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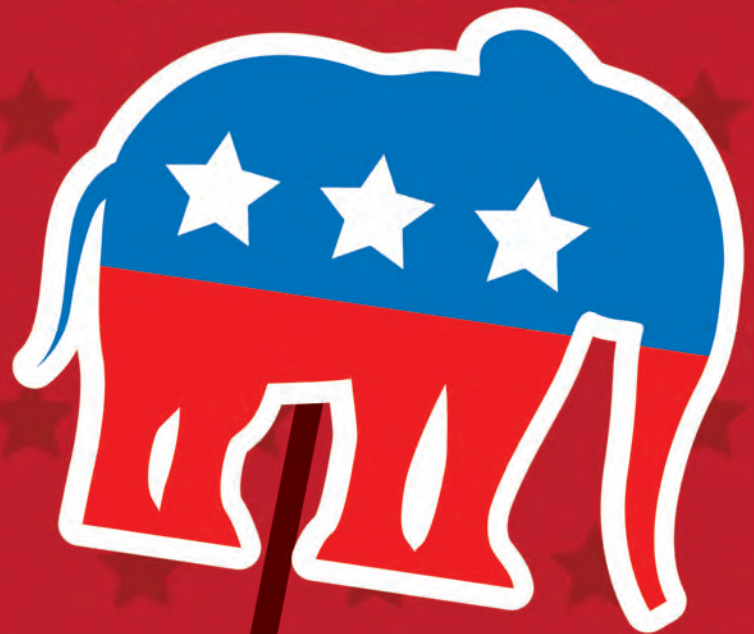
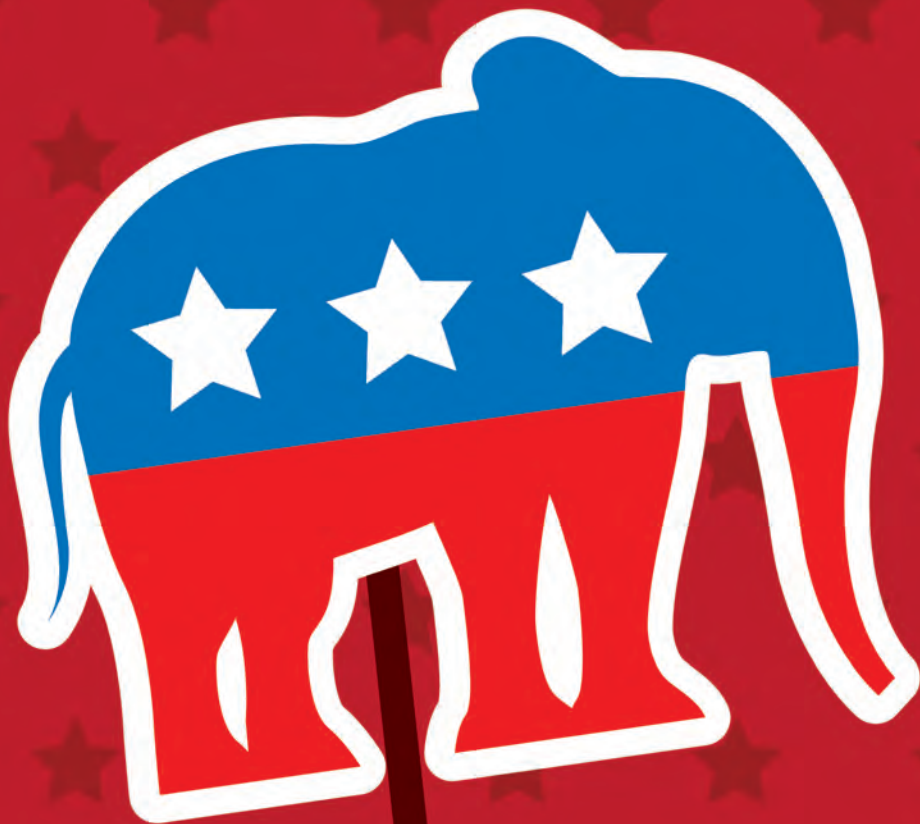


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# Bus driver shortages

A semester into in-person learning, it can still sometimes be a challenge to get kids to school

TRANSPORTATION | Kenneth Lowe

As schools brought students back into the classroom at the start of the semester under new COVID-19 pandemic protocols, they were met with a shortage of bus drivers. As the semester winds down, Springfield School District 186 reports fewer delays, but an ongoing shortage of drivers that sometimes results in doubled-up routes when drivers call in sick, or canceled field trips for lack of transportation. It's an ongoing issue with ties to the pandemic and the Great Resignation that economists say it's inspired.

