOS BY RACHEL OTWELL AND BRANDON TURLEY

tion," Dirksen Londrigan said. "I've talked to sheriffs around the district and they have many people in their jails who are suffering from a mental health or addiction crisis, and that's not what they are trained to deal with."

Dirksen Londrigan said police chokeholds need to be banned nationwide, like they are in Illinois, and additional de-escalation training provided for law enforcement officers. She also said the issue of racism must be addressed head-on.

"Racism has to be rooted out, but not just in law enforcement. What people recognized this summer is that systemic racism has tentacles in all of our sys-

tems," Dirksen Londrigan said. "Yes, it is in our law enforcement system in the way we treat our Black and brown community members. But yes, it is in the health system as well, and in our education system, and we need to root it out there, too."

Davis supports providing additional funding for law enforcement, both for staffing and training. He has deep respect for law enforcement personnel like the two Capitol Police officers, both Black, who "ran toward gunfire so me and my friends could run off of a baseball field" when a gunman opened fire on a congressional game in June 2017.

"Unfortunately police get painted with a broad brush when a member of the law enforcement community doesn't follow the rules," Davis said. "We have to make sure there is equal treatment. Here in Illinois we've done a great job, Republicans



and Democrats, of implementing training standards for all law enforcement officials. Illinois has gone above and beyond what other states do regarding de-escalation techniques and social justice issues."

Where does Davis stand on the Black Lives Matter movement?

"I believe every single life matters, but groups can be hijacked by people who have their own agenda," Davis said. "Again, painting with a broad brush — people who are bad actors, when really the goal should be that everybody is treated the same. That's what we should all strive for."

Davis pointed to his support for listing Spring-

field Race Riot sites with the National Park Service's African American Civil Rights Network.

"We need to study what Abraham Lincoln has meant to race relations in this country," Davis said. "Can we get better? Absolutely. But not at the expense of tearing down the greatest country in the history of the world."

Health care

Congressman Davis thinks the Affordable Care Act is broken and needs to be replaced.

"I want to create a system that's going to lower the cost of health care, because we have 60 million Americans that still don't have coverage or they have coverage that they can't afford to use if they are diagnosed," Davis said.

Davis voted for the American Health Care Act, the unsuccessful legislation that would have repealed and replaced the Affordable Care Act.

"It's a bill that clearly would have protected the preexisting condition coverage that I support," Davis said. "Preexisting conditions exist in my own family."

The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office noted that the American Health Care Act would have altered the rules regarding coverage for pre-existing conditions, and would have increased the number of uninsured people by 23 million over 10 years. But Davis said it would have been preferable to the status quo or to the alternative posited by the Democrats.

"The solution isn't supporting a program like Medicare X or Medicare for All," Davis said. "Medicare X would destroy rural health care in America."

"If you take away the Affordable Care Act, that expansion money goes along with it," Dirksen Londrigan said. "We need to make sure rural hospitals have what they need, including the expansion of broadband so they can take more advantage of telehealth."

Dirksen Londrigan supports the Democratic proposal to allow Medicare to negotiate directly with pharmaceutical companies for lower drug prices. She said that the 282,000 people with preexisting health conditions in District 13 must be taken into account in any debate over health care coverage.

"We have to protect the Affordable Care Act and all of the essential health benefits that go along with it," Dirksen Londrigan said. "We need to strengthen it and build on it. It was supposed to be a first step, and I know it doesn't work for everyone. So fixing the parts that are broken is something that I can't wait to do."

COVID Response

Both candidates feel the United States' response to the COVID-19 pandemic could have been better.

"The president, in his own words, admitted that he knew about this virus in early February, he knew it was deadly, he knew it was airborne, and then he stood in front of the American people and lied about it repeatedly," Dirksen Londrigan said. "He didn't even attempt to have a plan to address it. That is

shocking.”

Dirksen Londrigan pointed to the University of Illinois’ innovative saliva-based COVID testing as an example of using science and the nation’s best minds to address pandemic challenges. She said testing efforts need to be stepped up, unemployment insurance extended, Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan funds increased, and that some PPP loans should be converted to grants.

“We want those local businesses to come out on the other side of this,” Dirksen Londrigan said. “And if we want that, we have to support them through this.”

Davis characterized the initial U.S. COVID response as “a bipartisan failure to adapt that we can’t have happen again.”

“What we are doing right is fixing the problems that existed before COVID came on the scene,” Davis said. “So knowing what we did wrong in the beginning in a bipartisan way, not blaming one party or the other, is how we solve the problems of a future pandemic that we now know will hit us.”

Davis supports additional COVID antibody testing, which he feels is a more accurate way of determining who has had exposure to the virus and would better gauge which mitigation factors are working. Davis also pointed to an initiative he supported that may help debt-ridden college graduates during the pandemic, a program that allows employers to pay down, tax-free to the employee, a graduate’s student debt in the same way that employers now do for tuition reimbursement.

“This is a very big deal for students who are graduating with too much debt” especially during the pandemic, Davis said. “The employer is incentivized to do this by a tax credit.”

Voting by mail

Davis and Dirksen Londrigan both think Illinois is a model for voting by mail that other states would be wise to emulate in November.

“Here in Illinois, when we say vote by mail, we mean you are going to get an application mailed to you automatically to request a ballot,” Davis said. “But what many other states allow is mailing live ballots to every registered voter. That is a process that is ripe for corruption.”

“The Democrats I serve with argue that the percentage of fraud is miniscule,” Davis said. “But I won one race by 1,000 votes and another by 2,000 votes, so every vote counts.”

Dirksen Londrigan said voting by mail is a pandemic necessity.

“People should not have to risk their own personal safety to vote in person when they can vote by mail,” Dirksen Londrigan said. “It’s really disturbing that we have a president who is purposely trying to undermine voting by mail in the United States.”

No more 13th District?

The 13th Congressional District crosses 14 counties in both urban and rural areas of central and south-

western Illinois. Illinois’ declining population may determine if that district is recognizable, or will even exist, in 2022.

“We are probably going to lose a congressional seat in Illinois and it’s probably going to come out of downstate,” said Kent Redfield, professor emeritus of political science at University of Illinois Springfield. “The winner of the 13th might not have a district to run in two years from now.”

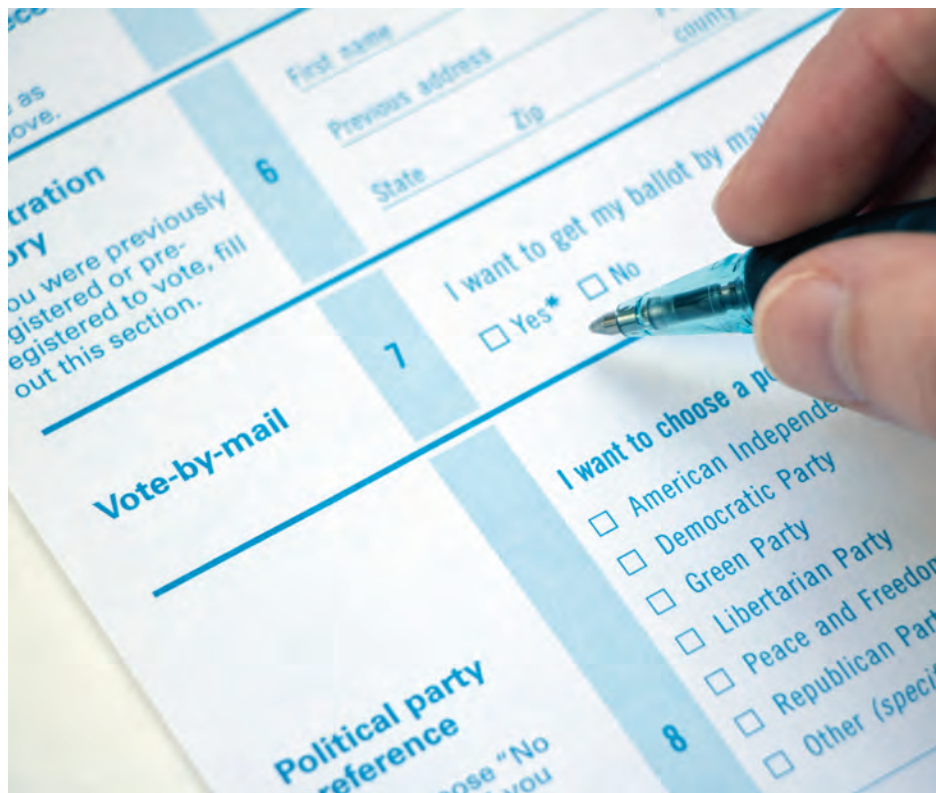
Redfield said the 13th District race is of national significance both in terms of the stakes and the money coming in for the candidates. The most recent campaign finance report available by press time was filed in early July, and Redfield said it showed more corporate donations on Davis’ side and more individual donations for Londrigan. The same race two years ago saw \$13 million in spending, and

Davis reported \$2.89 million.

