



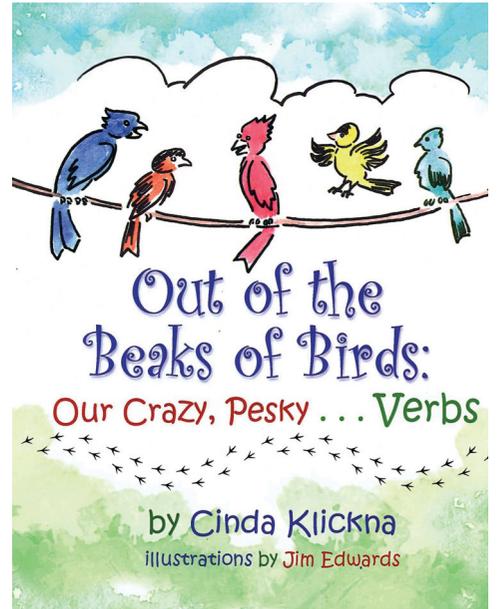
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Restaurants, the courthouse and other stuff

Be careful out there

UPON FURTHER REVIEW | Bruce Rushton

Don't look now, but the Springfield restaurant scene may not appear as dire as it seems, fingers crossed a vaccine is afoot.

American Harvest Eatery closed last spring on the west side but, at last report, was moving to perceived greener pastures. Vele has left downtown to go west for perceived greener pastures in space formerly occupied by American Harvest Eatery. The taqueria near my house is still serving, thank goodness.

And then there is Boone's Saloon, the watering hole walking distance from the Capitol that has the city's coolest beer garden – gotta love those shade trees – and a new owner. Lobbyist Chris Stone, aka father of Lucy's Place/cannabis entrepreneur/real estate investor who buys for cheap, has acquired the keys and brought on Mike Zengilani, longtime manager of Café Moxo on Adams Street, as his partner. Stone says Zengilani has departed Moxo to run Boone's. "I wouldn't do it if I didn't have Mike," Stone says. "It gives him a chance to manage his own business."

A new bar is planned for the beer garden. Breakfast, if all goes well, will be served every day instead of just on weekends. Pro tip: Serve waffles with sausage links, call it the General Assembly Special and charge \$29.99, with all-you-can-eat for lawmakers. "I'm betting on state employees coming back to work," Stone says. "I'm betting on the city of Springfield and the Capitol complex area reinventing itself."

WARD 1 ALD. TYPHOID REDPATH demanded that yours truly either sit in the back at this week's city council meeting or be thrown out. He said that I was getting too close by parking myself in the spectator section, where I always sit along with regular folks instead of in back in the section reserved for reporters, who everyone

knows are detestable. "I want him removed unless he goes to the back," thundered the alderman. Noting that I had a mask on, Mayor Jim Langfelder said no. "But I don't have my mask on – I don't want to put it on because I'm 20 feet away from him," Redpath shot back. After a bit more blustering, the meeting proceeded.

It's officer discretion, police chief Kenny "Pick A Lane" Winslow, who issued a \$50 mask ticket last month to a guy at a gas station, said when I asked in the hallway why Redpath wasn't getting a ticket. A few minutes later, the chief pulled Redpath into a side room. After the council meeting ended, Winslow said that the alderman is claiming a medical reason for not wearing a mask and is being given a chance to produce a note from his doctor stating that he has a condition that precludes covering his pie hole. Let's hope that note is subject to the Freedom of Information Act. I'd love to see it.

SANGAMON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE JOHN "MO"

MADONIA, who's won praise from lawyers and fellow judges for leading the fight against coronavirus in the courthouse, has been sidelined after testing positive for COVID-19. He says that his symptoms have been mild. Madonia's mother, 72, is not so fortunate. She was hospitalized the day before Thanksgiving, a few days after the Madonia clan gathered on the 18th anniversary of her husband's death. "We didn't want my mom to be alone and depressed," the judge says. Madonia figures coronavirus, also, was at the family gathering. "I think that's our triggering event," said the judge, who expects to be back at work on Monday. Madonia, the court's presiding judge, said Tuesday that his mother is doing better, with the family making plans to transfer her from the



Police chief Kenny Winslow, left, says he'll give Ward 1 Ald. Chuck Redpath, right, a chance to produce a doctor's note before ticketing him for not wearing a mask. PHOTO BY BRUCE RUSHTON.

hospital to a short-term care facility. Last spring, Madonia sent judges home and took over the docket himself, handling everything from traffic cases to felonies to keep as many people out of the courthouse as possible so coronavirus wouldn't spread.

STAYING ALIVE: Cross fingers, at least one fear from last spring has, so far, gone unrealized as we near nine months of pandemic living. Sangamon County Coroner Jim Allmon says there's no sign that suicides are increasing, although drug overdoses deemed accidental have risen. While the trend has been up elsewhere – DuPage County in September warned that suicides increased by 23% during the first six months of this year – researchers are reporting no increase in suicides in the U.S., although some worry that early patterns may not last. Augmenting mental health crisis teams assigned to the emergency room, Memorial Behavioral Health has started a mental health crisis clinic at 710 N. Eighth Street that its founders compare to a storefront clinic set up to take care of physical ailments – it's designed to deal with troubles that aren't emergencies. Drop-ins are welcome. It's open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays, or call 525-1064. □

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Celebrate statesmanship in Illinois

How to bridge divisions in the Prairie State

GUESTWORK | Jim Edgar and John Shaw

As a protracted and divisive political campaign season draws to a close, America is a nation in which partisan cleavages appear sharper than at any time in recent memory. Political analysts write of the United States as now consisting of two distinct nations, Red America and Blue America, and question if common ground will be achieved again.

The partisan divide here in Illinois is equally striking, intensified by regional tensions and antagonisms. The concept of "One Illinois" often seems an elusive aspiration rather than an achievable goal.

We have no formula that magically ends partisanship in Illinois, quiets the relentless rancor, and forges a coherent state identity and sense of shared destiny. However, we offer a tangible plan to affirm and honor the Prairie State's best traditions – traditions that include political leaders who are able to hold different political views while still working together to find common ground.

The Paul Simon Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University was founded nearly a quarter-century ago by former Sen. Paul Simon, a lifelong Democrat. It is delighted to partner with former Gov. Jim Edgar, a lifelong Republican, to establish an award that illuminates the best traditions of both major parties and underscores the truth that elevated leadership can come from either of these parties or from independents.

The Paul Simon-Jim Edgar Prairie State Statesmanship Award will honor exceptional leadership in Illinois by state and local government officials. It will be presented to leaders – statesmen and stateswomen – who display unusual vision, courage, compassion, civility, effectiveness and bipartisanship in their work for their communities and Illinois.

When considering a public policy issue, the first question a statesman or stateswoman asks is, "What is in the public interest?" Personal and partisan considerations can follow later – but hopefully much later.

Given our current political climate, it is easy to forget that statesmanship, while

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Editor's note

Some things to think about while we wait in worldwide lines for immunizations: Reducing those "underlying health conditions" that make everything worse. Changing medical care to health care. Drinking more water. Following Michael Pollan's diet – "Eat good food. Not too much. Mostly plants." Health is the best vaccine. –Fletcher Farrar, editor and CEO

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Should I Text My Lawyer?



Text messages are a common way of communicating. Instead of picking up the phone or drafting an email, many like the ease and quickness of sending a text. For this reason, many clients text their lawyer in a divorce or family law matter. Text communications can be short and to the point. Clients can also attach photos and videos to texts.

Is texting an effective form of communication for clients going through a divorce or family law matter? There are no black and white rules in terms of texting. There are also no rules or statutes that explicitly prohibit lawyers from texting their clients per se. Some lawyers might be willing to text their clients, while other lawyers might not want to do so. Some lawyers may not even be tech-savvy enough to text with their clients.

First, texting is often short and to the point, as explained above. The lawyer or the client could misinterpret the shortness of the communication, causing miscommunication, an increase in fees, or frustration. Many conversations instead require a lot more dialogue and analysis than a short text message exchange.

Second, texting is not always the most secure way of communication. Texting is not encrypted communication. This fact makes it easier for others to intercept or read the conversation.

Third, it is possible a client puts the phone down and somebody else picks it up and reads the communication. With texts, it can be quick and easy to see recent communication and attorney-client privilege could be jeopardized.

Fourth, text communication often does not make its way into a client's file. It can be hard for a lawyer to print off the texts and actually get them into the file. It can be cumbersome for the law firm or lawyer (and expensive for the client in terms of legal fees) to print the text communications. Thus, when a client requests their file at the end of the case, the texts might not be there. As it relates to important matters, the client may want that text communication if they did not retain it on their own device.

Fifth, text communication lacks the formality of other types of communication. The lack of formality can cause some clients to say things spontaneously to their lawyer. This can be damaging to the attorney-client relationship if they are upset or angry about something.

Email is typically more secure because it is encrypted. Email is also a bit more formal and allows for lengthier communication. The lengthier communication can often lead to better and more effective communication. Additionally, it is easier for a lawyer to print off an email chain and put that chain into the client file. For most clients, they appreciate this on the back-end when the case is over.

Finally, while texting is easy and convenient, with most smartphones, a client can send an email just as quickly as a text. In terms of convenience, sending an email versus a text is comparable.

Of course, phone calls, video conferences, or in-person meetings can often be more effective than email or text communication. While many clients want instant answers in the heat of the moment, if the situation can wait, the best communication can often take place by phone, video conference, or in-person.

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Statemanship in Illinois

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unusual, has been a critical feature of Illinois politics and history.

Abraham Lincoln represents the model statesman. Even while dealing with the existential crisis of the Civil War, Lincoln looked to the future and supported initiatives to create land grant universities, complete the transcontinental railroad and help pioneers settle in the West.

Illinois has been blessed with other statesmen over the decades, including exemplary governors from both parties. Edward Coles prevented Illinois from becoming a slave state in the 1820s. John Altgeld bravely pardoned three men who it seems were wrongly convicted of the 1886 Haymarket bombing. Henry Horner supported tax increases and bond issues to pay for unemployment relief during the Depression. William Stratton helped build the state's highways and universities in the 1950s and also advocated for civil rights. Richard Ogilvie pushed through Illinois' first income tax in 1969 and established the state's Environmental Protection Agency. Statemanship in Illinois has not occurred only in the governor's mansion but also in the halls of the Capitol and in city halls up and down the Prairie State.

We believe it is important to identify and celebrate statesmanship in Illinois. As we consider recipients for the annual Simon-Edgar Award we will examine mayors who craft bold and imaginative plans for their cities and take political gambles to bring their dreams to fruition; city council members who prepare creative and constructive long-term strategies for their communities; and state legislators and constitutional officers who are willing to break from party orthodoxy and political comfort zones to advance solutions to improve the lives of fellow Illinoisans.

The Simon-Edgar Award will shine a spotlight on exceptional leadership that is taking place in our communities. It will serve as a reminder that statesmanship is not only possible in Illinois, but is actually happening and deserves recognition and encouragement. Our fondest hope is that this award will inspire current and future public servants to act in the best traditions of our state. □

Jim Edgar was the 38th governor of Illinois. He founded the Edgar Fellows Program at the University of Illinois' Institute of Government and Public Affairs. John Shaw is the director of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale and is the author of five books on history and politics.

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with increased age I'd thought maybe my sense of wonder had withered along with other witherings but a trip through the wondrous rockies my nose glued to the amtrak window proved otherwise – I recall the note left on my dad's desk by my elderly grampa: "Ronald, I had a glorious good time today. The sky and clouds have been grand – the team responded to every touch & were so strong & willing – the machines were good though old. That wonderful field of No. 1 grass is such a satisfaction – we have been preparing for that these last ten years. Dad." thank you, gramp – we are never too old to be filled with appreciation, awe, wonder!

2020 Jacqueline Jackson

LETTERS

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ASSIST THE BUSINESSES

Where is the federal relief for businesses? As COVID-19 sweeps across the country, tens of thousands of businesses may close permanently. Millions of Americans are unemployed and many may not get their jobs back. It is a disaster that may haunt America for years.

Much of this disaster could have been avoided if Sen. Mitch McConnell and Senate Republicans had passed the financial rescue bill passed by the House months ago. Sadly, they seem totally unconcerned about the harm their inaction is inflicting.

Just as President Donald Trump sat on his hands from the beginning, leading to the infections of millions and the unnecessary deaths of tens of thousands of Americans, McConnell now sits on his hands.