"We have a handful of vacant routes that are still being combined, but some of the doubled-up routes from the beginning of the year have been restored," said Bree Hankins, public relations coordinator for the district. "We continue to experience delays, and our schools communicate that information directly to families."

There was a lot of covering for other drivers at the beginning of the year, said Richard Lopez with First Student, who has driven school buses on and off for 25 years. He said most routes are

fully covered now, but that it sometimes involves drivers handling more than their original workload. Field trips also occasionally can't find a driver, he said.

"Sometimes drivers have to do a run involving driving to an extra school in the morning or in the afternoon. Sometimes we combine routes," he said. "We do everything we have to do to get kids to school on time."

Field trips and athletic events that require drivers to transport students at irregular hours are handled through a bidding process with First Student, Hankins said. She said the district has been able to provide transportation for about 90% of athletic events. As of Friday, First Student's online hiring portal listed open positions in Springfield for a part-time bus driver at \$19 per hour with a \$2,000 signing bonus and a bus monitor at \$12 per hour.

For David Johnson, who recently ended his employment as a part-time bus driver with Rochester Community Unit School District 3A, events like field trips and athletic events were

among his reasons for leaving. He said a much-touted increase in rates intended to persuade more drivers to sign on for such assignments wasn't all it was cracked up to be: A higher rate of \$15 per hour only applied to driving time. The rest of the idle time a driver would spend waiting for the trip to wrap up was still only paid at \$11 per hour, Johnson said. Out-of-town athletic conferences can keep drivers away from home from the early morning until well into the evening, he said, with the increased rate amounting to very little.

Johnson, who already works as a pastor at South Fork Church of Christ in Rochester, said he ultimately did not need the job and couldn't always work around the schedule. The gap between morning runs and afternoon runs is not exactly a flexible time frame, he said. Those factors, along with an increase in wages in other parts of the service economy, may also be contributing to some drivers choosing to leave or not apply. For others, though, it's a tough job they have to keep working.

"I think some people say, 'If I can make \$15 an hour without going through random drug testing and maintaining a CDL license, and without putting up with the kids and the administration, I'd rather fry hamburgers,'" Johnson said. "I think it really depends on why the person was driving the bus in the first place. Is it an 'I have to do this'? Single moms are trying to live off of this job and they have to go to a second or third job to make a living."

Safety is also on drivers' minds. The Illinois Department of Public Health aggregates data from the state's contact tracers on possible

locations of COVID exposure, which includes categories such as restaurant or bar, hospital, office setting and school. Though each individual case may be attributed to multiple categories based on someone's movements within 14 days of their case being reported, school is overwhelmingly the category most often cited, accounting for 38.9% of locations associated with COVID cases. The next largest category besides "other" (7%) is hospitals or clinics (6.6%).

Lopez said COVID safety is at the top of his mind while transporting students.

"I try to social distance as much as possible on the bus, one to a seat unless I've reached the point where I have to put two to a seat," he said. "I can tell the kids don't like the isolation. They'd rather be together and talk, but we do what we've got to do."

Lopez said the onset of the pandemic did coincide with many drivers leaving. Many drivers are like Lopez himself, a semi-retiree with decades under his belt as a driver. He said the terms of his employment work for him — at least \$19 an hour for a guaranteed 20-hour work week that has its challenges and its rewards. He said the profession doesn't always attract or retain younger people, though.

"Most of the ones who have been at it have been at it for a while," he said. "I've seen people get hired on, go through all the training, work one day and then hand in the keys and say, 'Thanks, I'm not coming back.'" □

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## Editor's note

The Republican Party in Illinois needs to be taken seriously, because in the land of Lincoln Republicans know deep down they have to steer their party away from the ridiculous Donald Trump. That's what party leaders mean when they call for "moderation" in their platforms and candidates, but that's too boring to take them far. "Backbone," however, could be a winning strategy. If Rodney Davis wants to be somebody in politics, he should invite U.S. Rep. Mary Miller, the right-winger who lost her seat in redistricting, to campaign against him in next year's primary. Davis, already known for decency, could show conservatives that Republicans stand for anti-racism too, for sensible public health measures like vaccines and for reasonable gun laws, and for respect for women. A solid primary win could show other Republicans a way out of the wilderness. — *Fletcher Farrar, editor*



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# New round of rental assistance opens

## \$297 million in federal help available to Illinoisans facing pandemic hardships

**HOUSING | Jerry Nowicki, Capitol News Illinois**

The application portal is now open for another \$297 million of rental assistance for Illinoisans who lost income due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Illinois Rental Payment Program, or ILRPP, money comes from the federal American Rescue Plan Act signed into law by President Joe Biden in March. It will be administered by the Illinois Housing Development Authority.