The Dirksen Londrigan campaign has gone to great lengths to link Davis to President Donald Trump, while Davis’ campaign seeks to align Dirksen Londrigan with Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan, who is also the state Democratic Party chairman.

“If you’re a Republican you’re going to hope that Biden collapses and Trump looks really strong, and the anti-Madigan message and the progressive income tax referendum is going to drive turnout,” Redfield said. “If you’re Dirksen Londrigan you’re hoping the race will be indirectly about Trump.”

COVID may also greatly influence the outcome of the 13th District contest. The district includes universities in Normal, Urbana-Champaign, Springfield and Edwardsville, and the pandemic will determine



Both candidates say Illinois is a model for voting by mail that other states would be wise to emulate.

Redfield sees no reason why it won’t be at least as expensive this time.

“You’re not generating \$13 million worth of expenditures in the 13th District by small donors who live inside the district,” Redfield said. “This is a shot for the national Democrats to pick up a seat. If the Republicans can’t hold onto Davis, then that’s a sign of big trouble. And Londrigan came ever so close to breaking through as a downstate Democrat the last time in a district that leans Republican.”

In the required Federal Election Commission July 1 quarterly report, the Dirksen Londrigan campaign showed \$2.88 million in contributions, while

where students at those universities cast their votes.

“If you don’t have the students on campus, then you’re not doing the organizing and voter registration, and the freshmen may or may not be registered where they go to school,” Redfield said. “Two years ago the one county that Dirksen Londrigan carried decisively was Champaign. That has to give the Dirksen Londrigan people some concern in terms of trying to duplicate what they did two years ago.”

The candidates

Dirksen Londrigan, 49, is a Springfield native who graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana-

Champaign, taught middle school and built an alumni program at University of Illinois Springfield. She was self-employed as a writer, editor and graphic artist before she joined the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library Foundation in 2009 and worked there until announcing her congressional candidacy in 2017.

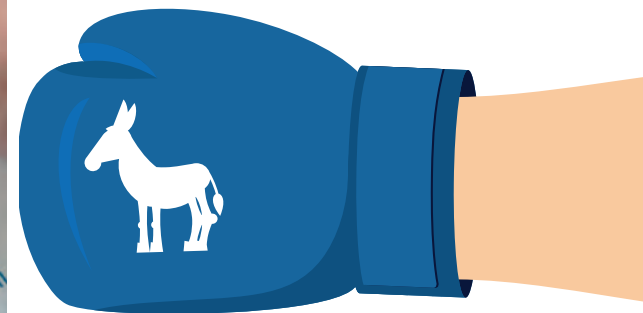
Dirksen Londrigan and her husband have two sons and a daughter.

“I’m not a first-time candidate, which helps. People know me, they know why I’m in this race, my whole life is invested here,” Dirksen Londrigan said. “Nationally, people have recognized our race in central Illinois as a number one opportunity to flip the seat from red to blue.”

What does Dirksen Londrigan admire most about her opponent, Davis? “He is a dedicated family man. He is devoted to his family and I admire that,” she said.

Davis admires Dirksen Londrigan’s “tenacity and desire to serve people in central Illinois by coming back from a loss in the last congressional election.”

Davis, 50, was born in Des Moines, Iowa, and has lived in Taylorville since age seven. He majored in political science at Millikin University and in 1996 joined Congressman John Shimkus’ staff. In 2012, Davis was elected to the first of his four terms



as 13th District Congressman.

Davis and his wife have a daughter and two sons.

“When I was first elected in 2012 I told voters I would go to Washington and take a bipartisan approach,” Davis said. “I am the 13th most bipartisan member of Congress out of 435 members, according to the Lugar Center.”

Whatever the outcome, Davis is confident that local media like *Illinois Times* will do justice to the issues in their campaign coverage.

“We underestimate the opportunity that traditional news sources still have within the electorate,” Davis said. “I trust a lot of local media, but I do believe there has become a bias in the 24-hour news cycle from both sides. Now that everybody has a camera on their phone and is on social media, these instances get called out more.” □

David Blanchette is a freelance writer and photographer from Jacksonville. He is a regular contributor to Illinois Times.

The magic of brown butter

Simple to make, exciting to taste

FOOD | Ashley Meyer

Brown butter is a magical thing. It's devastatingly simple to make and transforms everything from cookies to chicken to boxed macaroni and cheese. It's often thought of as a classic French ingredient, and indeed the late Julia Child, who helped to make French cooking accessible to American home cooks, was known for her love of beautifully browned butter. In her memoir, *My Life in France*, she recalls the first meal she had upon entering the country: Dover sole, served whole and "perfectly browned in a sputtering butter sauce," and declared it "the most exciting meal of my life." Widespread as it is in Gallic cuisine, clarified brown butter, or ghee, is also a staple in Indian cooking. Preparing ghee is an ancient technique that makes perishable butter shelf-stable and some believe it's more healthful than regular butter. Used as a general cooking fat, melted ghee is often served at the table as well to be drizzled over rice and chapatis (homemade whole wheat flatbread).

Browned butter is simple to make, but it does require attention and a bit of patience, especially if you're making a large amount. Use a heavy-bottomed pan, ideally one with shorter sides like a skillet rather than a deep pot to help facilitate evaporation. Essentially you want to slowly cook the butter until the water content of the butter has bubbled away which then will allow the milk solids to caramelize. A lighter pan is preferable as it will allow you to more easily track the progress of the browning butter as it darkens. Be sure to have handy a heatproof spatula or spoon because it will get quite hot, and be prepared for the next step in your recipe when the butter is finished. The key to deeply flavored brown butter is to let the solid brown specks to get golden brown without burning them. When it is the perfect color of brown you need to act quickly and either transfer the butter to a heatproof container to cool (Metal is best. Tempered glass like Pyrex shouldn't break but it happens.) or be ready to add your other ingredients to the pan to cool things down and keep the butter from scorching. Chefs call this *mis en place*, meaning everything in its place. It's an important principle in good cooking.

Cut the butter into cubes and melt them in a pan over medium high heat, stirring occasionally. Once the butter has melted it will begin to sputter and pop as the water evaporates. Creamy foam will collect at the top,

and then larger bubbles will form and push the foam away toward the sides of the pan. Use your heatproof spatula throughout this process to help scrape up the solids and let them brown evenly. Once the butter has stopped popping and sputtering, it will foam up again, and you should begin to see dark specks bubbling up from the bottom of the pan. At this point it's up to you when it's done. Browned butter can range from pale golden to deep mahogany, but it's critical to pull it before the brown specks turn black and the pan starts smoking.

Once the butter is done you can transfer it to another container to cool, or you can continue on with your recipe, taking advantage of the super hot fat to sear other ingredients, like chopped veggies or protein. My husband and I often enjoy date night at home and seared scallops in brown butter are one of our favorite indulgences. After a quick flash in a pan with sizzling brown butter, scallops require nothing more than a squeeze of lemon and shower of chopped parsley to finish. Illinois is one of the top winter squash producers in the nation, and there is arguably no better accompaniment to the myriad of varieties available on farm stands than browned butter and sage. And when it comes to autumn baking, nothing pairs better with crisp apples, juicy pears and warm spices than the flavor of nutty brown butter.