Instead of complaining when the governor, mayor

or other official shuts down businesses to save lives, complain to Senate Republicans who refuse to pass legislation that would provide money to keep workers employed and businesses viable.

*Richard Leary
Springfield*

WHAT ABOUT THE HAT?

Erin Carlson Mast, incoming president and CEO of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library Foundation, should start by asking for an accounting on the fake Lincoln hat that the Foundation bought from Louise Taper, a board member at the time ("Mast takes helm at museum foundation," Nov. 26). I've done the investigation with questions of authenticity by a second appraiser. It's been a coverup from the beginning.

*Tony Leone
Via Facebook/illinoistimes.com*

THANKSGIVING FOR DINNER

The Central Baptist Church of Springfield thanks Arena Food Service for helping us continue to feed the community through Central's Feast of Plenty as we have

enjoyed doing for over 35 years. Because of COVID-19, the church could not safely use the church kitchen to prepare, serve and deliver meals to the community on Thanksgiving Day. We were thankful to have Arena prepare and deliver meals to the City of Springfield's Winter Warming Center, Helping Hands of Springfield, Contact Ministries and other persons identified in our community who are dealing with food insecurity. Thanks again, Arena.

*Joleen Welch
Central Baptist Church*

VERY THANKFUL

Thank you for highlighting the damage done by domestic violence ("What we don't know about domestic violence can kill us," Nov. 19). We at American Association of University Women want to thank *Illinois Times* for bringing the issue of domestic violence to the attention of the broader community. You do a real service in addressing social problems. We are looking forward to positive congressional action.

*Susan Allen
AAUW, Springfield chapter*

Moving to the mall

State of Illinois buys Sears space

GOVERNMENT | Bruce Rushton

White Oaks Mall has a new anchor tenant: the state of Illinois.

After purchasing space formerly occupied by Sears for \$3.5 million last August, the state now plans to move Illinois Environmental Protection Agency headquarters from North Grand Avenue to the mall. The complex now occupied by IEPA is slated for demolition to make room for expansion of a nearby railroad corridor.

A move could happen within two years. “Sometime in 2023, they’re going to have to be out of there,” said Jim Moll, an engineer with Hanson Professional Services who is project manager for the rail corridor project.

More than 700 state workers might relocate to the mall, and design work has started to convert retail space into offices. No final cost estimate or construction timeline has been set. In addition to IEPA employees, the Illinois Pollution Control Board and the Illinois Department of Innovation and Technology will be moving to space that became available when Sears closed in 2018, according to an email from Marjani Williams, spokesperson for the Illinois Department of Central Management Services.

News of the IEPA moving to the mall caught Mayor Jim Langfelder, city council members and other local leaders by surprise. Langfelder said that he called the mall’s manager after Illinois Times posted a story this week. Langfelder said that he would have preferred that the IEPA move downtown.

Ward 7 Ald. Joe McMenamin, whose ward includes the mall, welcomed the news.

“It’s massively important for White Oaks Mall,” McMenamin said. “This is good for Springfield.”

Ward 5 Ald. Andrew Proctor, whose ward includes both the existing IEPA building and portions of a struggling downtown, was less enthusiastic. If IEPA’s move to the mall requires a zoning change, he said he’ll be a no vote.

“It seems like the state is continuing – I don’t want to say its neglect of Springfield – they’re further pushing jobs to the fringes of the city, the west side,” Proctor said. “You’re killing one part of town to go to another part of town.”

Proctor said that he believes that the IEPA could have moved to the old Shop ‘n Save



The state is working on plans to move the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to White Oaks Mall.

PHOTO BY BRUCE RUSHTON.

store on North Grand Avenue that closed two years ago. The Sears space at the mall, he said, would have been ideal for a Costco – the company, he noted, has been opening stores in other Illinois cities. He also noted that local governments will lose property tax revenue now that the Sears space belongs to the state. The most recent property tax bill for the Sears site totaled nearly \$132,000.

“It just takes money out of the coffers of the schools,” Proctor said.

Adrienne Hood, the mall’s manager, could not be reached for comment. Simon Property Group, the mall’s owner, has been reinventing mall space over the past few years as department stores close and smaller merchants battle online retailers. The company has purchased shuttered Sears stores in malls elsewhere with plans to develop restaurants, fitness centers and other non-retail store entities, and it has been buying bankrupt tenants, including Brooks Brothers and J.C. Penney.

Clay Emerich, then White Oaks Mall manager, told the Springfield City Council in 2018 that Simon wanted to purchase both the

Sears property and property once occupied by Bergner’s, which closed that year – both bankrupt retailers owned their stores at the mall. Each store had approximately 120,000 square feet of space, Emerich told the council.

Simon bought the Bergner’s space last year for \$1.75 million. It’s since been used by Green Family Stores to sell cars. The mall’s owner did not purchase the Sears property, however. Sangamon County property records show that the state purchased the Sears space from a limited liability corporation with a Hoffman Estates address where Sears Holding Company is domiciled.

Ryan McCrady, chief executive officer of the Springfield Sangamon County Growth Alliance, a public-private organization aimed at promoting economic development, said that he hadn’t heard about plans to move the IEPA to the mall. “They kept that pretty quiet,” McCrady said. “I know they had to move somewhere.”

McCrady said he had been concerned that the IEPA might move out of Springfield.

“I’m glad to hear that they’re staying here in our community,” he said. □

RECYCLE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

CAP CITY Don’t throw your burned out Christmas lights in the garbage – recycle them. BLH Computers is partnering with local communities to collect Christmas lights that will be recycled. Collection boxes are located at the Leland Grove police department, 2000 Chatham Road; City of Springfield Municipal Center West, City of Springfield Lincoln Public Library; Rochester Community Center and the Chatham library. Lights can be dropped off during normal business hours. Some sites may be closed temporarily (such as Lincoln Library) due to COVID restrictions. BLH will donate proceeds to the Sunrise Rotary Club.



“Face to Face” with Wes McNeese

SPRINGFIELD EMMY

CAP CITY A short film starring Springfield’s Dr. Wesley Robinson McNeese won a regional Emmy award. In the video, McNeese reads a piece of original poetry titled “Face to Face” from a site of ruins from the 1908 Race Riot. The massacre consisted of white mobs attacking innocent Black people by burning their businesses and homes and lynching two innocent men. On Nov. 21, Chris Costello won a 2020 Mid-America Emmy Award for the film. He is a producer for The Storyteller Studios, a Springfield-based marketing company. “This isn’t my win or even my team’s win, but a win for Wes, and a win for all the Black voices in Springfield and beyond that have gone unheard for too long,” Costello said in a statement. McNeese said he was grateful to be part of a project that shed more light on the “transgenerational racial trauma most African Americans grapple with every day.” The project was a collaborative effort that involved a grant from the University of Illinois Presidential Initiative to Celebrate the Impact of the Arts and Humanities. UIS history professor Devin Hunter had approached the studio with the concept and the city and Fever River Research helped facilitate the shoot.

Police review under review

“I don’t want that ‘versus’ to be in there”

POLICE | Bruce Rushton

Mayor Jim Langfelder is pushing for appointments to the city’s Police Community Review Commission absent a promised overhaul to improve the effectiveness of a board that rarely has met since its establishment 15 years ago.

Langfelder is asking the council to approve the appointments of Sunshine Clemons, founder of the Springfield chapter of Black Lives Matter, Esteban Sanchez, former federal prosecutor and retired Sangamon County associate judge, and Diamond Jackson, third vice president of the Springfield chapter of National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, to the commission tasked with hearing complaints against police, who have long resisted civilian oversight.

Last July, two Langfelder appointments to the commission squeaked through the council, with the mayor in one case breaking a 5-5 council tie. At the time, Ward 3 Ald. Doris Turner, who voted against both appointments, said that appointing members to the seven-member commission was premature: The city shouldn’t put people on a commission that rarely considers complaints against the police, as intended when the city created the commission in 2005.

Appointments, Turner said last summer, shouldn’t be considered until the city changes how the near-dormant commission operates. Calling the commission dysfunctional, she said that she and Ward 2 Ald. Shawn Gregory, who also voted no on appointments last summer, were working on a package of legislation to address concerns about police and racism.

“The police review commission is part of that package,” Turner told colleagues in July. “There is, right now, a view toward a complete overhaul of the Police Community Review Commission. That’s the reason I’m voting no: I want to wait and see what the new commission is going to look like before we make appointments.” Langfelder, also, made promises last summer, when he compared the commission to body cams and inspectors general. “There will be changes coming,” he said in July.

Nearly five months later, no proposal has surfaced that would change the way that the commission operates. Neither Turner nor Gregory responded to interview requests.

Suggestions have included giving the commission subpoena power so that investigations would be independent as opposed to reviews of internal affairs files. Langfelder says that there have been “initial discussions” since last summer,

but nothing solid. “We’ve talked about a couple items,” he said. “The challenge with us is, how does that fit into the disciplinary process of the police department?”

Ward 6 Ald. Kristen DiCenso, who joined Turner and Gregory in voting against appointments in July, said that she’d like to see changes promised last summer before making appointments, although she praised Langfelder for choosing Clemons and Jackson. “I think there’s still work that needs to be done,” she said. DiCenso said that she hasn’t spoken with Turner or Gregory recently about their efforts, but doesn’t fault either for lack of solid proposals. The pandemic, she says, can slow things down: “I say we take a wait-and-see until something is brought forward.”

In October, Turner backed off a proposal that would have required the commission to review all citizen complaints against police – it passed the council unanimously after restrictions on the use of pepper spray also were excised. “There’s nothing in this ordinance that handcuffs our police department – nothing,” Ward 1 Ald. Chuck Redpath, a former cop whose son is a Springfield police officer, said before voting in favor.

Teresa Haley, president of the Springfield and state chapters of the NAACP, says there is no need to postpone appointments. “You have to start somewhere,” she says. “There is no perfect answer. I believe it’s time to move forward.”

Clemons says that she’d like the commission to have subpoena power, but that’s not a must. “As it stands now, work still can be done,” she says. The commission, she said, can bring transparency to the police department. “The goal is not to beat them over the head,” she said.

Sanchez said that it’s too soon for him to make any recommendations on how the commission should operate. “Whatever the city council wants us to do we will try to do,” he said. “They will dictate.”

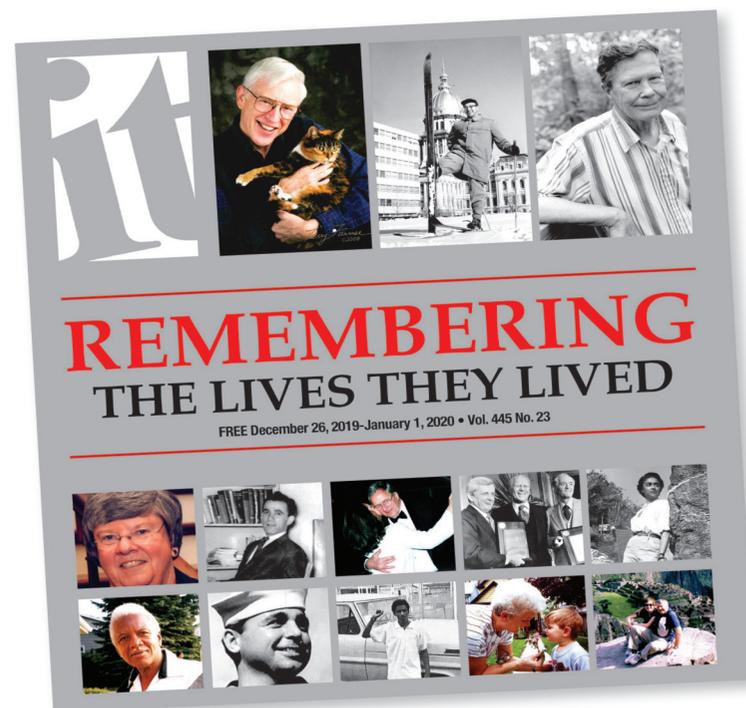
Jackson sees a role for the commission beyond considering complaints. She envisions meetings with city and state police where cops and civilians can learn from each other.