The application portal is available at [illinoishousinghelp.org](http://illinoishousinghelp.org). To be eligible, a tenant must have an unpaid rent balance on a rental property which is their primary residence. They must have experienced a financial hardship due to the pandemic, have a household income below 80 percent of the Area Median Income and must be an Illinois resident.

Proof of citizenship is not required, and assistance is available for renters of state-subsidized or federally subsidized housing.

The portal for the latest round of funding will be open until 11:59 p.m. on Jan. 9. IHDA said it expects that 32,500 households will receive assistance through this round of funding. Approved applicants will receive one-time grants of up to \$25,000, paid directly to their landlords on their behalf, and IHDA said it would begin releasing funding by the end of the year.

The launch date was pushed back one month from the initial November date announced by Gov. JB Pritzker so that the portal could undergo additional testing. A spokesperson for IHDA said the portal had

already received more than 3,000 applications Monday and the department no longer had any concerns about its ability to handle the load after working through technical issues over the past month.

Rent owed from June 2020 through April 2022 is eligible for repayment, with renters able to receive up to 15 months of back rent and three months of future rent. If a landlord chooses not to participate in the program, tenants may be able to receive payments directly, according to IHDA.

A renter may still apply if they have previously received federal rental assistance, but they cannot cumulatively receive more than 18 months of assistance. IHDA said it would adjust grant amounts for those who have already received partial assistance.

IHDA said it would prioritize households earning less than 50 percent of the area median income and those that have one or more members who have been unemployed for at least 90 days.

The latest round of federal rental assistance is the third distributed by the state.

More than 62,400 applications were approved and \$571 million paid out to renters throughout the state in the previous round. According to IHDA, about 55 percent of approved applications were from households where a member had been unemployed for more than 90 days, and the program provided an average of \$9,152 per household.

More than \$800 million has been distributed by the state for rental assistance since 2020, helping 108,500 Illinoisans with

back rent. According to the latest report from the U.S. Treasury outlining distribution of the previous rounds of rental funding, Illinois had distributed over 90 percent of funds received thus far.

"The initial round of the Illinois Rental Payment Program highlighted the continued need for assistance as we continue our recovery from this terrible pandemic," IHDA Executive Director Kristin Faust said in a statement. "As we reopen this vital assistance program to help Illinois families, seniors and the most vulnerable, Gov. Pritzker is continuing to work with (the U.S.) Treasury and our elected officials to advocate for additional funding to ensure no one is forced from their home as a result of COVID-19."

The Illinois Department of Human Services also has rental assistance available, and assistance is also available through a court-based program. IDHS also provides utility and legal assistance, which can be accessed at <https://www.illinoisrentalassistance.org/>.

The state is also preparing to launch a Homeowner Assistance Fund program to distribute federal resources for mortgage assistance in the spring. Information on that program is also available at [illinoishousinghelp.org](http://illinoishousinghelp.org), where those seeking mortgage assistance can sign up for a mailing list for program updates when they are available. □

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## Meet the new Chamber CEO

**CAP CITY | Karen Ackerman Witter**

Mike Murphy is the new CEO of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce, effective Dec. 1. He resigned his elected position of state representative to take on this role.

Murphy says he is excited about his new position and looks forward to working with local government to help local businesses prosper. Murphy was born in Springfield and raised in Divernon, worked in the restaurant business in several locations and has experience owning and operating small businesses. He is a former owner of Charlie Parker's Diner, where he understood that his success enabled him to give employment opportunities to others.

Murphy says his first priority will be to listen to the Chamber's board of directors about its plans and aspirations. He doesn't intend to make any immediate changes before listening to others. He hopes to work with local government officials to have a better permitting process, which is a concern to local businesses. He is committed to doing everything he can to help businesses provide opportunities for their workers. He also wants to see the rail relocation proceed on time, which will be transformational for the city. With Springfield's two outstanding hospitals, the Springfield Clinic and SIU School of Medicine, Murphy is convinced Springfield's medical district will be a national leader.