Brown Butter Pumpkin Muffins

For muffin batter:

- 1 cup butter (two sticks), divided
- 2 cups flour (white, whole wheat or gluten-free flours all work well)
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 ½ teaspoons kosher salt (1 teaspoon regular salt)
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon ground cardamom or nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon ground turmeric
- ¼ teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1 tablespoon freshly grated ginger, or use 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 15 oz can pumpkin purée (*not* pumpkin pie filling)
- 3 large eggs
- 1 ½ cup brown sugar
- ½ cup toasted pepitas or chopped nuts (optional)



Tiny dark specks of brown butter flavor both the batter and toothsome streusel and pumpkin seed topping in these autumn spiced muffins. PHOTOS BY ASHLEY MEYER

For streusel topping

- Remaining butter from above
- 1 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ cup brown sugar
- A pinch of salt
- ½ cup pepitas or chopped nuts (optional)

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Brown the butter in a pan over medium heat and set aside. Line muffin tins with papers or spray with cooking spray. This recipe makes 18 standard-size or 12 jumbo muffins.

In a medium bowl whisk together flour, baking powder and soda, salt and dry spices. In a mixing bowl combine the grated ginger, pumpkin, eggs and brown sugar and whisk

together until smooth. Gently fold in dry ingredients followed by half of the brown butter (1/2 cup) and pepitas or nuts, if using. Divide the batter among the prepared pans.

Now make the streusel. Combine the dry ingredients with the remaining browned butter and mix well to create a crumbly mixture. Liberally sprinkle the streusel over the top of the muffin batter, patting it down very lightly. Bake for 20-25 minutes, depending on muffin size. □

Ashley Meyer is a Springfield native who encourages everyone to keep buying local this fall. There is still loads of beautiful produce available at the Old Capitol Farmers Market through the end of October, and local farmstands like Suttill's Garden, Jefferies Orchard and the Apple Barn are open through Thanksgiving.

Subversive *Spontaneous* one of year's best

FILM | Chuck Koplinski

Something is seriously wrong at Covington High School. Students are exploding. Yes, blowing up. There's no rhyme or reason to it. It could be any of the teens who run the halls in the school. One second, you're taking notes in World History, the next, your brains are splattered all over your best friend, blood is dripping from the ceiling and your classmates are in a panic.

Mara is a nervous wreck, and who can blame her? The only things she should be concerned about is getting a date for prom and figuring out where she wants to go to college. Instead, she spends her days on edge, wondering if one of her friends or her new crush may be the next to go "pop." Even worse, it could be her. You never know...

Spontaneous, Brian Duffield's adaptation of the novel by Aaron Starmer, is the most audacious, subversive piece of popular filmmaking of 2020, a movie that blindsides you with how intelligent it is as it sneaks its timely message of defiance into what appears to be a standard, albeit dark, teen comedy. Funny, shocking and bold, this feature ultimately reveals itself to be a primal scream uttered on behalf of Generation Z in response to the horrific world they've inherited.

Duffield masterfully manipulates the viewer throughout, lulling us into a false sense of security after seeing poor Caitlin explode in her science class. After recovering from the initial shock, the film adapts the typical beats of a teen comedy as we see our heroine Mara (Katherine Langford) attempt to deal with what passes today for teen angst. She discusses her ever-changing plans for the future with her best friend, Tess (Hayley Law), and tolerates her peers who aren't nearly as smart as she is, yet amuse her all the same. And much to her surprise, she winds up with a boyfriend. Having come to the conclusion that life is too short for regrets after seeing one of his classmates blow up, Dylan (Charlie Plummer) tells Mara he's been attracted to her for quite some time. They decide to see where it leads, make plans for prom and...then a few of their classmates explode at a party.

The chemistry between Langford and Plummer is seductive, as we become so completely wrapped up in their charming love affair that we forget the darkly comic way in which the film began. So, when their peers begin to randomly die it comes as a



Katherine Langford as Mara.

brutal shock, which is precisely the point. The very fact that we live in a world where the possibility, slim though it may be, exists that on any given morning when we send our kids to school, we may never see them again because a random madman may slaughter them, is a perverse proposition. That it is allowed to continue is obscene and immoral.

So it comes as no surprise that Mara loses direction as her friends randomly die, that she gives up on her studies, abandons her friends and begins to display self-destructive behavior. It's a logical response to the insanity that surrounds her. Yet, what makes her a hero for these times and well worth emulating is that while she flirts with nihilism, ultimately, she looks the world in the face and defiantly declares she will live her life to the fullest, despite its violent, unjust nature. Mara is uncowed in the face of annihilation, a symbol of rebellion this lost generation deserves. *Spontaneous* is a vital work as it provides Generation Z with a playbook as to how to live in a mad world they never asked for and do it with sense of grace and purpose that puts us to shame. □

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Music-tober time

NOW PLAYING | Tom Irwin

Welcome to October 2020 and all the fine, frivolous, fractious, fun, fantastic and phenomenal things it may or may not have to offer you and yours. But whatever the case, we've still got live music happening at outdoor venues as we await seasonal weather and the inevitable slowing down of music being made.

On the recorded side of things, there's good news to report and congratulations to extend in the blues genre. Recently, as in a few weeks ago, the Mary Jo Curry Band garnered enough fan votes to receive the Sean Costello Rising Star Award for 2020 from *Blues Blast Magazine*, a nationally known and respected blues periodical. That's a big deal, folks, and earlier in the year, Mary Jo's latest release, *Front Porch*, landed high up on several blues charts, including the prestigious Roots Music Report.

Hurricane Ruth, the Beardstown native and lifelong, performing songwriter and entertainer, continues to take the blues world by storm. Her latest release, *Good Life*, just had a single, "What You Never Had," placed on the Sirius XM, BB King's Bluesville, Rack of Blues show last Saturday, sandwiched between an Elvin Bishop/Charlie Musslewhite collaboration and a Joe Bonamassa tune on the playlist. The album has also been hanging around on the Billboard blues charts for several weeks sitting pretty right there along with plenty of top shelf blues artists.

And while we're at it with blues news, our resident, internationally acclaimed, touring (well, used to be and will be again, post-pandemic) blues artist extraordinaire, Mr. James Armstrong, plays the Curve Inn on Thursday, Oct. 1. James, normally out touring Europe and America for most of the year, has been busy producing a powerful song about our current cultural times called "Rise Up Resist," released in August 2020. The politically potent tune, written by Bob Trenchard, found its way to Armstrong, who took over production duties and while adding his signature guitar, included top-notch Chicago musicians, plus vocalists Annika Chambers and Derrick Procell, to create the track. Deb Antoine, in making a video, synced in newsreel footage and other photos, current and historic, to fit the theme of the song, now available on YouTube by looking up Rise Up Resist or going to James' Facebook page.

Our acoustic duo friends, Jim Chase and Kit Jones, perform in public as Jones &



Jones & Chase play Friday at Copperheads in Pawnee and Sunday at It's All About Wine.

Chase and look to be in for a busy weekend of making music. Catch the two friends and music mates at Copperheads in Pawnee on Friday (7-10 p.m.) and again on Sunday at It's All About Wine (3-6 p.m.) playing some songs you know and probably some you don't, all done with finely tuned musicianship coming from decades of doing music in some form or another. Kit does double duty with a Sunday morning show (10 a.m.) at Motorheads to warm up for the afternoon gig.

And speaking of Sunday, this one looks to be quite fortified with a fine selection of acoustic music choices happening all afternoon and into the evening. Gracia Harrison graces the patio stage at Long Bridge with her own style and grace (2-5 p.m.), while Wowie Zowie zooms into Locals in Pawnee (2-5 p.m.) with some classic 70s songs, just as Tom & Geoff drop into 3Sixteen in Chatham (4-7 p.m.) for some acoustic versions of Dylan, Petty and TB originals.

Heading into Monday, we get to go back to the blues with our longtime Champaign pals, the Blues Deacons, as Billy Galt and company roll into the Alamo for a Blue Monday. Be sure to check our Live Music listings for much more live music. See you next week. Please be careful and stay safe. □

LIVE MUSIC



Gabe Marshall
Saturday, Oct. 3,
6:30 p.m.
Route 66
Motorheads

BAND SPOTLIGHT | Gabe Marshall

it This Jacksonville native takes his music work seriously, whether writing songs, performing live, promoting his career or doing whatever it takes to make it in the business. Gabe Marshall composes material, plays guitar and sings, does solo and duo shows, plus brings out the full band when the time and place is right. He packed up and moved to Nashville, Tennessee, back in 2012 after years of performing in the Midwest and releasing his first album, *Where I've Been*. Working with his dad, writing and playing, they did lots of good stuff to get Gabe headed to the town where big deals happen. During his Nashville time, the hard-working musician plays writers' nights, hits the honky-tonks, does a regular 5 p.m. Wednesday Facebook Live show and almost always plays his popular song Fireball, adding his husky, countryside, growling, emotive voice to each song he sings. Gabe continues to work the ways of getting there with *Do My Thang*, released in January 2020 and the *Fireball* EP set to come out this November.