“I think a lot of it has to do with increasing relations between everyone,” Jackson said. “It’s kind of like the commission versus the police department – I don’t want that ‘versus’ to be in there.” □

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REMEMBERING THE LIVES THEY LIVED

The stories of those we loved and lost in 2020



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A book of birds teaching words

A fun way for children to learn verbs

BOOK REVIEW | Karen Ackerman Witter

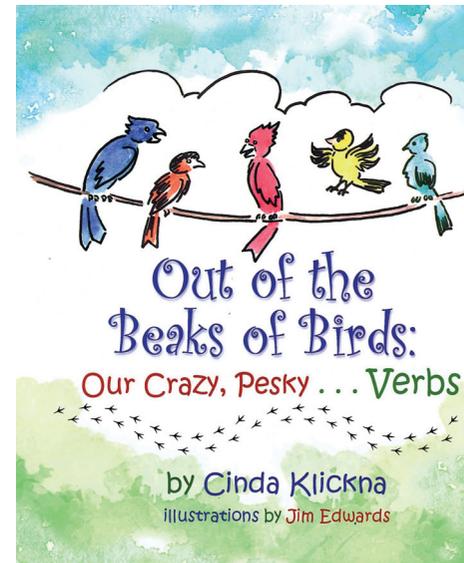
Cinda Ackerman Klickna *has seen* a lot of bad grammar. She *saw* it as an English teacher. She *sees* it on social media. Hearing bad grammar is especially bothersome to Klickna – like fingernails on a chalkboard for those old enough to understand what that means. Klickna, of Rochester, *writes* for *Illinois Times*, *wrote* a great deal throughout her long career in education and now *has written* a children's book. *Out of the Beaks of Birds: Our Crazy, Pesky... Verbs* is designed to help teach children good grammar by hearing verbs used correctly at a young age.

The book uses five types of birds – cardinal, indigo bunting, blue jay, goldfinch and oriole – to teach verb tenses. Verbs used in the stories are those “pesky,” irregular verbs. Regular verbs are easy to learn because they retain the root word, e.g. look, looked, has looked. Irregular verbs are harder to learn because the present, past and past participle are completely different. See, saw, have seen. Fly, flew, have flown. Break, broke, has broken.

Klickna's grandson was the inspiration for her to write this book. She would often sit with him in her favorite rocking chair on her porch, looking out the window at her many bird feeders. She started telling him stories about the birds when he was only a few months old. He continues to enjoy looking out the window at the many birds that venture into her backyard, from cardinals to wild turkeys. This experience became the foundation for the book. Playing on the phrase “out of the mouths of babes,” Klickna titled her book *Out of the Beaks of Birds*.

The book provides a fun way for children – and adults – to learn the proper use of verbs. “Hearing correct usage forms a good foundation for learning in kindergarten and beyond,” says Klickna. “With repetition and practice, these verbs can be mastered.” Many of the stories use words that are recommended for children to know before starting kindergarten.

Klickna drew on her long career in education to write this book, which is illustrated by Jim Edwards, a teacher colleague who taught art for over 30 years. For more

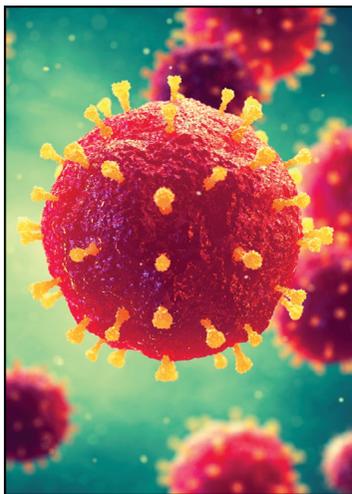


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than 25 years Klickna taught middle and high school English in Springfield District 186. She was active in the teachers union and held leadership roles in the Illinois Education Association (IEA), retiring in 2017 after serving six years as IEA president. She's been a freelance writer for over 30 years.

The book is designed for teachers, parents, grandparents and caregivers to use with preschoolers as well as those in early elementary grades. Older children who can read will also enjoy the stories. Birds are used in illustrations, and the verb tenses are printed in the same color as the bird. Information about each of the five birds is included, along with pictures and links to bird songs. Children, and perhaps even adults, will hear and see the correct ways to use crazy, pesky verbs. □

Karen Ackerman Witter and Cinda Ackerman Klickna are frequent contributors to Illinois Times. They are sisters. At a young age, Cinda liked to play school; she was the teacher and Karen was her student.



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One such person is Mandie, who came to Inner City Mission out of domestic violence. She explains her homelessness like this:

I needed help. I couldn’t stop making terrible choices that were destroying my life. Down deep, I knew I needed God. While at the ER, someone called the

mission and a place was prepared for me. I was nervous to go, but I said to God, ‘You take the reins, and I will go along for the ride.’ I have to say, that was the best decision I ever made in my life.

“At the mission, I slowly began to come out of my shell. I started talking with others about my emotions. Once I began to express what was so deeply hidden in my heart, I no longer felt so alone in my world of neglect and worthlessness. Thank you for caring about me. - Mandie

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Brielle, came to the mission after living on the streets for six months. She sent this letter to our staff:

I am writing to thank you and let you know how much the mission has helped me. When I first arrived, I was basically agnostic and had been for years. I had an abusive stepfather in my life which convinced me there must not be a God even though I had been a Christian.

We used to go to church with him, but afterward we’d go home and suffer abuse. In the years that followed, attending church would bring extreme stress in my life. I hated it. But that changed after moving into the mission. I started attending church even though I felt un-

worthy to step in the doors. I knew what a sinner I was, and figured they wouldn’t have me. But I was wrong. The church welcomed me, and I felt 100% better after the service.

In one of the Bible studies at the mission, someone said God allows things in our life to make us stronger. I thought about that and realized it was true. I am stronger because of everything I have been through.

At the mission, we have prayer and thank God for every day. I now have an attitude of gratitude for what I have instead of being worried about what I don’t have. Thanks to the mission and its supporters, I have been able to rediscover God and regain the faith I had when I was younger. - Brielle

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In the three years prior to Kayla coming to Inner City Mission, her husband, son, mother, uncle, and two aunts had all passed away. Devastated, and trying to survive as a single mom with two teenage sons, she suddenly faced the stark reality of homelessness. Kayla would write this note to us:

I was so afraid when I called the mission for help. After talking with two other shelters and being turned down, I didn’t

know what to do. They couldn’t take boys after a certain age, and my sons were too old at sixteen and thirteen.

When I found out the mission had room for us, I started crying. I was so thankful. When we got here, we felt very welcome. Right away, I noticed your religious foundation and realized it was more than a shelter. I knew the Lord had answered my prayers by guiding our steps here.

We stayed at the mission for approximately two months. That gave me enough time to find employment and save money for a rental house. I admit it was hard to leave the mission. The staff and volunteers provided more than food and shelter. They addressed other needs like emotional support, friendship, love, spiritual guidance, and the list goes on and on.

You mission angels are definitely God-sent to many people. I want everyone who reads this to know how much I appreciate you. I did not have to think hard about what to write here. It all comes from my heart. You have my love and respect. - Kayla

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Maybe you have wondered, “Can homeless people really change?” Well, the answer is yes. Is the process easy? No.

Until next time,
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THE TOP CENSORED STORIES AND MEDIA OF 2019–2020

PROJECT CENSORED

The biggest news you never heard about

MEDIA | Paul Rosenberg

Every year since 1976, *Project Censored* has performed an invaluable service – shedding light on the most significant news that’s somehow *not* fit to print. Censorship in an authoritarian society is obvious, from a distance, at least. There is a central agent or agency responsible for it and the lines are clearly drawn. That’s not the case in the United States, yet some stories rarely, if ever, see the light of day. Stories get buried or ignored – such as violence against Native American women and girls, even though four out of five of them experience violence at some point in their lives, usually at the hands of non-Native perpetrators.

“I wouldn’t say that we’re more vulnerable,” Annita Lucchesi, a Southern Cheyenne descendant and executive director of the Sovereign Bodies Institute, told *The Guardian*. “I’d say that we’re targeted. It’s not about us being vulnerable victims, it’s about the system being designed to target and marginalize our women.”

And, the media erasure of their stories is part of that same system of targeting and marginalization. While journalists everyday work hard to expose injustices, they work within a system where some injustices are so deeply baked in that stories exposing them are rarely told.

That’s where *Project Censored* comes in.

“The primary purpose of *Project Censored* is to explore and publicize the extent of news censorship in our society by locating stories about significant issues of which the public should be aware, but is not, for a variety of reasons,” wrote its founder, Carl Jensen, on its 20th anniversary. *Project Censored* includes an annual survey conducted by California’s Sonoma State University and the Media Freedom Foundation to find the year’s most significant overlooked and underreported news stories.

Thus, the list of censored stories that’s the centerpiece of its annual book, *State of the Free Press 2021*, doesn’t just help us to see individual stories we might otherwise have missed. It helps us see patterns of censorship.

1. Missing and murdered indigenous women and girls

“In June 2019 the Canadian National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls released its final report, which received widespread news coverage in the United States,” *Project Censored* notes. “U.S. corporate news outlets have provided nearly nothing in the way of reporting on missing and murdered Indigenous women in the

United States.”

That’s despite a problem of similar dimensions, and complexity, along with the election of the first two Native American congresswomen, Deb Holland and Sharice Davids, who, *Ms. Magazine* reported, “are supporting two bills that would address the federal government’s failure to track and respond to violence against indigenous women [and] are supported by a mass movement in the U.S. and Canada raising an alarm about missing and

murdered indigenous women and girls (MMIWG).”

Four in five Native women experience violence at some time in their lives, according to a 2016 survey by the National Institute of Justice, cited in an August 2019 *Think Progress* report.

“About nine in 10 Native American rape or sexual-assault victims had assailants who were white or Black,” according to a 1999 Justice Department report.

“Although the number of Native Americans

murdered or missing in 2016 exceeded 3,000 – roughly the number of people who died during the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attack – the Justice Department’s missing persons database logged only 116 cases that year,” *Think Progress* noted. “The sheer scale of the violence against Native women and the abysmal failure by the government to adequately address it, explains why the issue was given such prominence during this week’s presidential candidates’ forum in Sioux City – the first to focus entirely on Native American issues.”

But even that didn’t grab media attention.

There are multiple complicating factors in reporting, tracking, investigating and prosecuting, which were explored in coverage by *The Guardian* and *Yes! Magazine*, as well as *Ms.* and *Think Progress*.

“Campaigners, including the Sovereign Bodies Institute, the Brave Heart Society, and the Urban Indian Health Institute, identify aspects of systemic racism – including the indelible legacies of settler colonialism, issues with law enforcement, a lack of reliable and comprehensive data, and flawed policymaking – as deep-rooted sources of the crisis,” *Project Censored* summed up. “As *YES! Magazine* reported, tribal communities in the United States often lack jurisdiction to respond to crimes.”

Project Censored concluded, “As a result of limited news coverage, the United States is far from a national reckoning on its crisis of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls.”