Murphy is a former board member of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce and also served six years on the Sangamon County Citizens Efficiency Commission as vice chairman and chairman. He served on the Divernon School Board and Divernon Village Board. Murphy was elected as Illinois State Representative from the 99<sup>th</sup> District in 2018. Following redistricting, he decided not to run for reelection. He believes his background and experience are a good fit to lead the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce and help local businesses thrive. □



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# Baseball has a new future in Springfield

SPORTS | Stuart Shiffman

Experienced baseball fans are familiar with the proverbial trade of major league players where one player is sent to another team in exchange for “a player to be named later.” On Dec. 1, before a capacity crowd in the Lincoln Room of the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, an ownership group doing business as Capital City Baseball announced the purchase of the Springfield Sliders baseball team from previous owner Todd Miller. The new name has yet to be chosen and community input is encouraged for the moniker of the new Prospect League franchise that will embark upon a 60-game season sometime in May of 2022. In fact, as the introductory press conference unfolded on Wednesday afternoon a new Twitter Page was announced where local fans can offer input into whatever name for the new team might be appropriate. The new owners hope to announce a name sometime early next year.

To a crowd including Springfield business and community leaders as well as members of the baseball community, Jamie Toole, president of parent company Golden Rule Entertainment, introduced some members of the nine-member partnership. Included were Mike Manley of Peoria, Tim Hoker of Grayslake, and Jeff Jarrett, a retired professional wrestler and current wrestling promoter. Jarrett advised those in attendance that, while he did not know a great deal about the balls and strikes of baseball, he had quite a bit of experience he could offer in promoting sports entertainment. Golden Rule’s plan for Springfield baseball promises to be entertaining at many levels.

During the one-hour presentation, the new owners made clear they will be modeling their team after the hottest team in minor league baseball, the Savannah Bananas. The Georgia team plays in a wood bat collegiate league in the South. The team has sold out every home game for the past five seasons and has over 10,000 people on a waitlist for tickets. The team also has become famous on YouTube videos for a great deal of non-baseball hijinks. In addition, they have adopted many rules to speed up their games.

The new owners want to win but, more importantly, they want to entertain. They promised an organization that will build upon the historical nature of Lanphier Park, the baseball history of Springfield and the involvement of the community. They want to build a team roster with more players from the area. Prospect League rules limit the number of players from an individual college on each team, but the number of baseball players from this area who play across the country is considered by the new owners to be a point of



Jamie Toole, founder of Golden Rule Entertainment, speaks at the press conference Dec. 1 while Jeff Jarrett looks on. CREDIT: GOLDEN RULE ENTERTAINMENT

heavy emphasis.

Entertainment was an often-used word during the presentation. That goal includes food as well as activities between innings and before and after the game. The owners hope to have caterers who can provide fans with local favorites like Cozy dogs and horseshoes. Meetings with the Springfield Park District have already begun to discuss a lease and perhaps some remodeling of the ballpark. Just who will be paying for those improvements was one of several unanswered questions. The press conference was long on promises, but not so long on details. In fact, the new ownership has not yet been approved by the Prospect League and will not be finalized until January.

Non-major-league baseball has a long history in this capital city. In 1883 there was a team in the Northwestern League, considered by baseball historians to have been the first minor league. Springfield also fielded teams in the Central Interstate League, the Western Association, the Central League and the Mississippi Valley League. The longest affiliation for Springfield baseball came from the “Three-I League” (teams from Illinois, Iowa and Indiana). During the first half of the 20th century Springfield had teams in that league for 25 seasons.

In 1978 Springfield reached its highest level of minor-league baseball when A. Ray Smith brought his Redbirds to Springfield as a AAA franchise of the American Association. In 1980 the Redbirds won the league championship. But in 1982, Smith sought greener pastures for his franchise and relocated to Louisville,

Kentucky, where the team became the first minor league franchise to draw one million spectators during the season.

After the Redbirds moved, the parent St. Louis Cardinal team, established a franchise in the Class A Midwest League. By 1993, attendance was declining in Springfield and the St. Louis Cardinal ownership was unhappy with the condition of the Lanphier baseball park. The city would not pay for improvements to the facility and the Cardinal organization sold the franchise to Madison, Wisconsin. Springfield then became the host for independent baseball and, more recently, collegiate wood bat leagues that play 30-40 home games during the summer months after the college players have finished their seasons. Attendance during the last two seasons has averaged around 1,000 fans per home game, but many of the tickets were promotional.