Saturday Oct 3

The Holdouts

Boar's Nest, Athens, 6-9pm

Jambalaya Jazz with Frank Parker

Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

Blacktop South

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

it Lick Creek

The Curve Inn, 6pm

Harmony Deep

Lime Street Cafe, 8-11:30pm

Ben Morgan

Locals Bar, Pawnee, 5-8pm

Gabe Marshall

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

Broken Stone

The Stadium Bar and Grill, 6-10pm

RockHouse

Third Base Sports Bar, 9pm-1am

Sunday Oct 4

Wowie Wowie

Locals Bar, Pawnee, 2-5pm

Tom Beverly and Geoff Ryan

3Sixteen Wine Bar, Chatham, 4-7pm

Jones and Chase

It's All About Wine, 3-6pm

Gracia Harrison

Long Bridge Golf Course, 2-5pm

Kit Jones Acoustic

Route 66 Motorheads Bar, Grill and Museum,
10am

Mike Burnett and the After Suns

Route 66 Motorheads Bar, Grill and Museum,
2-5pm

Monday Oct 5

Blues Deacons

The Alamo, 7pm

Tuesday Oct 6

Tom's Turtle Tank Tuesdays

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Open jam with Geoff Ryan

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Wednesday Oct 7

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Johnnie Owens

Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7:30-10pm

it Jones and Chase

Copperheads, Pawnee, 7-10pm

Gracia Harrison

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

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3's Company

Locals Bar, Pawnee, 6-9pm

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HISTORY | Pre-history to the 21st century

it The 22nd annual Conference on Illinois History, hosted by the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum (ALPLM), will be online this year. Jacob K. Friefeld, Illinois and Midwest studies historian at the ALPLM, will open the conference. Scholars from across the U.S. will present 20 sessions on some fascinating subjects, such as the culture and legacy of Native Americans, the politics of art and performance and antebellum Illinois. The conference includes plenary sessions led by Cinnamon Catlin-Legutko, director of the Illinois State Museum, and Kristin Hoganson, author of *The Heartland: An American History*. Multiple sessions offering professional development credits for teachers are also scheduled. The conference is free, however donations are welcome. To register for the Zoom link and to get the full conference schedule, call or visit www2.illinois.gov/alplm/library and click on Programs and Exhibits.

of history and humor. A live broadcast on the Looking for Lincoln Facebook page and Youtube channel. 217-725-2396.

Tales from the Vault: Rare Books

Thu., Oct. 1, 7-8pm. Join the library's reference librarian, Meghan Harmon, as she highlights some of her favorite treasures from the library's rare book collection. Find the event on the Facebook page. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library, 112 N. Sixth St., 217-588-8844.

Faith & Philosophy

The Wisdom Pattern: Order, Disorder and Reorder

Thursdays, 2pm. This book study group will meet for several weeks to try to make sense of the age we are living in, consider our institutions and how we can individually and collectively find transformation. Get the Zoom link by emailing info@chiaracenter.org. 217-523-0109.

Holiday Happenings

Haunted Woods of Creek Hill

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Fairs & Festivals

Boo Bark Party

Sat., Oct. 3, 11am-2pm. Pet-related vendors, kid's activities, pumpkin painting, demonstrations and a canine costume contest. The event is subject to change due to public health guidelines. apl-shelter.org. Stuart Park, Winch Lane (north of Jefferson), 217-544-7387.

Fundraisers

Empower through the Ballot

A virtual fundraiser for the Springfield and Central Illinois African American History Museum. For more information, visit the website at spiaahm.org or call 217-638-5755 or 217-726-5498.

Outdoor Fall Market

Sat., Oct. 3, 8am-4pm. Everything from art and craft items made

by local artisans to standard flea market treasures. Social distancing is required at all times as is wearing a face covering with the mouth and nose fully covered. Free admission. Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 745 Woodside Road, 217-585-9550.

Sanga-Run 45-Mile Challenge

Walk or run 45 miles in October to support the Junior League's mission of addressing food insecurity in Springfield. This virtual event encourages you to walk or run at least 1.5 miles per day during the month of October. Registration ends Sept. 25. \$30. 217-544-5557.

Children's Corner

Meet the Candy-Dates: An election event for kids

Sat., Oct. 3, 10am-1pm. Kids will get to sample two types of nut-free candy, then go into a kid-sized voting booth to cast their ballots for their favorite. Participants will take home a craft kit to make their own I Voted! badge. chathamlib.org. Free. Chatham Area Public Library, Chatham, 600 E. Spruce, 217-483-2713.

October Online Super Saturday

Oct. 2-4. Monthly themed activities for children and their families. Check out the activities from past events and reserve a kit for our next online program. Visit the Illinois State Museum's Facebook page for more info. Free. 706-207-7836.

Lectures & Meetings

What I Learned Teaching in a Prison

Assistant professor Magic Wade reflects upon her experiences teaching in a prison and shares her thoughts on expanding educational opportunities to incarcerated individuals. Part of the UIS ECCE Speaker Series. Available on demand at uis.edu/speakerseries. 217-206-8404.

Bulletin Board

Common scams and the best practices to avoid them

Mon., Oct. 5, 6:30-7:30pm. Marsha Griffin of the Illinois Attorney General's office will discuss the most common scams targeting Illinois residents. Via Zoom. Visit the events page at chathamlib.org. 217-483-2713.

Free career support

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Legal assistance for seniors

The first Wednesday of every month seniors can get assistance with a will, power of attorney and other legal needs. Libre McNeese of Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance is taking appointments that last about 30 minutes. COVID guidelines will be followed. Donations are appreciated. Senior Services of Central Illinois, 701 W. Mason St., 217-528-4035.

Understanding and responding to dementia-related behavior

Tue., Oct. 6, 10:30am-12pm. Learn to decode behavioral messages, identify common behavior triggers and learn strategies to help intervene with some of the most common behavioral challenges of Alzheimer's disease. alz.org. Free. Registration required online or by phone. 1-800-272-3900.

Health

Walk to end Alzheimer's

Sat., Oct. 3, 9:30am. Watch the Opening and Promise Garden Ceremony, then take a walk in your neighborhood. You can also download an app to track your steps. Hosted by the Alzheimer's Association. alz.org. 217-801-9352.

Sports & Fitness

Full Moon Trail Run

Oct. 2-4, 7am-8pm. A semi-virtual running and walking event. The 3.0-mile route will be marked and available anytime throughout the weekend. No entry fee but donations are accepted to help with park expenses. Registration and more information are available at GetMeRegistered.com. Lewis Memorial Acres, 399 S. Koke Mill Road, 217-341-1785.

Let's Get Fit

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 9-10am. Online exercise classes for individuals 50+ hosted by Senior Services of Central Illinois. Via Zoom. Contact Justin Yuroff at 217-528-4035 for more information and to register for the Zoom link.

THE CALENDAR

Send us your events! Deadline: 5pm Fri. Submit online at: www.illinoistimes.com. Email: calendar@illinoistimes.com Dates, times and locations are subject to last-minute changes, so we suggest calling before attending events.

Special Music Events

Something Old, Something New - trombone recital

Sat., Oct. 3, 7:30pm. UIS low brass instructor and band director Bill Mitchell kicks off the virtual UIS Faculty Recital Series with a tenor trombone recital. Visit uis.edu/music for the event link. 217-206-6240.

Sunday at Six Recital Series

Sun., Oct. 4, 6pm. With the Illinois Symphony Orchestra. Featuring Trombone Ensemble Kevin Dombroski, John Grodrian and Stephen Lecik and followed

by a Coda Conversation with music director Ken Lam and the evening's musicians. Watch on the YouTube channel or on the Facebook page. 217-522-2838.