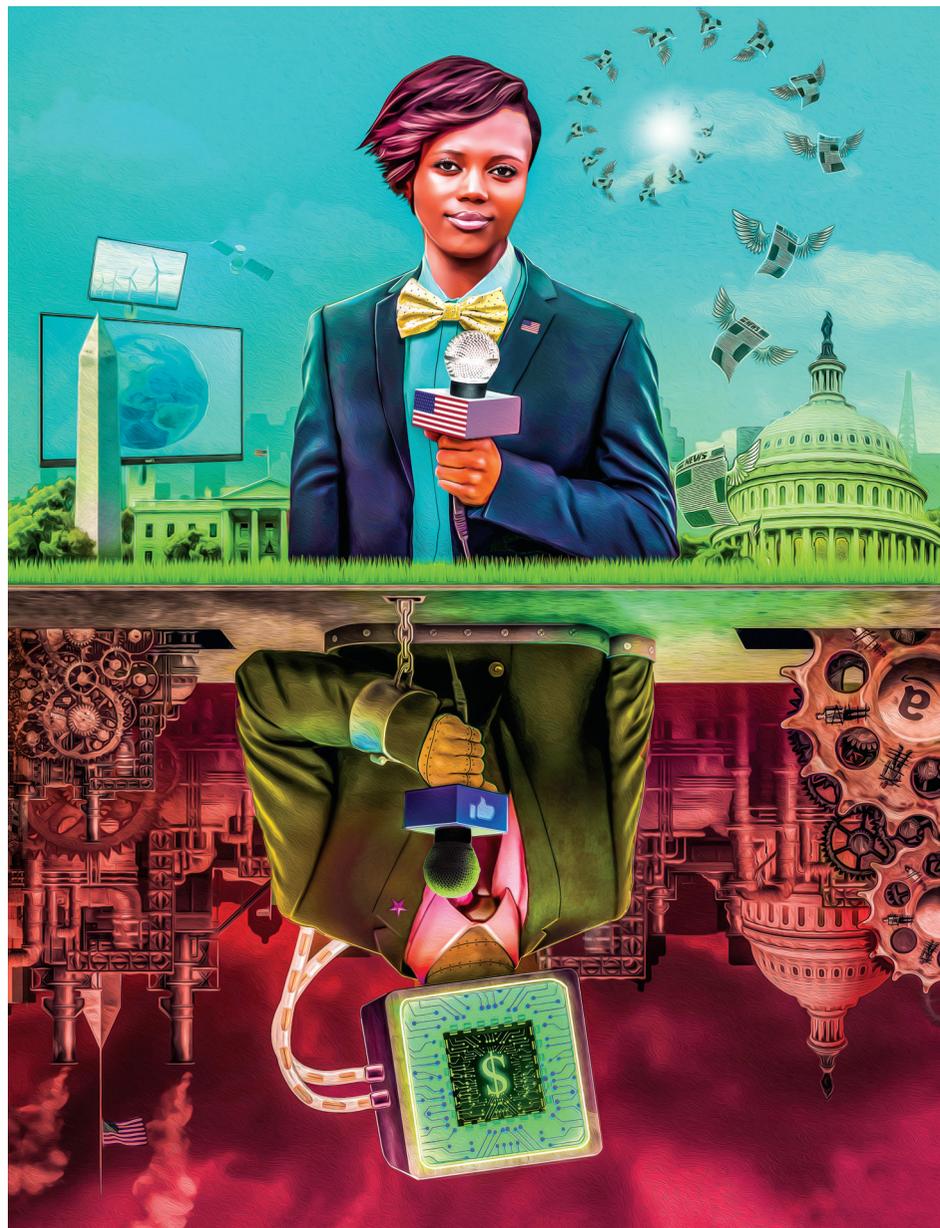
2. Monsanto “Intelligence Center” targeted journalists and activists

In its fight to avoid liability for causing cancer, the agricultural giant Monsanto (now owned by Bayer) created an “intelligence fusion center” to “monitor and discredit” journalists and activists, Sam Levin reported for *The Guardian* in August 2019.

“More than 18,000 people have filed suit against Monsanto, alleging that exposure to Roundup [weedkiller] caused non-Hodgkin lymphoma, and that Monsanto covered up the risks by manipulating scientific data and silencing critics,” *the Hill* summarized. “The company has lost three high-profile cases in the past year, and Bayer is reportedly offering \$8 billion to settle all outstanding claims.”

“Monsanto adopted a multipronged strategy to target Carey Gillam, a Reuters journalist who investigated the company’s weedkiller,” *The Guardian* reported.

This took place while also targeting Neil Young (who released a 2015 record, *The Monsanto Years*),



and creating a massive, multimillion-dollar spying and disinformation campaign targeting journalists writing about it, as well as scientists and advocates exposing the risks its product posed. Creating a covert army of seemingly neutral allies to attack its critics was central to Monsanto's strategy.

The Guardian's report was based on internal documents (primarily from 2015 to 2017) released during trial. They showed that "Monsanto planned a series of 'actions' to attack a book authored by Gillam prior to its release, including writing 'talking points' for 'third parties' to criticize the book and directing 'industry and farmer customers' on how to post negative reviews."

In addition, Monsanto paid Google to skew search results promoting criticism of Gillam's work on Monsanto, and they discussed strategies for pressuring Reuters with the goal of getting her reassigned. The company "had a 'Carey Gillam Book' spreadsheet, with more than 20 actions dedicated to opposing her book before its publication." They also "wrote a lengthy report about singer Neil Young's anti-Monsanto advocacy, monitoring his impact on social media, and at one point considering 'legal action.'"

"Monsanto has also previously employed shadowy networks of consultants, PR firms, and front groups to spy on and influence reporters,"

Thacker wrote. "And all of it appears to be part of a pattern at the company of using a variety of tactics to intimidate, mislead and discredit journalists and critics."

"Monsanto's campaign to monitor and discredit journalists and other critics has received almost no corporate news coverage," *Project Censored* notes. A rare exception was a June 2019 ABC News report which nonetheless "consistently emphasized the perspective of Monsanto and Bayer."

3. U.S. military – a massive, hidden contributor to climate crisis

It's said that an army travels on its stomach, but the Army itself has said, "Fuel is the 'blood of the military,'" as quoted in a study, *Hidden carbon costs of the everywhere war*, by Oliver Belcher, Patrick Bigger, Ben Neimark and Cara Kennelly, who subsequently summarized their findings for *The Conversation* in June 2019.

The U.S. military is "one of the largest polluters in history, consuming more liquid fuels and emitting more climate-changing gases than most medium-sized countries," they wrote. If it were a country, it would rank as "the 47th largest emitter of greenhouse gases in the world."

Studies of greenhouse gas emissions usually focus on civilian use, but the U.S. military has a larger carbon footprint than any civilian corporation in the world.



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“The U.S. military’s climate policy remains fundamentally contradictory,” their study notes.

On the one hand, “The U.S. military sees climate change as a ‘threat multiplier,’ or a condition that will exacerbate other threats, and is fast becoming one of the leading federal agencies in the United States to invest in research and adoption of renewable energy. But it remains the largest single institutional consumer of hydrocarbons in the world [and] this dependence on fossil fuels is unlikely to change as the USA continues to pursue open-ended operations around the globe.”

Things will only get worse.

“There is no shortage of evidence that the climate is on the brink of irreversible tipping points,” the study notes. “Once past those tipping points, the impacts of climate change will continue to be more intense, prolonged and widespread, giving cover to even more extensive U.S. military interventions.”

Not surprisingly the report had received “little to no corporate news coverage” as of May 2020, beyond scattered republication of their *Conversation* piece.

4. Congressional investments and conflicts of interest

Exposition, political corruption and conflicts of interest are age-old staples of journalism. So, it’s notable that two of the most glaring, far-reaching examples of congressional conflicts of interest in the Trump era have been virtually ignored by corporate media: Republicans’ support for the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, and bipartisan failure to act on catastrophic climate change.

“The cuts likely saved members of Congress hundreds of thousands of dollars in taxes collectively, while the corporate tax cut hiked the value of their holdings,” Peter Cary of the Center for Public Integrity reported for *Vox* in January 2020.

It was sold as a middle-class tax cut that would benefit everyone.

“Promises that the tax act would boost investment have not panned out,” he noted. “Corporate investment is now at lower levels than before the act passed, according to the Commerce Department.”

Once again, trickle down tax cuts didn’t trickle down.

“The tax law’s centerpiece is its record cut in the corporate tax rate, from 35 percent to 21 percent,” Cary wrote. “At the time of its passage, most of the bill’s Republican supporters said the cut would result in higher wages, factory expansions and more jobs. Instead, it was mainly exploited by corporations, which bought back stock and raised dividends.”

Buybacks exceeded \$1 trillion for the first time ever, the year after the cuts were passed, and

dividends topped a record \$1.3 trillion high.

The benefits to congressional Republicans were enormous.

“The 10 richest Republicans in Congress in 2017 who voted for the tax bill held more than \$731 million in assets, almost two-thirds of which were in stocks, bonds, mutual funds and other instruments,” which benefitted handsomely as a result of their votes that “doled out nearly \$150 billion in corporate tax savings in 2018 alone,” Cary noted. “All but one of the 47 Republicans who sat on the three key committees overseeing the drafting of the tax bill own stocks and stock mutual funds.

Even before COVID-19, his research added fine-grained evidence of broad trends highlighted in three prominent governmental reports: the gap between rich and poor Americans had grown larger than ever in half a century, according to the U.S. Census Bureau’s 2019 annual survey, with dramatic evidence of its lethal impact: people in the poorest quintile die at twice the rate as those in the richest quintile, according to a report by the Congressional General Accounting Office. And, this is partly because job-related deaths are increasingly rooted in the physical and psychological toll of low-wage work, as opposed to on-the-job accidents, as documented

6. Shadow network of conservative outlets emerges to exploit faith in local news

In late October 2019, Carol Thompson reported in the *Lansing State Journal* that, “Dozens of websites branded as local news outlets launched throughout Michigan this fall ... promising local news but also offering political messaging.” The websites’ “About us” sections “say they are published by Metric Media LLC, a company that aims to fill the ‘growing void in local and community news after years of steady disinvestment in local reporting by legacy media.” Thompson wrote. But it soon emerged that they weren’t filling that void with locally generated news, and the 40 or so sites Thompson found in Michigan were just the tip of the iceberg.

A follow-up investigation by *The Michigan Daily* reported that “Just this past week, additional statewide networks of these websites have sprung up in Montana and Iowa,” which was followed by a December 2019 report by the *Columbia Journalism Review*, revealing a network of 450 websites run by five corporate organizations in 12 states that “mimic the appearance and output of traditional news organizations” in order to “manipulate public opinion by exploiting faith in local media.”

All were associated with conservative businessman Brian Timpone.

“In 2012, Timpone’s company Journatic, an outlet known for its low-cost automated story generation, which became known as ‘pink slime journalism,’ attracted national attention and outrage for faking bylines and quotes, and for plagiarism,” *CJR*’s Priyanjana Bengani reported. Journatic was later rebranded as Locality Labs, whose content ran on the Metric Media websites.

“The different websites are nearly indistinguishable, sharing identical stories and using regional titles,” *Michigan Daily* reported. “The only articles with named authors contain politically skewed content. The rest of the articles on the sites are primarily composed of press releases from local organizations and articles written by the Local Labs News Service.”

“Despite the different organization and network names, it is evident these sites are connected,” Bengani wrote. “Other than simply sharing network metadata as described above, they also share bylines (including ‘Metric Media News Service’ and ‘Local Labs News Service’ for templated stories), servers, layouts and templates.”

Using a suite of investigative tools, *CJR* was able to identify at least 189 sites in 10 states run by Metric Media – all created in 2019 – along with 179 run by Franklin Archer (with Timpone’s brother, Michael, as CEO).

“We tapped into the RSS feeds of these 189 Metric Media sites,” over a period of two weeks, Bengani wrote, “and found over 15,000 unique stories had been published (over 50,000 when aggregated across the sites), but only about 100 titles had the bylines of human reporters.” That’s well below 1% with a byline – much less being local.

Although *The New York Times* did publish an

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“Democrats also stood to gain from the tax bill, though not one voted for it,” he wrote. “All but 12 Republicans voted for the tax bill.”

While there has been critical coverage of 2017 tax cuts, this has not included coverage of lawmakers’ personal profiting, *Project Censored* noted.

“In addition, despite the significant conflicts of interest exposed by Donald Shaw’s reporting for *Sludge*, the alarming facts about U.S. senators’ massive investments in the fossil fuel industry appear to have gone completely unreported in the corporate press.”

5. Gap between richest and poorest Americans largest in 50 years

“In public health, decades of research are coming to a consensus: Inequality kills,” DePaul University sociologist Fernando De Maio wrote for *Truthout* in December 2019.

by the United Nations’ International Labor Organization.

“In Chicago, there is a nine-year gap between the life expectancy for Black and white people. This gap amounts to more than 3,000 excess deaths among black Chicagoans, due to “heart disease, cancer, stroke, diabetes and kidney disease. All of these are conditions that an equitable health care system would address,” he concluded.

“The poorest Americans are also more likely than their rich counterparts to face illness or premature death due to the inherent dangers of low-wage work,” *Project Censored* noted.

As of May 2020, *Project Censored* has not been able to identify any corporate news coverage on the GAO or Census Bureau reports on inequality and premature mortality, or on the ILO report about work-related illnesses, accidents and deaths that take place when workers are off-duty.

article in October 2019 that credited the *Lansing State Journal* with breaking the story about pseudo-local news organizations, *Project Censored* notes that, “Corporate coverage has been lacking.... The *Columbia Journalism Review’s* piece expands on the breadth and scope of previous coverage, but its findings do not appear to have been reported by any of the major establishment news outlets.”

7. Underreporting of missing and victimized Black women and girls

Black women and girls go missing in the United States at a higher rate than that of their white counterparts. And, that very fact goes missing, too. “A 2010 study about the media coverage of missing children in the United States discovered that only 20% of reported stories focused on missing Black children, despite it corresponding to 33% of the overall missing children cases,” Carma Henry reported for the *Westside Gazette* in February 2019.