Golden Rule Entertainment has already changed several policies. Season tickets are back on sale and promotional giveaways are not on the horizon. Toole hopes fans will come to the park for the entertainment. He also hopes to have events beyond the home games for his yet-unnamed franchise. Among the plans are perhaps an alumni game between ex-major leaguers and a game between competing law enforcement officers. Harry Carey always said, “You can’t beat fun at the old ballpark,” and Golden Rule may try to expand that concept in Springfield this summer. □

Stuart Shiffman writes on baseball for Illinois Times.



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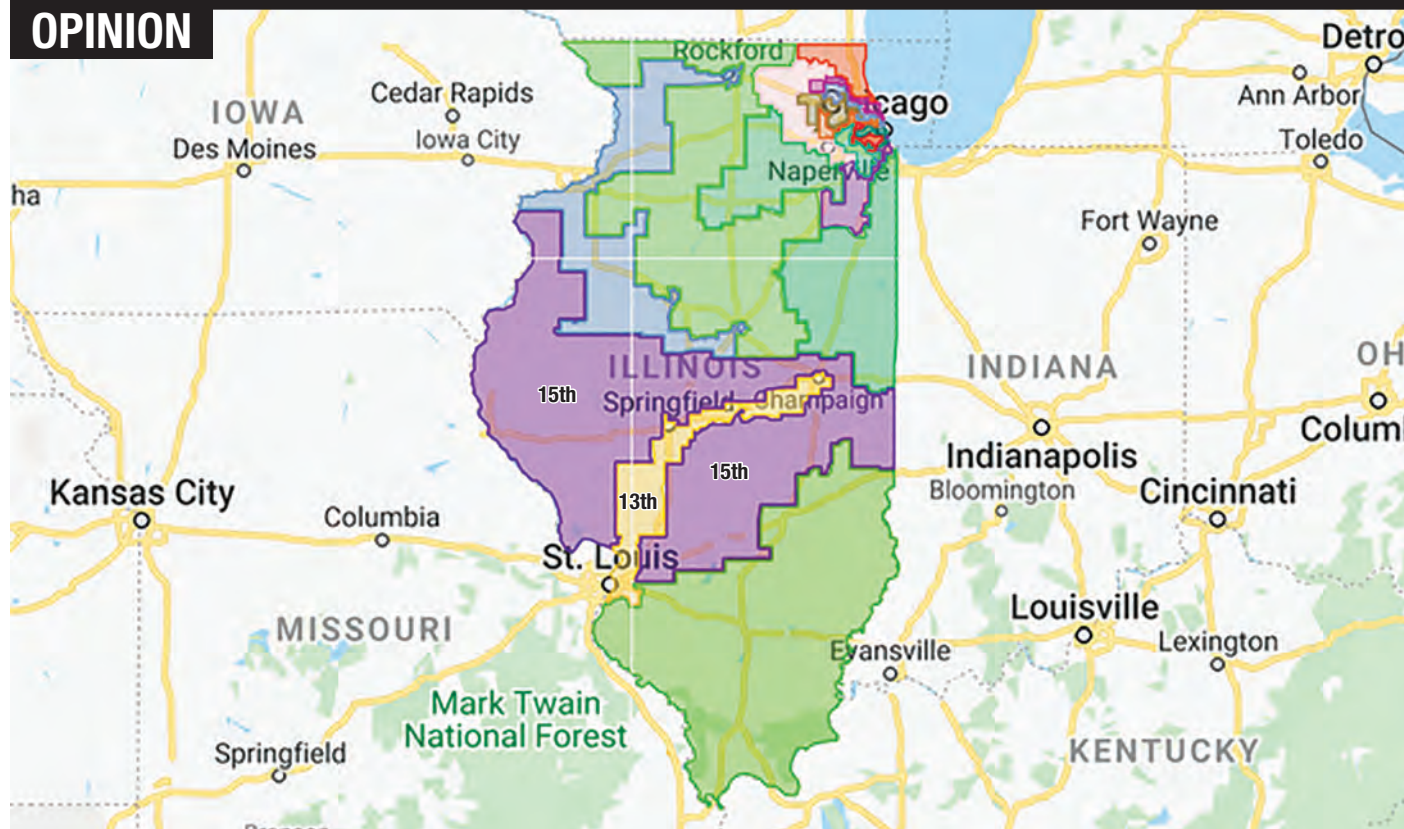
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# OPINION



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### NOTHING NEW

Sangamon County has long been in congressional, state Senate and state House districts that are so overwhelmingly Republican that Democrats rarely run, leaving the Republican unopposed (“Rigged elections?” Dec. 2). So excuse me if I don’t get too upset at the new congressional map.