Theater & Comedy

Donnie B's Comedy Open Mic Night

Wed., Oct. 7, 6:30pm. Sign up between 6:30-7 p.m. for your five-minute shot at comedy fame. VFW Post #755, 2211 Old Jacksonville Rd., 217-546-9515.

Art & Architecture

Canvas & Cocktails

Fridays, 6-8pm. This week's theme is Breakfast. Led by Erin Svendsen and Ashlynn Frey. Class size will be limited and socially distanced. Masks are required for the duration of the class. Advance registration is required. springfieldart.org. Springfield Art Association, 700 N. Fourth St.,

217-523-2631.

Sangamon Watercolor Society Member Exhibition

Oct. 1-31. An annual display of the work of some of the area's most talented watercolor artists. Free. M.G. Nelson Family Gallery, 700 N. Fourth Street, 523-2631.

History

Conference on Illinois History

Oct. 5-9. Multiple sessions including archaeology at Cahokia Mounds, the experiences of WWII Jewish military personnel, racist white mob violence and recent reconciliation efforts and the Illinois monument at the Vicksburg battle site. Call for more information. Free and open to the public. 217-558-0128.

Lincoln Tales, Tall and True

Wed., Oct. 7, 7pm. This story traces Lincoln's rise from prairie state rail-splitter to America's favorite president, with a blend



UIS Music Program Upcoming Virtual Events

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Something Old, Something New

Faculty Trombone Recital, William Mitchell
Saturday, October 3, 7:30 p.m.

Options for the 21st-Century Musician

Lecture by Maestro Logan Campbell
Thursday, October 8, 6 p.m.

The Unaccompanied Clarinet

Faculty Clarinet Recital, Evelyn Moria Tunison
Saturday, October 10, 7:30 p.m.

Black Classical Composers

Lecture by Violinist Chenoa Alamu
Thursday, October 22, 6 p.m.

Virtual Flute Masterclass

UIS Faculty Flutist, Amanda Pond
Open to UIS and Community Flutists
Sunday, November 1, 3 p.m.

Virtual Cello Masterclass

UIS Cello Faculty, Jun Seo
Open to UIS and Community Cellists
Sunday, November 7, 3 p.m.

Opportunities for Community Musicians

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8th Annual UIS Music Solo Competition

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Real Estate Foreclosure

20-092980
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD,
ILLINOIS
MIDFIRST BANK, PLAINTIFF;
-vs-
NORMAN T. WALKER; LORI K. WALKER;
UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD
CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS,
DEFENDANTS
NO. 20 CH 33
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Public Notice is hereby given that pursu-
ant to a Judgment entered in the above
entitled matter on August 19, 2020;
Jack L Campbell, Sheriff, #1 Sheriff's
Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701, will on Oc-
tober 20, 2020 at 9:00 AM, at Sangamon
County Building, Sangamon County Board
Room, 2nd Floor, 200 South 9th Street
Springfield, IL 62701, sell to the highest
bidder for ten percent (10%) at the time
of sale and the balance within twenty-four
(24) hours, the following described prem-
ises situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.
Said sale shall be subject to general
taxes, special assessments or special
taxes levied against said real estate
and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages.
The subject property is offered for sale
without any representation as to quality or
quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff and
in "AS IS" condition.

Upon the sale being held and the
purchaser tendering said bid in certified
funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued
and/or a Certificate of Sale as required,
which will entitle the purchaser to a
deed upon confirmation of said sale by
the Court.
Commonly known as 312 East Main
Street, Thayer, IL 62689
Permanent Index No.: 34-33-0-228-006
Improvements: Single Family
Residential

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

The judgment amount was \$14,244.40.
Prospective purchasers are admonished
to check the court file and title records to
verify this information. IF YOU ARE THE
MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE
THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION
FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER
OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH
SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE ILLINOIS
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For Bid Amount contact:

Sale Clerk
Shapiro Kreisman & Associates, LLC
2121 Waukegan Road, Suite 301
Bannockburn, IL 60015
ILNOTICES@logs.com
(847) 291-1717
MidFirst Bank
One of Plaintiff's Attorneys
Shapiro Kreisman & Associates, LLC
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COLLECT THE DISCHARGED PERSONAL
OBLIGATION.
20CH33

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF SANGAMON - SPRINGFIELD,
ILLINOIS
PNC BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION;
Plaintiff,
vs.
CYNTHIA SUTHERIN, AS SPECIAL REPRE-
SENTATIVE
FOR THOMAS E. SCHAFER; NIKI SCHAFER;
SAMANTHA SCHAFER; KYM TRUGLIO;
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF
THOMAS E. SCHAFER, IF ANY; UNKNOWN
OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS;
Defendants,
18 CH 310
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that
pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure
entered in the above entitled cause
Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will
on Wednesday, October 28, 2020, at the
hour of 9:00 a.m. in Harvatin Law Office,
1100 South Fifth Street, Springfield, Il-
linois 62703, sell to the highest bidder for
cash, the following described mortgaged
real estate:
P.I.N. 22-06-105-002.
Commonly known as 160 EXMORE DR.,
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704.

The improvement on the property consists
of a single family residence. If the subject
mortgaged real estate is a unit of a com-
mon interest community, the purchaser of
the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay
the assessments required by subsection
(g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium
Property Act.
Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds,
balance within 24 hours, by certified
funds. No refunds. The property will NOT
be open for inspection.

For information call Mr. Edgar J. Ortega at
Plaintiff's Attorney, Marinosci Law Group,
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Illinois 60602. (312) 940-8580.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
Plaintiff,
-v.-
JASON D. VOYLES, CHRISTINA M. VOYLES,
Defendant
19 CH 358
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure
and Sale entered in the above cause
on January 15, 2020, an agent for The
Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00
PM on October 15, 2020, at the Do Realty
Services, 600 S 6th Street, SPRINGFIELD,
IL, 62701, sell at a public sale to the
highest bidder, as set forth below, the
following described real estate:
Commonly known as 1907 N. 10TH ST.,
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702
Property Index No. 14-22.0-252-019 fka
14-22-252-019

The real estate is improved with a single
family residence.

The judgment amount was \$45,081.20.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest
bid by certified funds at the close of
the sale payable to The Judicial Sales
Corporation. No third party checks will

be accepted. The balance, including
the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned
Residential Property Municipality Relief
Fund, which is calculated on residential
real estate at the rate of \$1 for each
\$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount
paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300,
in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due
within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee
shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring
the residential real estate pursuant
to its credit bid at the sale or by any
mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other
lienor acquiring the residential real estate
whose rights in and to the residential real
estate arose prior to the sale. The subject
property is subject to general real estate
taxes, special assessments, or special
taxes levied against said real estate and
is offered for sale without any 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.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid,
the purchaser will receive a Certificate of
Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a
deed to the real estate after confirmation
of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspec-
tion and plaintiff makes no representation
as to the condition of the property. Pro-
spective bidders are admonished to check
the court file to verify all information.
If this property is a condominium unit, the
purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure
sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay
the assessments and the legal fees
required by The Condominium Property
Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If
this property is a condominium unit
which is part of a common interest com-
munity, the purchaser of the unit at the
foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee
shall pay the assessments required by
The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS
605/18.5(g-1).
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-
OWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO
REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS
AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSES-
SION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION
15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE LAW.

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passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into
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where The Judicial Sales Corporation
conducts foreclosure sales.

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

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Attorney File No. 393474

Case Number: 19 CH 358

TJSC#: 40-1980

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collec-
tion Practices Act, you are advised that
Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt
collector attempting to collect a debt and
any information obtained will be used for
that purpose.
19CH358

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

TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2017-3,
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS
INDENTURE TRUSTEE, Plaintiff(s),
vs.
GREGORY A. HIBBLER, UNKNOWN OWN-
ERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendant(s).