But it’s only getting worse. “A 2015 study discussed in the *William & Mary Journal of Race, Gender, and Social Justice* found that the disparity listed in the 2010 study between the reportage and the reality of missing Black children had increased substantially,” *Project Censored* noted: 35% of missing children cases vs. just 7% of media stories.

That discussion appeared in a paper that made two other pertinent points. First, that Black criminal perpetrators are overrepresented in the media, while Black victims are underrepresented, and second, that “because racial minorities are identified as criminals more often than not, non-minorities develop limited empathy toward racial minorities who are often perceived as offenders.”

While there is some coverage from small independent sources, “this gap in coverage of missing Black women and girls has gone widely underreported,” *Project Censored* noted.

8. The public banking revolution

The year 2019 marked the 100th anniversary of the USA’s first publicly owned state bank, the Bank of North Dakota (BND), and in October, California Gov. Gavin Newsom signed the

Public Banking Act, authorizing up to 10 similar such banks to be created by California’s city and county governments. In response, the cities of San Francisco and Los Angeles both announced plans to do so. It was the culmination of a decade-long effort that began in the wake of the Great Recession that’s also been taken up in nearly two dozen other states. Beyond the benefits North Dakota has reaped in the past, such banks could have greatly assisted in

Institute wrote for *Common Dreams*. “Since then it has evolved into a \$7.4 billion bank that is reported to be even more profitable than JPMorgan Chase and Goldman Sachs, although its mandate is not actually to make a profit but simply to serve the interests of local North Dakota communities.”

A new surge of interest in public banking came out of the Standing Rock movement’s Dakota Access Pipeline protests. While individuals could

media refuses to discuss.

9. Rising risks of nuclear power due to climate change

As early as 2003, 30 nuclear units were either shut down or reduced power output during a deadly European summer heatwave in Europe.

But almost two decades later, the corporate media has yet to grasp that “Nuclear power plants are unprepared for climate change,” as *Project Censored* notes. “Rising sea levels and warmer waters will impact power plants’ infrastructure, posing increased risks of nuclear disasters, according to reports from the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) and *Truthout* from September 2019,” they explain. Yet, “Tracking back to 2013, corporate news media have only sporadically addressed the potential for climate change to impact nuclear power plants.”

“Nuclear power is uniquely vulnerable to increasing temperatures because of its reliance on cooling water to ensure operational safety within the core and spent fuel storage,” Christina Chen wrote for NRDC.

In addition, Karen Charman, reporting for *Truthout*, noted that “nuclear reactors need an uninterrupted electricity supply to run the cooling systems that keep the reactors from melting down,” but this will be “increasingly difficult to guarantee in a world of climate-fueled megastorms and other disasters.”

Sea level rise – combined with storm surges – represents the most serious threat. That was the focus of a 2018 report by John Vidal from *Ensisia*, a solutions-focused media outlet, which found that “at least 100 U.S., European and Asian nuclear power stations built just a few meters above sea level could be threatened by serious flooding caused by accelerating sea-level rise and more frequent storm surges.”

There have been more than 20 incidents of flooding at U.S. nuclear plants, according to David Lochbaum, a former nuclear engineer and director of the nuclear safety project at the Union of Concerned Scientists.

“As of September 2019, 444 nuclear reactors are operating in the world, with 54 under



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responding to COVID-19’s economic devastation, and could yet help fund a just transition to a decarbonized future, along the lines of a Green New Deal.

Yet, despite California’s agenda-setting reputation, *Project Censored* notes that, “No major corporate media outlets appear to have devoted recent coverage to this important and timely topic.”

“The Bank of North Dakota was founded in 1919 in response to a farmers’ revolt against out-of-state banks that were foreclosing unfairly on their farms,” Ellen Brown, founder of the Public Banking

easily withdraw from doing business with fossil fuel-financing banks – Wells Fargo, in this case – governments have no such similar options to meet all their banking needs.

In short, “From efforts to divest public employee pension funds from the fossil fuel industry and private prisons, to funding the proposed Green New Deal, and counteracting the massive, rapid shutdown of the economy caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, public banking has never seemed more relevant,” *Project Censored* wrote.

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construction, 111 planned and 330 more proposed,” Charman reported.

“Many of the world’s new nuclear plants are being built on the coasts of Asian countries, which face floods, sea-level rise and typhoons,” Vidal wrote. “At least 15 of China’s 39 reactors in operation, and many of the plants it has under construction, are on the coast.”

“Nuclear stations are on the front line of climate change impacts both figuratively and quite literally,” leading climate scientist Michael Mann told Vidal. “We are likely profoundly underestimating climate change risk and damages in coastal areas.”

10. Revive journalism with a stimulus package and public option

In late March, Congress passed and President Trump signed a \$2.2 trillion coronavirus rescue package, including direct payments of \$1,200 per adult and more than \$500 billion for large corporations. Before passage, Craig Aaron, the president of Free Press, argued that a stimulus package for journalism was also urgently needed. “In the face of this pandemic, the public needs good, economically secure journalists more than ever, separating fact from fiction, and holding politicians and powerful institutions accountable,” Aaron wrote in the *Columbia Journalism Review*.

Aaron’s organization, Free Press, placed journalism’s needs at \$5 billion in immediate

emergency funds, “less than half of one percent of a trillion-dollar recovery package” and asked that “Congress put a foundation in place to help sustain journalism over the long term.”

Aaron presented a three-pronged plan: First, “Doubling federal funds for public media,” not for “Downton Abbey” reruns, but “earmarked specifically for emergency support, education and especially local journalism.”

Second, “Direct support for daily and weekly newsrooms,” which have lost tens of thousands of jobs over the past three decades. “Direct, emergency subsidies of, say, \$25,000 per newsgathering position could make sure reporters everywhere stay on the local COVID beat,” he wrote. “Just \$625 million would help retain 25,000 newsroom jobs.”

Third, “New investments in the news we need... for a major investment in services that provide community information [and] to support new positions, outlets and approaches to newsgathering, [which could] prioritize places and populations that the mainstream outlets have never served well.”

“While corporate news outlets have reported the ongoing demise of newspapers and especially local news sources, they have rarely covered proposals . . . to revitalize journalism through public funding,” *Project Censored* wrote.

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Surprise a hungry neighbor

A new twist on ding-dong-ditch

FOOD | Ashley Meyer

Once a naughty childhood prank, “ding-dong-ditch” has taken on new meaning in the era of social distancing. Normally the game involves ringing someone’s doorbell and trying to get away before they answer, perhaps leaving something vile on the doorstep. Now, instead of little kids leaving toads on the doormat, it’s grown to adults dropping off treat boxes and casseroles before scampering away to their minivans.

Playing ding-dong-ditch is fun, a little dorky, and may be just what we need in these cold, uncertain times. With the holidays just around the corner and so many folks running on empty, finding meaningful connection is as important now as it ever was. Parties are definitely out this season but that doesn’t have to mean an end to spreading good cheer. Consider instead making some yummy treats and dropping them off at a friend’s house in advance of your next social zoom call, or whipping up a surprise dinner for someone desperately in need of a break.

Aluminum catering pans are an ideal option for giving away goodies. The lids seal well and they can be stacked, making transport a breeze. The 9-inch x 13-inch half-sized pan is perfect both for casseroles or a dozen muffins, and while they are technically disposable they are sturdy enough that I often find myself washing and reusing them. Assembling a surprise treat box is also an excellent opportunity to support local businesses by rounding out your offering with a small bag of freshly roasted coffee, a bottle of wine from a local shop, or some yummy handmade chocolates.

Ding-dong-ditch Lasagna

16 oz cottage cheese
1 egg
¼ cup chopped fresh parsley or basil (optional but nice)
2-3 cloves mixed garlic
¼ teaspoon each dried thyme, oregano and black pepper
1 box no-boil lasagna noodles
32 oz marinara sauce
Up to 3 cups of add-ins like crumbled cooked sausage or sautéed peppers, onions and/or mushrooms
16 oz chopped frozen spinach (If it is in a

block, thaw it but don’t drain. If it’s frozen loose in a bag you can use it as is.)

8 oz shredded Monterey Jack or mozzarella cheese

½ cup grated Parmesan

Combine the cottage cheese, egg, chopped herbs if using, minced garlic, dried herbs and black pepper in a bowl and mix well.

Spray a deep 9-inch x 13-inch pan with cooking spray. Pour about ½ cup of the marinara sauce into the bottom of the pan and spread it around the bottom of the pan with a spatula. Layer a third of the noodles over the bottom of the pan.

Spread half of the cottage cheese mixture over the noodles in the pan. Sprinkle half of the spinach and half of any add-ins you’re using. Layer a third of the shredded cheese over the spinach, then drizzle about a cup and a half of the marinara over the top. Repeat with another layer of noodles, cottage cheese, veggies, shredded cheese and sauce, then top with the final layer of noodles. Spread the remaining sauce over the noodles. Pour about ½ cup of water into the sauce jar, replace the lid and shake the jar, then pour the saucy water over the noodles. Top with the remaining cheese and grated parmesan.

Cover the pan tightly with a piece of foil that’s been sprayed with cooking spray to keep the cheese from sticking as it cooks.

At this point the lasagna can be refrigerated for two days or frozen for several weeks.

Bake, covered with foil, in a 350-degree oven for 45 minutes. Remove the foil and bake for 15-20 minutes more, until bubbly and throughout.

If baking from frozen, reduce oven temperature to 325 degrees and increase cooking time by 30-40 minutes.

Roasted Apple Breakfast Cake

For the streusel:
1/3 cup brown sugar
2/3 cup flour
½ teaspoon
A pinch of salt
¼ cup soft butter

For the cake:
4 large apples



1 teaspoon neutral oil
2 cups flour (All-purpose, whole wheat or gluten free-flour all work well.)
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon cloves
¼ cup butter, at room temperature
1 egg, at room temperature
½ cup milk

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees. Lightly spray a 9-inch round or square cake pan with cooking spray.

Core and chop the apples into ½-inch chunks and toss them with the oil before spreading them out onto a parchment-lined baking sheet. Roast them in the oven for 15-20 minutes until fork-tender, then set aside to cool to room temperature.

Combine the flour, baking powder, salt

and spices in a small mixing bowl. In a separate bowl, cream together the butter, sugar and egg. Mix the flour and milk alternatively into the creamed butter mixture, starting and ending with the flour. Gently fold in the roasted apples before spooning the cake batter into the prepared pan. Sprinkle the streusel and bake for 40-45 minutes, or until a skewer comes out clean. Remove from the oven and cool on a rack for 10 minutes. You can serve it right out of the pan, or turn it out onto a plate and finish with a drizzle of apple icing made from whisking one tablespoon of apple cider into one cup of powdered sugar.

This cake can be prepared the night before you intend to bake it. Spoon the batter into the pan but don’t add the streusel topping. Cover and refrigerate overnight, then sprinkle the streusel topping on just before you plan to bake it and increase the cooking time by 10-15 minutes. □



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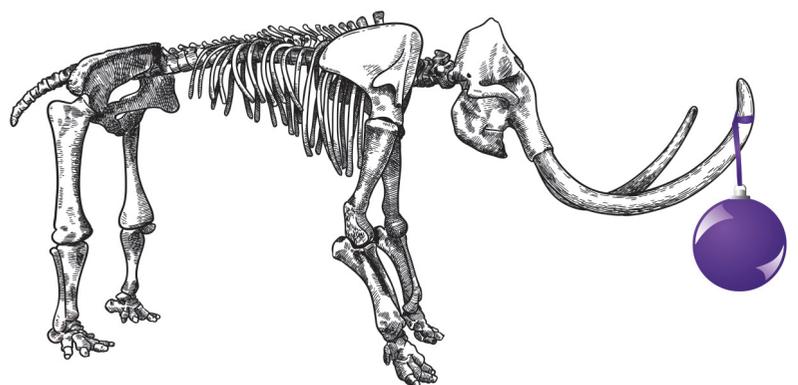
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Onto online again

NOW PLAYING | Tom Irwin

As we waltz into arguably (try to argue that it isn't!) the most peculiar holiday season of our lifetimes, let's be sure to stay aware of those in need and make needed changes to regular routines to help us all stay safe and sound. Even though many of the familiar events we all look forward to each year during this time are not happening or going to happen, we can make the best of what is going on and will be happening, hopefully finding a different and doable way of appreciating our holiday season.