*Barry House*  
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*Dominic Drapper*  
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### URBAN SPRAWL

So, people are concerned about losing farmland to solar projects (“County approves major solar power project,” Nov. 25). They didn’t seem to be very concerned about vast areas of the richest

farmland in the world being lost to urban sprawl. Shopping centers, big box stores, parking lots, housing subdivisions and other developments have spread while inner cities decay. The sudden concern over losing farmland seems a bit too late, and misplaced.

*Richard Leary*  
Springfield

### A CONTRADICTION

This solar project is a violation of the county’s development plan. Years ago, the Sangamon County Board didn’t want development of farmland that was in unincorporated Sangamon County. People were told to get incorporated and rely on the village or town to supply services, including plowing the roads. This contradicts that policy.

*John Krein*  
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### WHY NOT HOMEOWNERS?

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use, under the assumption that most people won’t over-install solar at their home for various reasons, but if they wanted to, they should be allowed to profit from it. That would speed adaptation.

*Joe Kozak*  
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### NOT REALLY GREEN

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Presently, this industry does nothing to help heal the destruction that has been brought upon our ecosystem by their practices. There is a lot of throwing around of words like “green” and “sustainable” in their ads, but it is just lip service.

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# More groups claim new maps violate federal Voting Rights Act

POLITICS | Rich Miller

One of the things that I most certainly did not have on my 2021 legislative bingo card last January was that an Oak Park liberal Democratic Senate President and the state's first Black House Speaker would be fighting multiple legal claims that their new state legislative district maps deprive protected minorities of their constitutional rights.

And the ante was upped last month when both men went on record opposing an attempt by the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc., Chicago Westside Branch NAACP and NAACP Chicago Southside to intervene in the redistricting case.

The brief was filed in US District Court. The groups asked to intervene because, they claim, the reduction of Black-majority legislative districts in the new maps was unconstitutional.

The NAACP hoped to join lawsuits already filed by the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund and the NAACP of East St. Louis which contend the maps were drawn in violation of the federal Voting Rights Act, which protects minority interests. Illinois Republicans have filed another lawsuit on the same grounds.

But attorneys for Senate President Don Harmon and House Speaker Chris Welch argued that amicus briefs at the trial level are highly unusual, the motion was untimely ("due to the necessary yet break-neck speed of this case, Defendants are already tasked with responding to three plaintiffs' submissions and nine expert reports in a matter of 12 days") and would prejudice the defendants' case ("by seeking to inject new claims and new relief into the case at this late stage, the NAACP denied Defendants the opportunity to test their claims through motion practice and discovery").

You gotta do what you gotta do in cases like these. I'm not trying to imply anything nefarious here, and both leaders have firmly maintained that their maps will withstand constitutional scrutiny, but you gotta admit it's very weird and a little unsettling watching all of it play out.

Meanwhile, the NAACP's own filing mentioned that the group had earlier sent a letter to Gov. JB Pritzker "expressing concerns over the lack of engagement with the Black community in the redistricting process and the negative impact of S.B. 927 on Black representation in the Illinois General Assembly."

A letter sent by the NAACP to Pritzker, dated Sept. 22, complained that the map legislation was "developed in a top-down manner, with little opportunity for actual engagement from community-based groups such as the NAACP."

The NAACP also complained in the letter

that it wasn't able to adequately assess the impact of the new maps without weeks of work because of the data's format.

"In short, the process used by the state deprived residents of the opportunity to have their voices heard."

The organization then asked the governor to delay any action on the remap plan until Oct. 19.

"This will give the NAACP and other groups a chance to take part in the democratic process and to provide you with maps that we believe are fair and preserve the voting power of Black voters in the state legislature."

Pritzker, who won the 2018 Democratic primary partly because of strong support in the Black community and who pledged during the campaign to veto a politically partisan redistricting bill, signed the remap legislation two days after the NAACP sent its letter, claiming the maps "align with the landmark Voting Rights Act and will help ensure Illinois' diversity is reflected in the halls of government."