Case No. 19 CH 303

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE FORECLO-
SURE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant
to a Judgment heretofore entered by the
said Court in the above entitled cause, the
Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois, will
on October 13, 2020, at the hour of 9:00
AM, at the COUNTY BOARD CHAMBER,
2ND FLOOR, SANGAMON COUNTY COM-
PLEX, 200 S. 9TH STREET, SPRINGFIELD,
IL 62701, sell at public auction to the
highest and best bidder for cash, all and
singular, the following described premises
and real estate in the said Judgment
mentioned, situated in the County of
Sangamon, State of Illinois, or so much
thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy
said Judgment, to wit:

Common Address: 1320 EAST CAPITOL
AVENUE, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703
P.I.N. 14-34.0-277-021 a/k/a 14-34-
277-021

Contact the Law Office of IRA T. NEVEL,
LLC, 175 North Franklin, Suite 201,
Chicago, Illinois 60606, (312) 357-1125,
for further information.

The terms of the sale are: Ten percent
(10%) due by cash or certified funds at
the time of the sale and balance is due
within 24 hours of the sale. The subject
property is subject to real estate taxes,
special assessments or special taxes
levied against said real estate and is
offered for sale without any representa-
tion as to quality or quantity of title and
without recourse to Plaintiff and in "as is"
condition. The sale is further subject to
confirmation by the Court.

The property is improved by a Single
Family Residence, together with all build-
ings and improvements thereon, and the
tenements, hereditaments and appurte-
nants thereunto belonging and will not be
available for inspection prior to sale.

If this property is a condominium unit, the
purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure
sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the
assessments and the legal fees required
by The Condominium Property Act, 765
ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property
is a condominium unit which is part of a
common interest community, the pur-
chaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale
other than a mortgagee shall pay the as-
sessments required by The Condominium
Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
LAW OFFICES OF IRA T. NEVEL, LLC
Attorney for Plaintiff

Ira T. Nevel - ARDC #6185808

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NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF ILLINOIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD,
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC,

Plaintiff,
vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF WILBURN LEE SMITH, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF WILBURN LEE SMITH, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF WILBURN LEE SMITH, DECEASED, DONALD SMITH, ROGER LEE SMITH, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, VILLAGE OF CHATHAM and WILLIAM BUTCHER, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF WILBURN LEE SMITH, DECEASED, Defendants.
CASE NO. 19-CH-274
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 533 CUMBERLAND DR CHATHAM, IL 62629
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on September 16, 2020, the following described real estate, to-wit:
Land Situated in the County of Sangamon in the State of IL
Lot 48 in SOUTH WINDS PLAT 2 Situated in SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Permanent Index Number: 28-12.0-151-002
Commonly known as: 533 Cumberland Dr, Chatham, IL 62629
will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on October 27, 2020, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.
The Judgment amount is \$201,468.48.
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted.
The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court.
Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.
The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.
For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 111 East Main Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719
The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which

would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5 (g-1).
If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.
Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC, Plaintiff,
Veronika J. Miles (#6313161), Its Attorney Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC
Veronika J. Miles (#6313161)
HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Attorneys at Law
P.O. Box 740
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19CH274

NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
TOWN AND COUNTRY BANK, Plaintiff, vs.
SHANDIN N. MONGOLD and TOWN AND COUNTRY BANK, Defendants.
CASE NO. 20-CH-35
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 919 N. 6TH STREET SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on September 16, 2020, the following described real estate, to-wit:
THE SOUTH 42 FEET OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 5 IN ROBERT ALLEN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.
EXCEPT ANY INTEREST IN THE COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE LAND WHICH HAVE BEEN HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED IN PRIOR CONVEYANCES, AND ALL RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS, IF ANY.
SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Permanent Index Number: 14-27.0-176-030
Commonly known as: 919 N. 6th Street, Springfield, IL 62702

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on October 27, 2020, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.
The Judgment amount is \$34,902.98.
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted.
The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court.
Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.
The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.
For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 111 East Main Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719
The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of

the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5 (g-1).
If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.
Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
TOWN AND COUNTRY BANK, Plaintiff,
Veronika J. Miles (#6313161), Its Attorney Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC
Veronika J. Miles (#6313161)
HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Attorneys at Law
P.O. Box 740
Decatur, IL 62525
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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE UNDER ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF SANGAMON
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of September, 2020, a Certificate of Ownership of Business was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Sangamon County, stating that:
Troy Rodriguez intend to transact, or are transacting business in Sangamon County, State of Illinois, under the fictitious name to wit:
Renew IT
and that they are the sole owner(s) and proprietor(s) of said business, and the principal place of said business is located at:
714 Deerfield, Chatham, IL 62629

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
ESTATE OF
MARK THOMAS REYNOLDS, Deceased.
No. 2020P000434
CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of Mark Thomas Reynolds, a resident of Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois, who died in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois, on June 25, 2020. Jill Marie Reynolds, whose post office address is 109 Parkway Drive, Chatham, Illinois 62629, was appointed Administrator with the Will Annexed of his estate on September 9, 2020. The attorneys for the Administrator with the Will Annexed are Hart, Southworth & Witsman, One North Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 501, Springfield, Illinois 62701.
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62702, or with the Administrator with the Will Annexed, or both, within 6 months from the date of the first publication of this notice. Any claim not filed before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Administrator with the Will Annexed and to the attorneys within 10 days after it has been filed.
Dated this 11th day of September, 2020.
Timothy J. Rigby (ARDC #6225930)
Kristina B. Mucinskaskas (ARDC #6290296)
Attorneys for Administrator with the Will Annexed
Hart, Southworth & Witsman
One North Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 501
Springfield, Illinois 62701
Telephone: (217) 753-0055
trigby@hswnet.com
kmucinskaskas@hswnet.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
ESTATE OF
BRENDA C. BRAWNER, Deceased.
Case No. 2020-P-487
CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of BRENDA C. BRAWNER. Letters Testamentary were issued on September 16, 2020, to DEANNA K. BRAWNER, 1709 S. State Street, Springfield, IL 62704 as Executor, and whose attorney is JAMES R. ENLOW of GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL, 1231 South Eighth Street, Springfield, IL, 62703.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
ESTATE OF
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Case No. 2020-P-487
CLAIM NOTICE
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Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.
DATED this 18th day of September, 2020.
James R. Enlow (#6199891)
GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL
1231 South Eighth Street
Springfield, IL 62703
Telephone: (217) 522.9010
Facsimile: (217) 522.9020
Email: Jim@gwspc.com
Attorneys for Estate

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the Matter of the Estate of:
Eugene Bowarchuk, Deceased.
No. 2020-P-469
NOTICE TO HEIRS AND NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE
Notice is given of the death of Eugene Bowarchuk, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters Testamentary were issued on September 2, 2020, to Linda Williamson, 157 Bellevue, Springfield, Illinois, 62704, 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 Eugene Bowarchuk of the entry of the Order as set forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring Linda Williamson and David Bowarchuk as the only heirs of Eugene Bowarchuk.
The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 28-4 of the Probate Act, 755 ILCS 5/28-4, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk.
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months of the first day that this Notice is published, and any claim not so filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Sarah Delano Pavlik – 6269250
DELANO LAW OFFICES, LLC
Attorney for Executor
One Southeast Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield, Illinois 62701
Telephone: 217-544-2703
Fax: 217-544-4664
sdpavlik@delanolaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the Matter of the Estate of:
Matthew J. Williams, Deceased.
No. 2020-P-468
NOTICE TO HEIRS AND NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE
Notice is given of the death of Matthew J. Williams, of Pawnee, Illinois. Letters

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Testamentary were issued on September 2, 2020, to Jeffrey M. Williams, 1004 W. Nixon Drive, O'Fallon, Illinois 62269, 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 Matthew J. Williams of the entry of the Order as set forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring Jeffrey M. Williams and Peyton Williams as the only heirs of Matthew J. Williams. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 28-4 of the Probate Act, 755 ILCS 5/28-4, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months of the first day that this Notice is published, and any claim not so filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Paul Palazzolo Clerk of the Circuit Court Sarah Delano Pavlik – 6269250 DELANO LAW OFFICES, LLC Attorney for Executor One Southeast Old State Capitol Plaza Springfield, Illinois 62701 Telephone: 217-544-2703 Fax: 217-544-4664 sdpavlik@delanolaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of: Frank J. Kopecky, III, Deceased. No. 2020-P-371 NOTICE TO HEIRS AND NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE Notice is given of the death of Frank J. Kopecky, III, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters Testamentary were issued on July 29, 2020, to Frank J. Kopecky, IV, 2600 Sage Lane, Springfield, Illinois, 62711, 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 Frank J. Kopecky, III of the entry of the Order as set forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring Linda Kopecky, Frank J. Kopecky, IV, Stephen Kopecky and Christopher Kopecky as the only heirs of Frank J. Kopecky, III. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 28-4 of the Probate Act, 755 ILCS 5/28-4, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months of the first day that this Notice is published, and any claim not so filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Paul Palazzolo Clerk of the Circuit Court Sarah Delano Pavlik – 6269250 DELANO LAW OFFICES, LLC Attorney for Executor One Southeast Old State Capitol Plaza