As local, live, in-person music has again practically disappeared due to COVID concerns, many have turned to online platforms to experience music performances. One good thing about going down this same path we traveled last spring is now we're somewhat more experienced livestreamers. I know most musicians are more adept at using microphones and cameras or learning how to dial in the phone to get better sounds and sights than the first time around. By the same token, listeners or watchers -- or whatever we call an online audience (watchers?) -- may find themselves better equipped to handle this new way of participating in the power of live music at this point in the progress of the pandemic.

Some locals are now going back online with regular and/or random streaming shows, mostly on Facebook Live. In case you don't know, "following" someone you enjoy is an option, so when the artist goes all "FB Live" on you, the mysterious and ubiquitous, yet hospitable and always helpful Facebook folks send a notification to your device. There are other popular platforms you can visit, such as YouTube, Stageit and Twitch, plus lesser-known spots like StreetJelly, The Verdict and YouNow, all constantly live-streaming hundreds of shows from artists the world over. One of the benefits of this crazy time comes through discovering music artists by browsing these sites. So if you've got a hankering for live music and want to take a crazy, experimental online trip for mostly free (some platforms ask for upfront payments to be divided with the artist), get to searching and see what you can find. Perhaps your next favorite music maker is anxiously awaiting discovery on some obscure livestream site, strumming away on her guitar, singing a sweet song, hoping to catch the attention of a listener and make a buck or two as well. Back here in our community, classical



The Marina V Show streams live on Twitch every Thursday night and Sunday afternoon.

PHOTO BY AMELIA YOKEL

music makes a good online showing, including the annual First Presbyterian Church Brown Bag holiday performances now on Zoom every Wednesday at noon, plus regular concerts, lectures and recitals by the Illinois Symphony Orchestra such as the Beethoven at 250 lecture this Thursday with Maestro Ken Lam and the Sunday at Six weekly recital series.

We have a couple other internet interests with local connections happening as well. Joshua Reilly, a central Illinois native and singer-songwriter who is making a good name for himself in the central Florida music scene, livestreams on Facebook this Thursday and Dec. 17, at 7 p.m. (CST). Moscow, Russia native Marina V, an Illinois College alumnus and a successful, international singer-songwriter based in southern California, performs from home via Twitch every Thursday night at 9 and Sunday afternoons at 2:30.

The only in-person live music that's in what's left of our mitigation-decimated listings happens Saturday night at the Adams Family Patio (well-heated, I am sure) in front of Buzz Bomb and features smooth-singing jazz vocalist Johnnie Owens from 5 to 7, followed by rising star and Nashville, Tennessee recording artist Dylan Raymond.

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and Abraham Lincoln. Visit the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum Facebook page and click on the event at the designated time. Free. 217-558-8844.

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HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS | Nativities past and present

it This holiday season, the Chiara Center's program director, Dan Frachey, will lead a series of presentations on Nativity scenes. The series begins on Friday evening, Dec. 4, as the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis share Nativities that represent the five countries of their international community – Germany, Poland, Japan, India and the U.S. On Saturday evening, Dec. 5, local families will share their Nativity scenes and talk about why the scenes hold special meaning to them. During the final presentation, narrators will read the stories of notable Nativities from past Franciscan Nativity festivals. The Chiara Center, a Franciscan place of spirituality, is a ministry of the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis, an international congregation founded in Germany in 1844. Their U.S. province, based in Springfield, was founded in 1875 when sisters arrived here from Germany. To receive the Zoom link to attend the presentations, email a request to info@chiaracenter.org by Dec. 4.

and enjoy all of the fun. Downtown Springfield, 217-544-1723.

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Food Drive

Sat., Dec. 5, 8am-12pm. Hunger impacts nearly 100,000 of our neighbors in central and southern Illinois. Food donors can take advantage of contactless drop-off. Donations to benefit area micro-pantries, Springfield Immigrant Advocacy Network (SIAN) and UIS Cares Food Pantry. Prevention First, Inc., 2800 Montvale Dr., 217-299-4747.

Stuff the Sleigh for Springfield

Wed., Dec. 9, 5-8pm. The Springfield Jaycees is accepting new toys, books, warm weather gear and

non-perishable food items for local organizations and micro pantries. Drive up for no-contact drop offs at the corner of Fifth and Jackson streets. Part of the Old Capitol Holiday Walks. Illinois Governor's Mansion, 410 E. Jackson St., 217-782-6450.

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Real Estate Foreclosure

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY—SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS
Illinois Housing Development Authority, Plaintiff,
vs.
Shavonne M. Harmon aka Shavonne Harmon; Steven D. Harmon aka Steven Harmon; Defendants.
CASE NO. 20 CH 48
303 South State Street, Springfield, Illinois 62704

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE
Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a judgment of said Court entered in the above-entitled cause on September 16, 2020, I, Sheriff, Jack Campbell of Sangamon County, Illinois, will hold a sale on December 29, 2020, commencing at 9:00 AM, at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, to sell to the highest bidder or bidders the following described real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said decree, to-wit:

Commonly known as: 303 South State Street, Springfield, Illinois 62704
P.I.N.: 14-33.0-129-019
First mortgage Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$63,616.86
IN ACCORDANCE WITH 735 ILCS 5/15-1507(c)(1)(H-1) AND (H-2), 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(5), AND 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1), YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE PURCHASER OF THE PROPERTY, OTHER THAN A MORTGAGEE, SHALL PAY THE ASSESSMENTS AND LEGAL FEES REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS (g)(1) AND (g)(4) OF SECTION 9 AND THE ASSESSMENTS AND COURT COSTS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (g-1) OF SECTION 18.5 OF THE ILLINOIS CONDOMINIUM PROPERTY ACT
Terms of Sale: CASH – 10% down at the time of sale and the balance due within

24 hours of the sale. All payments for the amount bid shall be in certified funds payable to the Sheriff of Sangamon County. The person to contact for information regarding this property is:
Sales Department at Diaz Anselmo Lindberg, LLC, 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL, 60563, (630) 453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit www.dallegal.com 24 hours prior to sale. This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Diaz Anselmo Lindberg, LLC
1771 W. Diehl Rd., Ste 120
Naperville, IL 60563-4947
630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-428-4620 (fax)
Attorney No. Cook 58852, DuPage 293191, Kane 031-26104, Peoria 1794, Winnebago 3802, IL 03126232
MidwestPleadings@dallegal.com
THIS LAW FIRM IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS HEARTLAND CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff, -v- KRISTY METZ, Defendant
19 CH 384

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on February 26, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on December 16, 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 29 HAWTHORN LN., PLEASANT PLAINS, IL 62677
Property Index No. 04-31.0-227-005
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.
The judgment amount was \$120,829.46.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.
The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation

as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.
You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.
For information, HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 396492.
THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION
One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE
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Attorney File No. 396492
TJSC#: 40-2366
Case Number: 19 CH 384
NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Case # 19 CH 384

NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff, vs. DOUGLAS W. PALME AKA DOUGLAS PALME, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND TIMBERLINE TRAIL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, Defendants.
CASE NO. 19-CH-323 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 4124 CLEARWATER LN. SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703
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: Permanent Index Number: 22-21.0-231-007
Commonly known as: 4124 Clearwater

Ln., Springfield, IL 62703
will be offered for sale and sold at public venue on January 5, 2021, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.
The Judgment amount is \$113,072.73.
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.
CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,
Veronika J. Miles (#6313161), Its Attorney Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC
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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 BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., Plaintiff, vs. JEROD HOCKENSMITH AKA JEROD DANIAL HOCKENSMITH, JEANNE WELLS HOCKENSMITH AKA JEANNE J. WELLS-HOCKENSMITH AND GLENWOOD PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, Defendants.
CASE NO. 19-CH-425 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 78 STONY CREEK 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 October 14, 2020, the following described real estate, to-wit: Permanent Index Number: 29-08.0-454-017
Commonly known as: 78 Stony Creek Dr., Chatham, IL 62629
will be offered for sale and sold at public venue on December 15, 2020, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.
The Judgment amount is \$220,247.98.
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

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 BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., Plaintiff,
Veronika J. Miles (#6313161), Its Attorney Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC
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PUBLIC NOTICES

COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY ILLINOIS
ESTATE OF MARY O. HERRON, DECEASED
NO.: 2020-P-634

CLAIMS NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Mary O. Herron. Letters of Office were issued on November 19, 2020, to Sandra Jo Westbrook, 25399 Highway W, Rocky Mount, Missouri, as Executor.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62704, or with the Executor, or both, within 6 months from the date of the first publication of this notice, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Executor and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 19th day of November, 2020.
Kevin N. McDermott
Attorney for the Estate of Mary O. Herron

109 South Seventh Street
Springfield, IL 62701
(217) 753-4070

IL REG NO 6196497
kevin@kevinmcdermott.com

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

In Re the Estate of:
ROLAND D. CULL, Deceased.
Case No.: 2020-P-589

CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of Roland D. Cull of Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on November 5, 2020, to Susan Ellen Ryder Cull, as Independent Executor, whose address is 111 Linden Lane, Springfield, Illinois 62712, and whose attorney is Barry O. Hines, 1224 Centre West Drive, Suite 200A, Springfield, Illinois 62704.

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.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before May 26, 2021, 2021, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated this 10th day of November, 2020.
Susan Ellen Ryder Cull
Independent Executor

Barry O. Hines - 01220918
Attorney at Law
1224 Centre West Drive, Suite 200A
Springfield, IL 62704
Telephone: (217) 698-8444
Email: barry@hineslaw.net

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

ESTATE OF HARRY DAVID BURGE,
Deceased

No.: 2020-P-625

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE
INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

Notice is given of the death of HARRY DAVID BURGE.

Letters of office were issued on November 19, 2020, to JONNI LEE GILMAN as Independent Representative whose attorney is FeldmanWasser, 1307 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, Springfield, Illinois or with the Representative, or both, on or before May 19, 2021, or within 3 months from the date of mailing or delivery to a creditor whose name and post office address is known to or reasonably ascertainable by the representative, whichever is later, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative or the attorney within 10 days after filing.

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 19th day of November, 2020.
JONNI LEE GILMAN, Executor
By: /s/Stanley N. Wasser
Stanley N. Wasser #2947307
Attorney for Executor
FeldmanWasser
1307 South Seventh Street
PO Box 2418
Springfield, IL 62705
(217) 544-3403
swasser@feldman-wasser.com

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

ESTATE OF MATTHEW ROBERT FOLEY,
Deceased

No.: 2020-P-615

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

Notice is given of the death of MATTHEW ROBERT FOLEY. Letters of office were issued on November 19, 2020, to CHRISTINA MARIE FOLEY as Independent Representative whose attorney is FeldmanWasser, 1307 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, Springfield, Illinois or with the Representative, or both, on or before May 19, 2021, or within 3 months from the date of mailing or delivery to a creditor whose name and post office address is known to or reasonably ascertainable by the representative, whichever is later, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative or the attorney within 10 days after filing.

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 19th day of November, 2020.
CHRISTINA MARIE FOLEY
Administrator

By: /s/Stanley N. Wasser
Stanley N. Wasser #2947307
Attorney for Administrator
FeldmanWasser
1307 South Seventh Street
PO Box 2418
Springfield, IL 62705
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swasser@feldman-wasser.com

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

In the Matter of the Estate of:

Ellen Marie Kumble, Deceased.
No. 2020-P-610

NOTICE TO HEIRS AND NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given of the death of Ellen Marie Kumble, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters Testamentary were issued on November 12, 2020, to Nicole E. Kumble, 111 Acklen Park Drive, Apt. 531, Nashville, Tennessee, 37203, 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 Ellen Marie Kumble of the entry of the Order as set forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring Nicole E. Kumble and Brian R. Kumble as the only heirs of Ellen Marie Kumble.

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:

Muriel Baker, Deceased.
No. 2020-P-609

NOTICE TO HEIRS AND NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given of the death of Muriel Baker, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters Testamentary were issued on November 12, 2020, to Brett Baker, 2013 Hood Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62703, 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 Muriel Baker of the entry of the Order as set forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring Brett Baker and Brian Baker as the only heirs of Muriel Baker.

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

In the Matter of the Estate of:

Judy A. Sporrer, Deceased.
No. 2020-P-583

NOTICE TO HEIRS AND NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given of the death of Judy A. Sporrer, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters Testamentary were issued on November 5, 2020, to Lorie A. Sporrer, 7204 Royal Troon Court, 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 Judy A. Sporrer of the entry of the Order as set forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring Lorie A. Sporrer, Cindy S. Miller, Shane A. Sporrer, Ronald E. Sporrer, Jr. and Michael C. Sporrer as the only heirs of Judy A. Sporrer.

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

ESTATE OF

ANNA JEAN WANLESS, Deceased
Case No. 2020-P-608

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of ANNA JEAN WANLESS. Letters of Office were issued on November 24, 2020 to MARSHA FOGLEMAN, 2305 Mascouten Dr., Springfield, IL as Independent Executive whose attorney is Donald M. Craven, 1005 N. 7th

Street, Springfield, IL, 62702.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the Representative, or both, within 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 of the Circuit Court must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

/s/ Donald M. Craven
Donald M. Craven (#6180492) Attorney for Independent Executor
Donald M. Craven, P.C.
1005 North Seventh Street
Springfield, IL 62702
Telephone: (217) 544-1777
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ESTATE OF JOSEPH G. ROGERS,
Deceased.

Case No. 2020 P 622

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of JOSEPH G. ROGERS. Letters of Administration were issued on November 17, 2020 to KAREN E. SCHNELL of Springfield, Illinois.

Claims against the estate may be filed within six months from the date of first publication. Any claim not filed within six months from the date of first publication or claims not filed within three months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to Creditors, whichever is later, shall be barred.

Claims may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, or with the administrator, or both.

Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the administrator and to their attorney within ten days after it has been filed.
DATED:
Law Offices, Donald A. LoBue
2001 School House Lane
Springfield, Illinois 62704
(217) 522-0018
lobueda@sbcglobal.net
ARDC # 1679996

STATE OF ILLINOIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

HELEN M. BARBER, Deceased.

NO. 20-P-603

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the death of Helen M. Barber of Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on November 17, 2020, to Patricia May Rohman, 1617 W. David, Chillicothe, Illinois 61523 and to Thomas Alan Barber, 240 E. Jefferson, Winchester, Illinois 62694, as Independent Successor Co-Executors, whose attorney is John D. Coonrod, 44 East Side Square, Winchester, Illinois 62694.

Claims may be filed on or before May 25, 2021. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred, except that claim of a creditor who has been notified by mail or delivery of notice shall be barred on said date or three months from the date of such mailing or delivery, whichever is later. Claims may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of said Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, with the Independent Successor Co-Executors,

or both.

Dated this 17th day of November, 2020.
Patricia May Rohman and Thomas Alan Barber, Independent Successor Co-Executors of the Estate of Helen M. Barber, Deceased

By: John D. Coonrod their attorney
John D. Coonrod
Attorney for Independent Successor Co-Executors
P.O. Box 197 Winchester, IL 62694
Telephone: (217) 742-3455

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

Re: the marriage of

Nadine Wright. Petitioner

and

Everette Haskim, Respondent

Case No. 2014-D-655

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

Notice is given you Everette Haskim,

Respondent herein, that this cause has

been commenced against you in this court

asking for a dissolution of marriage and

other relief.

Unless you file your response or otherwise

file your appearance in this cause in the

office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon

County, in Springfield, Illinois on or before

the

19th day of December, 2020 a judgment

of dissolution of marriage and other relief

may be granted as prayed for in the

Petition.

Paul Palazzolo

Circuit Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY

Re: the marriage of

Heidi Fields. Petitioner

and

Tyotis Fields, Respondent

Case No. 2020-D-491

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

Notice is given you Tyotis Fields, Respondent

herein, that this cause has been

commenced against you in this court

asking for a dissolution of marriage and

other relief.

Unless you file your response or otherwise

file your appearance in this cause in the

office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon

County, in Springfield, Illinois on or before

the

26th day of December, 2020 a judgment

of dissolution of marriage and other relief

may be granted as prayed for in the

Petition.

Paul Palazzolo

Circuit Clerk

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

In the matter of the Petition of

JIMARIYON LEE WADE

JAMAJIAH LYNNETTE WADE

For change of name to

JIMARIYON LEE CRAWFORD

JAMAJIAH LYNNETTE CRAWFORD

Case No.: 2020-MR-998

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on

December 8, 2020 I will petition in said

Court praying for the change of name

from JIMARIYON LEE WADE and

JAMAJIAH LYNNETTE WADE to JIMARIYON

LEE CRAWFORD and JAMAJIAH LYNNETTE

CRAWFORD pursuant to the statute

in such case made and provided.

Dated: November 19, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of GABRIEL SEBASTIAN DEMARCO RIGGS-LUNA

For change of name to GABRIEL SEBASTIAN WAYNE RIGGS-BLOOMFIELD

Case NO.: 2020-MR-984

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on December 8, 2020 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from GABRIEL SEBASTIAN DEMARCO RIGGS-LUNA

To GABRIEL SEBASTIAN WAYNE RIGGS-BLOOMFIELD pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.

Dated: December 3, 2020

F20010226 DMI

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

Illinois Housing Development Authority, Plaintiff,

vs.

Shavonne M. Harmon aka Shavonne Harmon; Steven D. Harmon aka Steven Harmon; Defendants.

CASE NO. 20 CH 48

303 South State Street, Springfield, Illinois 62704

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a judgment of said Court entered in the above-entitled cause on September 16, 2020, I, Sheriff, Jack Campbell of Sangamon County, Illinois, will hold a sale on December 29, 2020, commencing at 9:00 AM, at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, to sell to the highest bidder or bidders the following described real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said decree, to-wit:

THE SOUTH 34 FEET OF LOT 2 IN BLOCK 2 OF W. T. SCHERR'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as: 303 South State Street, Springfield, Illinois 62704

P.I.N.: 14-33.0-129-019

First mortgage Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$63,616.86

IN ACCORDANCE WITH 735 ILCS 5/15-1507(c)(1)(H-1) AND (H-2), 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(5), AND 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1), YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE PURCHASER OF THE PROPERTY, OTHER THAN A MORTGAGEE, SHALL PAY THE ASSESSMENTS AND LEGAL FEES REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS (g)(1) AND (g)(4) OF SECTION 9 AND THE ASSESSMENTS AND COURT COSTS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (g-1) OF SECTION 18.5 OF THE ILLINOIS CONDOMINIUM PROPERTY ACT

Terms of Sale: CASH – 10% down at the time of sale and the balance due within 24 hours of the sale. All payments for the amount bid shall be in certified funds payable to the Sheriff of Sangamon County. The person to contact for information regarding this property is:

Sales Department at Diaz Anselmo Lindberg, LLC, 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL, 60563, (630) 453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit www.dallegal.com 24 hours prior to sale. This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Diaz Anselmo Lindberg, LLC

1771 W. Diehl Rd., Ste 120

Naperville, IL 60563-4947

630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-

428-4620 (fax)

Attorney No. Cook 58852, DuPage

293191, Kane 031-26104,

Peoria 1794, Winnebago 3802, IL

03126232

MidwestPleadings@dallegal.com

THIS LAW FIRM IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY—SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

PNC Bank, National Association, Plaintiff,

vs.

Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Judith P. Ward; Peter J. Ward, Individually and as Independent Administrator of Judith K. Ward; Joseph Ward; Michael Ward; Kathleen O'Brien; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants. CASE NO. 20 CH 173

511 West Allen Street, Springfield, Illinois 62704

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Judith P. Ward, UNKNOWN HEIRS and LEGATEES of Judith Ward and UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

LOT 25 IN BLOCK 2 IN ALEXANDER STARNE'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD.

EXCEPT ALL COAL, MINERALS AND MINING RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED OF RECORD.

SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

P.I.N.: 14-33.0-451-031

Said property is commonly known as 511 West Allen Street, Springfield, Illinois 62704, and which said mortgage(s) was/were made by Judith P. Ward and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 2013R06917 and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending.

NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Sangamon County on or before January 4, 2021, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp.

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20CH173

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF KENNETH E. STINNETT, deceased, JASON K. STINNETT, WILLIAM R. STINNETT, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. No. 2020CH00188

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF KENNETH E. STINNETT, deceased and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS of the real estate described below, Defendants in the above-entitled case, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that the above-entitled mortgage foreclosure suit is now pending in said court and the day on or after which a default may be entered against Defendants is January 7, 2021. Plaintiff has certified the following regarding said foreclosure action filed on November 19, 2020.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case Number are as follows: United Community Bank, an Illinois banking corporation; Case No. 2020CH00188

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

3. The names of the title holders of record are: Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Kenneth E. Stinnett, deceased

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

The following described real estate situated in the County of Sangamon, in the State of Illinois, to wit:

The North 70 feet of the East 5 feet of Lot 12 in Call and Landgrebe Subdivision also part of Lot 37 in West Grand Place in the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 15 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, the boundary of said part being further described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pin, 105.0 feet North of a concrete monument on the East line of Lot 37, said concrete monument being 175.0 feet South of the Northeast Corner of Lot 37, thence Westerly 143.80 feet parallel to and 70.0 feet Southerly from the North line of Lot 37, thence Easterly 143.70 feet along said North line of Lot 37 to an iron pin at the Northeast Corner of Lot 37, thence Southerly 70.0 feet along the East line of Lot 37 to the Point of Beginning.

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 3021 S. Park Avenue, Springfield, Illinois

6. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: Name of Mortgagor: Kenneth E. Stinnett Name of Mortgagee: United Community Bank

Date of Mortgage: February 1, 2010 Date of recording: March 3, 2010 County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2010R06482 /s/ Paul Palazzolo

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Emmet A. Fairfield Registration No. 6180505

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20CH188

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

J D M FOODS, INC., an Illinois corporation, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through

the UNITED STATES SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, a

municipal corporation, JARRED MC-CORMICK,

SARAH MCCORMICK, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No. 2020CH00185

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS of the real estate described below, Defendants in the above-entitled case, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that the above-entitled mortgage foreclosure suit is now pending in said court and the day on or after which a default may be entered against Defendants is January 7, 2021.

Plaintiff has certified the following regarding said foreclosure action filed on November 18, 2020.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case Number are as follows: United Community Bank, an Illinois banking corporation, 2020CH00185

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

3. The name of the title holder of record is: J D M Foods, Inc.

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

Lots Twenty-Six and Twenty-Seven in Cummins, Schnepf and Wieland's Subdivision, as shown on Plat recorded December 13, 1905 in Plat Book 4 Page 6. Except any interest in the coal, oil, gas and other minerals underlying the land which have been heretofore conveyed or reserved in prior conveyances, and all rights and easements in favor of the estate of said coal, oil, gas and other minerals, if any.

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 1510 N. 15th Street, Springfield, Illinois

6. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: Name of Mortgagor: J D M Foods, Inc. Name of Mortgagee: United Community Bank

Date of Mortgage: June 28, 2017 Date of recording: June 29, 2017 County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2017R16349 /s/ Paul Palazzolo

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

HEARTLAND CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff, -v.-

KRISTY METZ, Defendant

19 CH 384

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on February 26, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on December 16, 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:

LOT 29 OF FOREST VIEW PLAT I, AS PER PLAT RECORDED JUNE 21, 1977 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 388448, PLAT BOOK 22, PAGE 98. 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.

Commonly known as 29 HAWTHORN LN., PLEASANT PLAINS, IL 62677

Property Index No. 04-31.0-227-005

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$120,829.46. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSES-

SION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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

For information, HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 396492.

THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE

You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC 111 East Main Street DECATUR IL, 62523

217-422-1719 Fax #: 217-422-1754

E-Mail: Non-CookPleadings@hsbattys.com Attorney File No. 396492

Case Number: 19 CH 384 TJS# 40-2366

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

Case # 19 CH 384

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

STATE BANK OF LINCOLN, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff,

v.

EXTREME CLEAN CAR WASH, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company, PAUL R. BEYER, DANIEL L. SPLAIN, DAVID E. JACOBS, DENISE L. JACOBS, UNKNOWN TENANTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No.: 2017-CH-261

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE Notice is given to defendants, UNKNOWN TENANTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, of the following described real estate, that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action is now pending, and the day on or after which a default may be entered against said defendants is DECEMBER 28, 2020.

The Plaintiff has certified that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action was filed on August 3, 2017, and is now pending.

COUNT I: Foreclosure of 2620 Adlai Stevenson Drive, Springfield, Illinois

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

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

(iii) The name of the title holder of record is:

Extreme Clean Car Wash, LLC.