Springfield, Illinois 62701 Telephone: 217-544-2703 Fax: 217-544-4664 sdpavlik@delanolaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF: Theodore F. Zelinski, Deceased. No.: 2020-P-458 WILL NOTICE AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of Theodore F. Zelinski. Letters of office were issued on August 31, 2020 to Julie S. Monk, 279 Barry Hope Trail, Hillsboro, Illinois 62049 as independent representative, whose attorney is A. Michael Kopec, Kopec, White & Spooner, 601 West Monroe Street, Springfield, Illinois 62704. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the independent representative, or both, within six (6) months from the date of first publication of this notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under Section 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. You may obtain a copy of a form of a petition to terminate independent administration from the clerk of court at the above address. Dated this 16th day of January, 2020. Julie S. Monk, Executor, By: A. Michael Kopec A. Michael Kopec (#01507974) KOPEC, WHITE & SPOONER 601 West Monroe Street Springfield, Illinois 62704 217/726-7540 217/726-7543 (fax) mkopec@kws-law.com

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SANGAMON COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WENDELL E. HOCKING, DECEASED. NO. 2020-P-512 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS NOTICE TO HEIRS AND LEGATEES Notice is given of the death of WENDELL E. HOCKING, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on September 23, 2020, to TREVOR K. HOCKING of 6325 Kate Ct., Springfield, Illinois, whose attorney is Rammelkamp Bradney, P.C., 741 South Grand Avenue West, Springfield, Illinois 62704. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S 9th St., Springfield, IL 62701 or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the 1st day of October, 2020, being the date of first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htmto learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional

help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. Dated this 23rd day of September, 2020. TREVOR K. HOCKING, Executor of the Estate of WENDELL E. HOCKING, Deceased BY: RAMMELKAMP BRADNEY, P.C. By: /s/ Anthony J. DelGiorno Anthony J. DelGiorno Attorney Attorneys for Estate: Anthony J. DelGiorno IARDC: 6277358 Rammelkamp Bradney, P.C. 741 South Grand Avenue West Springfield, IL 62704 Telephone: (217) 522-6000 Email: Tony@rblawyers.net

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY - IN PROBATE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Linda L. Ashcraft, Deceased. No. 2020-P-443 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS - INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR Notice is given of the death of Linda L. Ashcraft, in Carlinville, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on September 3, 2020, to Richard E. Lyons and James H. Lyons, Jr., as Independent Co-Administrators, whose attorney is Bellatti, Fay, Bellatti & Beard, LLP, 816 West State Street, P.O. Box 696, Jacksonville, Illinois 62651. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under Section 28-4 (Ill. Comp. Stat., Chap. 755, Act 5, Sect. 28-4) of the Illinois Probate Act any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk of the Court. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before March 17, 2021, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, the date stated in the notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated: September 3, 2020. Richard E. Lyons and James H. Lyons, Jr., Independent Co-Administrators By: Bellatti, Fay, Bellatti & Beard, LLP Clay Nordsiek, of counsel

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of ROWAN DALE EDWARD DUKES For change of name to ROWAN DALE EDWARD LAW Case NO.: 2020-MR-564 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on October 20, 2020 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name ROWAN DALE EDWARD DUKES to ROWAN DALE EDWARD LAW pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: September 17, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of CRYSTAL M. BOWEN

SYDNEY G. BOWEN For change of name to CRYSTAL M. LAWSON SYDNEY G. LAWSON Case NO.: 2020-MR-666 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on November 17, 2020 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from CRYSTAL M. BOWEN, SYDNEY G. BOWEN to CRYSTAL M. LAWSON, SYDNEY G. LAWSON pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: September 24, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MENARD COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of TONI LYN WYKAUF For change of name to GODDESS KRYSTONILYN WHITE-WYKAUF-WIKOFF Case NO.: 2020-MR-815 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on October 22, 2020 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name TONI LYN WYKAUF to GODDESS KRYSTONILYN WHITE-WYKAUF-WIKOFF pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: September 17, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of VICTORIA JADE ALLEN CHRISTOPHER ROBERT ALLEN ANGELA ROSE GRIBBLE (ALLEN) For change of name to VICTORIA JADE KINNER KHRIS KINNER ANGELA ROSE KINNER Case NO.: 2020-MR-816 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on November 17, 2020 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name VICTORIA JADE ALLEN, CHRISTOPHER ROBERT ALLEN, ANGELA ROSE GRIBBLE (ALLEN) to VICTORIA JADE KINNER, KHRIS KINNER, ANGELA ROSE KINNER pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: September 17, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of DESTINY MONIQUE THOMPSON For change of name to DESTINI MONIQUE THOMPSON Case NO.: 2020-MR-813 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on November 17, 2020 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name DESTINY MONIQUE THOMPSON to DESTINI MONIQUE THOMPSON pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: September 17, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of MATTHEW DALE SANTMAN KATHRYN NOELE BERGSCHNEIDER For change of name to MATTHEW DALE SANBERG KATHRYN NOELE SANBERG Case NO.: 2020-MR-814 PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on November 17, 2020 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name MATTHEW DALE SANTMAN, KATHRYN NOELE BERGSCHNEIDER to MATTHEW DALE SANBERG, KATHRYN NOELE SANBERG pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: September 17, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of JENNIFER MACKENZIE MORRISON For change of name to MACKENZIE CENIZA Case NO.: 2020-MR-815 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on November 17, 2020 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name JENNIFER MACKENZIE MORRISON to MACKENZIE CENIZA pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: September 17, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of KAYLIE MARIE MAGEE For change of name to KAYLIE MARIE MEANS Case NO.: 2020-MR-834 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on November 17, 2020 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from KAYLIE MARIE MAGEE to KAYLIE MARIE MEANS pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: October 1, 2020

20-092980 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS MIDFIRST BANK, PLAINTIFF, -vs- NORMAN T. WALKER; LORI K. WALKER; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS, DEFENDANTS NO. 20 CH 33 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on August 19, 2020; Jack L Campbell, Sheriff, #1 Sheriff's Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701, will on October 20, 2020 at 9:00 AM, at Sangamon County Building, Sangamon County Board Room, 2nd Floor, 200 South 9th Street Springfield, IL 62701, sell to the highest bidder for ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours, the following described premises situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Said sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court. Said property is legally described as follows:

LOT THREE (3) IN BLOCK EIGHT (8) OF THE CHICAGO, WILMINGTON AND VERMILION COAL COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE1/4) OF SECTION 33 IN TOWNSHIP 13 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, EXCEPT THE COAL AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING SAID LOT WHICH HAVE HERETOFORE BE CONVEYED. Commonly known as 312 East Main Street, Thayer, IL 62689 Permanent Index No.: 34-33-0-228-006 Improvements: Single Family Residential The property will NOT be open for inspection prior to the sale and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. The judgment amount was \$14,244.40. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this information. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For Bid Amount contact: Sale Clerk Shapiro Kreisman & Associates, LLC 2121 Waukegan Road, Suite 301 Bannockburn, IL 60015 ILNOTICES@logs.com (847) 291-1717 MidFirst Bank One of Plaintiff's Attorneys Shapiro Kreisman & Associates, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 2121 Waukegan Road, Suite 301 Bannockburn, IL 60015 (847) 291-1717 ILNOTICES@logs.com Randal S. Berg (6277119), Michael N. Burke (6291435), Christopher A. Cieniawa (6187452), Joseph M. Herbas (6277645), Michael Kalkowski (6185654), Laura J. Anderson (6224385), Jenna R. Vondran (6308109), Thomas Belczak (6193705), Debra Miller (6205477)

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IF YOUR PERSONAL LIABILITY FOR THIS DEBT HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED BY A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY OR BY AN ORDER GRANTING IN REM RELIEF FROM STAY, THIS NOTICE IS PROVIDED SOLELY TO FORECLOSE THE MORTGAGE REMAINING ON YOUR PROPERTY AND IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT THE DISCHARGED PERSONAL OBLIGATION. 20CH33

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON - SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS PNC BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; Plaintiff, vs. CYNTHIA SUTHERIN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THOMAS E. SCHAFFER; NIKI SCHAFFER; SAMANTHA SCHAFFER; KYM TRUGLIO; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF THOMAS E. SCHAFFER, IF ANY; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants, 18 CH 310 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, October 28, 2020, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. in Harvatin Law Office,

1100 South Fifth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
LOT 44 IN CHARLES S. WANLESS' COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES, FIRST PLAT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JULY 29, 1966, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 315294. EXCEPT THE COAL AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE SURFACE OF SAID LAND AND ALL RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAFE COAL AND MINERALS. P.I.N. 22-06-105-002. Commonly known as 160 EXMORE DR., SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704.