(iv) A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:

Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 14, Township 15 North, Range 5 west of the Third Principal Meridian, described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Northwest Quarter Northeast Quarter; thence West along the North line of said Northwest Quarter Northeast Quarter, 4.07 feet to the intersection of the centerline of West Lake Shore Drive, said point being 25.00 feet North of the centerline of Stevenson Drive; thence South along the centerline of West Lake Shore Drive,

200.00 feet to a point; thence Westerly and parallel with the centerline of Stevenson Drive, a distance of 46.00 feet to a set iron pin on the Westerly right-of-way of West Lake Shore Drive, a distance of 100.00 feet to a set iron pin being 50.00 feet Northerly of the North line of Lot 9 of Lake Plaza Subdivision; thence West and parallel with the centerline of Stevenson Drive, a distance of 234.00 feet to a set iron pin lying 50.00 feet North of the North line of Lot 12 of Lake Plaza Subdivision; thence North and parallel with the centerline of West Lake Shore Drive, a distance of 222.00 feet to a set iron pin on the South right-of-way of Stevenson Drive, thence East and parallel with the centerline of Stevenson Drive, a distance of 50.00 feet to a set iron pin on the South right-of-way of Stevenson Drive; thence South and parallel with the centerline of West Lake Shore Drive, a distance of 122.00 feet to a found iron pin; thence East and parallel with the centerline of Stevenson Drive, a distance of 184.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Except the coal and other minerals underlying the surface of said land and all rights and easements in favor of the estate of said coal and minerals.

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax ID Number: 22-14-204-016

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

2620 Adlai Stevenson Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62703

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

(A) First Mortgage

(1) Nature of instrument: Mortgage.
(2) Date of mortgage: December 12, 2003.

(3) Name of mortgagor: Extreme Clean Car Wash LLC, an Illinois limited liability company.

(4) Name of mortgagee: State Bank of Lincoln.

(5) Date and place of recording: December 19, 2003 in the Recorder's Office of Sangamon County, Sangamon County, Illinois.

(6) Identification of recording: Document Number 2003R87825.

(B) Second Mortgage

(1) Nature of instrument: Mortgage.
(2) Date of mortgage: September 20, 2004.

(3) Name of mortgagor: Extreme Clean Car Wash, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company.

(4) Name of mortgagee: State Bank of Lincoln.

(5) Date and place of recording: September 27, 2004 in the Recorder's Office of Sangamon County, Sangamon County, Illinois.

(6) Identification of recording: Document Number 2004R47492.

COUNT III: Foreclosure of 3441 Hazlett Road, Springfield, Illinois

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

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

(iii) The names of the title holders of record are:

David E. Jacobs and Denise L. Jacobs.
(iv) A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:

Lot 17 of Carriage Hills North First Plat, a subdivision in the Southeast Quarter of Section 11, Township 16 North, Range 6 West of the Third Principal Meridian.

Subject to Restrictions and Reservations of record, if any.

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax ID Number: 13-11-401-006.

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

3441 Hazlett Road, Springfield, Illinois 62707

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

(A) Nature of instrument: Mortgage.

(B) Date of mortgage: November 14, 2009.

(C) Name of mortgagor: David E. Jacobs and Denise L. Jacobs

(D) Name of mortgagee: State Bank of Lincoln.

(E) Date and place of recording: November 19, 2009 in the Recorder's Office of Sangamon County, Sangamon County, Illinois.

(F) Identification of recording: Document Number 2009R53061.

Paul Palazzolo

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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 CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.
DOUGLAS W. PALME AKA DOUGLAS PALME, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT and TIMBERLINE TRAIL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, Defendants.

CASE NO. 19-CH-323
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 4124 CLEARWATER LN.

SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703

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:

Lot Seven (7) in Timberline Trail-First Addition.

Except all coal and other minerals underlying said lands, together with the right to mine and remove same. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Permanent Index Number: 22-21.0-231-007

Commonly known as: 4124 Clearwater Ln., Springfield, IL 62703

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on January 5, 2021, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$113,072.73. 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.

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

vs.
JEROD HOCKENSMITH AKA JEROD DANIAL HOCKENSMITH, JEANNE WELLS HOCKENSMITH AKA JEANNE J. WELLS-HOCKENSMITH and GLENWOOD PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, Defendants.

CASE NO. 19-CH-425

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

78 STONY CREEK 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 October 14, 2020, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot 78 in Glenwood Park, Third Addition, according to the plat thereof recorded March 15, 1974 as Document Number 361711.

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: 29-08.0-454-017

Commonly known as: 78 Stony Creek Dr., Chatham, IL 62629

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on December 15, 2020, at 9:00 AM, in the Sangamon County Complex, County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Springfield, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$220,247.98. The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

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

JOSEPH G. ROGERS, Deceased.
CASE NO. 2020 P 622

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
You, PATRICIA CRADDOCK BROWN, WILLIAM MACOMB, DOUGLAS MACOMB, HEATHER CRADDOCK SAYLOR and UNKNOWN HEIRS, LEGATEES AND DEVISEES of the deceased JOSEPH G. ROGERS, are hereby notified that a Petition for Probate of Will and Letters of Administration have been filed in the above case.

UNLESS YOU file your appearance in this case on or before December 20, 2020 in the office of the Clerk of this Court, Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Fourth Floor, Springfield, Illinois, a JUDGEMENT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU.

Karen E. Schnell, Executor
By: Donald A. LoBue, attorney
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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice to enforce Self-storage lien for non-payment of rents due to Prairie Land Mini Storage, 2171 S. 9th Street Springfield, IL, (217)522-1836.

Andrea Vaughn- Unit 4, Travonna Howze- Units 63 & 68, Robert Bacon- Units 11 & 77, Martha Bates- Unit 9, and Lucille Butler- Units 82 & 83.

Disposal of said units will be Friday, December 18, 2020 unless payment is made in FULL.

SELL CONTENTS STORAGE

SELL-DECEMBER 4, 2020 2:00 P.M.

WESTSIDE MINI STORAGE

3142 S. DOUGLAS AVE. SF.IL.62704

Lorena Beard #113

3351 GAINES MILL RD. SF.IL.62703

Jason J. Blakley #103

1811 SEVEN PINES RD.#7 SF.IL.62704

Garland Blackwell # P-Q

3424 Gainesmiff rd. Sf.IL.62704

Kurt Curry # K-9

16 Concord Square #2

Boston, MA.02118

Linda-Rebecca Fulk #169 -#171

2101 S.Spring, Sf.IL. 62704

Tamra A. Gibbs #B-50

706 N.Brunn Ln,Apt.D. Sf.IL. 62702

Juanita Issaka #85

102 Holiday Park Village

Jamestown, N. Dekota 58401

Trina Jackson #K-22

2308 Elmhurst Ct. Sf.IL.62704

Elmer Keel Jr. # B-64

1516 S 7th St Sf. Il. 62703

Lori Maddox K-26

6872 Fulton Rd. New Berlin,IL.62670

Sheri Rainey # B-93

1123 S. Walnut Apt. D ,Sf.IL.62702

Christ Schleyhahn #149

330 E.Jefferson, Riverton, IL. 62561

Donte Smith-Green B-16

105 Outer Park Dr. Sf. Il. 62704

STATE OF ILLINOIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY

Latoya Gasper, Petitioner

vs.

Tramelle Furdge, Respondent

Case No: 2020-OP-1716

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

Tramelle Furdge, this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before December 24, 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: November 12, 2020

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

In the interest of SIR-KAYNE' MCCLAIN, a minor

Case No: 20-JA-103

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN RAYMOND PARKS, JR., RAMONE PARKS, AND UNKNOWN FATHERS, respondents, and to all whom it may concern, that on August 28, 2020 a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by State's Attorney's Office in this court and that in courtroom of Judge Karen Tharp or any judge sitting in her stead in Room 7A of Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, on DECEMBER 16, 2020 at 2:30 PM hear-

ing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO

TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR. IF THE PETITION

REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A

GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. UNLESS YOU APPEAR AT THE HEARING AND SHOW CAUSE TO THE CONTRARY, AN

ORDER OR JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF

ASKED IN THE PETITION. UNLESS YOU APPEAR AT THE HEARING, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN THIS CASE, INCLUDING

THE FILING OF AN AMENDED PETITION OR MOTION TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS.

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

In the interest of ALLYSIN EMBREE, a minor Case No: 19-JA-59

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN CHELSEY GARREN AND UNKNOWN FATHERS, respondents, and to all whom it

may concern, that on October 14, 2020 a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by State's Attorney's Office in this court and that in courtroom of Judge Karen Tharp or any judge sitting in her stead in Room 7A

of Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, on DECEMBER 23, 2020 at

9:00 AM hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE

CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN

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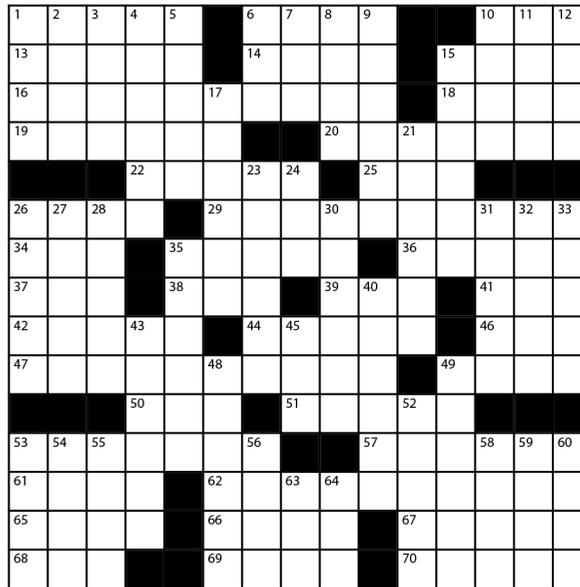
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Ground rule sorts Edited by J. Reynolds - No. 665

Across

- 1. "An Army ___"
- 6. Cowboy boot feature
- 10. Chowd down
- 13. Spanish boys
- 14. Alleviate
- 15. "Later!"
- 16. Betrayal
- 18. Annex: Abbr.
- 19. More spine-tingling
- 20. Go back
- 22. Related on mom's side
- 25. Homer's TV neighbor
- 26. Leave a mark on
- 29. Like some win margins
- 34. Tarzan creator's monogram
- 35. St. ___ fire
- 36. Old-fashioned
- 37. Tic-___-toe
- 38. Floral necklace
- 39. Payable now
- 41. Poodle's cry
- 42. Record half
- 44. Some Dodges
- 46. ___ Valley, San Francisco
- 47. One serving two masters
- 49. Aardvark's fare
- 50. ___ Aviv
- 51. Analyzes
- 53. "Toodle-oo"
- 57. Lemon, e.g.
- 61. Try, as a case
- 62. Go over a second time
- 65. Outback birds
- 66. "___ expert, but ..."
- 67. Poet Dickinson



- 68. Hi-___ graphics
- 69. Yesterday, in the Yucatán
- 70. Carvey and Delany
- Down**
- 1. ___ in a blue moon
- 2. Order after "Aim!"
- 3. "___ off?"
- 4. More meddlesome
- 5. German industrial city
- 6. To be, in Barcelona
- 7. Kung ___ chicken
- 8. "Back in the ___"
- 9. Take offense at
- 10. Assistant
- 11. Little ones
- 12. Geologic periods
- 15. Healthful exercise, informally
- 17. Newborn's bed
- 21. Actress Barbara Bel ___
- 23. The when of an event
- 24. It may be stroked
- 26. ___ course (plans)
- 27. Diet guru Jenny
- 28. Start of a series
- 30. Needs no more work
- 31. Former Padre, Tony
- 32. Dimwit
- 33. Varieties
- 35. Bringer of good news, perhaps
- 40. Take down, in a way
- 43. Steps in
- 45. Always, in verse
- 48. Singer Keys
- 49. Cause of wheezing
- 52. Cut into cubes
- 53. "Moonstruck" actress
- 54. Blood pigment
- 55. Waters, informally
- 56. "Good heavens!"
- 58. Harness part
- 59. Bruins' sch.
- 60. "The ___ the limit!"
- 63. Opposite of WSW
- 64. Where streets meet: Abbr.

Puzzle answers from this week will appear here next week



Crossword answers from #664

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

Sudoku answers from #664

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

JoshJosh answers from #664

JoshJosh by J. Reynolds - No. 665

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.

4x	10+			12x	11+
		4-			
2-	48x		3-		8+
		13+	6x		
3-					
24x		3÷		3-	

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		7			5
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Difficulty hard



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