The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Mr. Edgar J. Ortega at Plaintiff's Attorney, Marinosci Law Group, PC, 134 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. (312) 940-8580.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF SANGAMON, STATE OF ILLINOIS
TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2017-3, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, Plaintiff(s), vs.

GREGORY A. HIBBLER, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s).
Case No. 19 CH 303

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment heretofore entered by the said Court in the above entitled cause, the Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois, will on October 13, 2020, at the hour of 9:00 AM, at the COUNTY BOARD CHAMBER, 2ND FLOOR, SANGAMON COUNTY COMPLEX, 200 S. 9TH STREET, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62701, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described premises and real estate in the said Judgment mentioned, situated in the

County of Sangamon, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment, to wit:
UNIT 2 OF 1320-1324 EAST CAPITOL AVENUE CONDOMINIUM. ACCORDING TO THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM OWNERSHIP RECORDED JUNE 28, 1995 AS DOCUMENT NO. 95-20182 THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS AND AS DELINEATED ON THE SURVEY OF LOTS 1, 2 AND 3 IN BLOCK 6 OF MATHER AND WELLES ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, AS ATTACHED THERETO AND SOMETIMES FURTHER REFERENCED, AS EXHIBIT "A". TOGETHER WITH AN UNDIVIDED PERCENTAGE INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS AS SET FORTH THEREIN ON ATTACHED EXHIBIT "B". EXCEPT ALL COAL AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING SAID LAND TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT TO MINE AND REMOVE SAME. AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN DEED INSTRUMENT #1996 R 21533. RECORDED 5-30-96.

Common Address: 1320 EAST CAPITOL AVENUE, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703
P.I.N. 14-34.0-277-021 a/k/a 14-34-277-021

Contact the Law Office of IRA T. NEVEL, LLC, 175 North Franklin, Suite 201, Chicago, Illinois 60606, (312) 357-1125, for further information.

The terms of the sale are: Ten percent (10%) due by cash or certified funds at the time of the sale and balance is due within 24 hours of the sale. The subject property is subject to real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "as is" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court.

The property is improved by a Single Family Residence, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, and the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenants thereunto belonging and will not be available for inspection prior to sale. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). LAW OFFICES OF IRA T. NEVEL, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff

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NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC, Plaintiff, vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF WILBURN LEE SMITH, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF WILBURN LEE SMITH, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF WILBURN LEE SMITH, DECEASED, DONALD SMITH, ROGER LEE SMITH, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, VILLAGE OF CHATHAM and WILLIAM BUTCHER, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF WILBURN LEE SMITH, DECEASED, Defendants.
CASE NO. 19-CH-274
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 533 CUMBERLAND DR CHATHAM, IL 62629

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on September 16, 2020, the following described real estate, to-wit: Land Situated in the County of Sangamon in the State of IL
Lot 48 in SOUTH WINDS PLAT 2 Situated in SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Permanent Index Number: 28-12.0-151-002
Commonly known as: 533 Cumberland Dr, Chatham, IL 62629

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on October 27, 2020, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$201,468.48. The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate

of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 111 East Main Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719

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

If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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

REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC, Plaintiff,

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NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
TOWN AND COUNTRY BANK, Plaintiff, vs.

SHANDIN N. MONGOLD and TOWN AND COUNTRY BANK, Defendants.

CASE NO. 20-CH-35
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 919 N. 6TH STREET SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause

on September 16, 2020, the following described real estate, to-wit: THE SOUTH 42 FEET OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 5 IN ROBERT ALLEN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

EXCEPT ANY INTEREST IN THE COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE LAND WHICH HAVE BEEN HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED IN PRIOR CONVEYANCES, AND ALL RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS, IF ANY.

SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Permanent Index Number: 14-27.0-176-030

Commonly known as: 919 N. 6th Street, Springfield, IL 62702

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on October 27, 2020, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$34,902.98. The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court.

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

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

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 111 East Main Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719

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mon interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5 (g-1).

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TOWN AND COUNTRY BANK, Plaintiff, Veronika J. Miles (#6313161), Its Attorney Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

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

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

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

Except all coal, minerals and mining rights heretofore conveyed or reserved of record.

Situated in SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 1907 N. 10TH ST., SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702

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

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$45,081.20. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
Dominique Johnson, Petitioner
vs.
Tristan Rodgers, Respondent
Case No: 2020-OP-1245

STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
Mary Suter, Petitioner
vs.
Malcom Suter, Respondent
Case No: 2020-OP-1265
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
Malcom Suter, this cause has been com-
menced against you in this Court asking
for an Order of Protection. Unless you
file your Answer or otherwise file your
Appearance in this cause in the Office
of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County,
Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth
St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or
before October 29, 2020, a judgment or
decree by default may be taken against
you for the relief asked in the complaint.
Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Court
Date: September 24, 2020

Across

1. Risk taker
6. Relax
11. Sixth sense
14. Cheer up
15. Accumulate
16. ___-tzu
17. Eliminates undesirable part
19. "___ magic!"
20. Football great Dawson
21. Part of a board
23. Unspecified no.
26. Laptop screen
29. Heroic acts
30. Subarctic forest
33. Enters cyberspace
36. ___ Park, Colo.
37. "How exciting!"
38. Soprano's song, maybe
42. First grade expectation, maybe
45. Capital on a fjord
46. Brazilian soccer legend
47. Pitcher Ryan
48. Hospital figures
50. "___ there yet?"
51. Barcelona's home
54. Sault ___ Marie
56. Morning moisture
57. Incomplete
60. It needs refinement
63. Add years to one's life
64. Like the start of 17- and 42-across

JoshJosh

by J. Reynolds - No. 656

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.

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18x					
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70. Deal-busting org.	10. False start?	43. Mar. follower
71. Soother	11. Best of the best	44. ___ flash
72. Make amends	12. Filled to excess	49. For all, as a salon
73. Road curve	13. Model's series	51. Garden tool
74. ER pictures	18. NBC weekend show	52. Beeps
75. Peter, Paul or Mary	22. One of 100	53. Locales
	23. Dictation taker	55. Many, many moons
	24. Relieves	58. On ___ with (equal to)
Down	25. Imperative	59. Actress Kudrow
1. Holiday mo.	27. Copies	61. Vitamin bottle info
2. "That's ___!"	28. Makes squiggles	62. "Cómo ___?"
3. "Norma ___"	31. "Don't just stand there!"	65. 1970s Dodgers All-Star Ron
4. And others: Abbr.	32. Fire remnant	66. ___ gratia artis
5. Russo of "Get Shorty"	34. Advice of 1951	67. Luau food
6. ___-di-dah	35. Nasdaq unit: Abbr.	68. ___ Arbor
7. Punk rock subgenre	39. Angry, with "up"	69. Court divider
8. Drawn tight	40. Amazed	
9. Cold war inits.	41. Running mate of '68	

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

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Difficulty hard

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Crossword answers from #655

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6	8	1	3	2	9	4	7	5
3	4	5	2	9	1	7	8	6
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Sudoku answers from #655

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

JoshJosh answers from #655



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