Again, weird and unsettling.

Oh, and, by the way, the legal push-back from the two legislative leaders did indeed

prevent the NAACP from having a major say in the outcome of the redistricting case.

The three-judge federal panel hearing the case ruled last week that they would accept the groups' proposed amicus brief "for limited purposes."

The court will consider the insights offered by the civil rights groups "into the history of racially polarized voting in Illinois."

But, more importantly, the panel decreed that the judges won't allow the organizations to assert any new claims or challenge any districts beyond those already under review by the court.

The judges explained that the remap plan has been out there in the open since the end of August, all of the existing complaints were filed by the middle of October and the litigants "have been proceeding at a greatly accelerated pace" ever since. "That process was fast approaching its conclusion by the time the [NAACP's] motion was filed, and there is no time for a do-over," the judges wrote.

So, the super-majority legislative Democrats dodged a potentially harmful legal bullet on timing grounds alone. □

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# When you're a wannabe

WEEKLY REEDER | Scott Reeder

The Kyle Rittenhouse trial and verdict is a bit like those ink blot tests psychologists sometimes have patients examine. A half-dozen folks can look at the same thing and see something different.

I've heard Rittenhouse described as a "hero" by right-wingers and as a "criminal" by those on the left. But when I look at him, I see a wannabe.

Thirty-some years ago, when I was a reporter at the *Quad-Cities Times*, there was a teenager who bought an old police car at an auction, painted it white, put a CB radio on the console and trolled around town like he was a cop. The high school kid's antics got eyerolls from the real police officers.

And I'd get calls while working the newsroom's night desk that a "plainclothes policeman" was seen someplace. Inevitably, it would be the kid playing dress-up.

He never really said he was a cop, but when folks would see his four-door sedan with its whip antenna they would hit their brakes and watch their speedometers.

This kid enjoyed feeling important.

Watching Rittenhouse testify, I couldn't help but think of that mystery teenager from more than 30 years ago. Today he'd be well into middle age. I never found out if he moved from being a wannabe to being a get-to-be.

Did he move from a life of pretend to a career of service?

I wonder about Rittenhouse, too. My hope is that he will move beyond this new-found notoriety and settle down and live a productive life. Killing two men and wounding another is not something to be proud of.

Can anyone say beyond all reasonable



Kyle Rittenhouse is sworn in to testify during his trial at the Kenosha County Courthouse on Nov. 10, 2021, in Kenosha, Wisconsin. PHOTO BY MARK HERTZBERG/POOL/GETTY IMAGES/TNS

doubt that he wasn't in fear of his life when confronted by sometimes-violent protestors? I can't. And that is the burden of proof those 12 jurors had to unanimously reach if they were to convict him.

But what I can say with certainty is that a 17-year-old shouldn't have been there in the first place. If a teenage civilian feels the need to carry a rifle for self-protection when leaving home, it's time to rethink his destination.

Human life is precious. Things aren't. That lesson was taught to me by my

parents. Growing up on a farm, we found that occasionally thieves would take advantage of the remoteness of our location and that of our neighbors and steal gasoline or tools late at night.

A farmer we knew pointed a rifle at someone stealing his tools and held him at bay until a deputy sheriff arrived. The next day, the sheriff was praising the farmer on the front page of the *Galesburg Register Mail*.

I wanted to be a hero, too. So, in my teenage enthusiasm, I told my parents if I saw

a thief, I would take my .22 rifle and confront him.

My folks set me straight.

There is no tank of gas or power drill so valuable to warrant the taking of a human life. If I saw a theft in progress, they said to make sure I was safe in the house and to call the sheriff.

That is the difference between the reasoning of a teenage boy and an adult.

I wish someone had sat Kyle Rittenhouse down and told him the same thing. A used car lot in Kenosha isn't so valuable that it warrants the taking of a life.

Comedian and social commentator Trevor Noah said, "Nobody drives into a city with guns because they love someone else's business that much."

I'm sorry, Trevor, you are thinking like an adult. A teenager's brain isn't fully formed. Teenage boys sometimes do really stupid things. And parents need to parent.

Rittenhouse is a working-class kid who worked after school as a fry cook and a janitor. Some members of Congress have recommended him for a Congressional Gold Medal. Another congressman said he might offer Kyle an internship.

Killing two people and wounding another, perhaps in self-defense, doesn't merit an award. If he was truly in fear of his life, his reward is still being alive. My hope is that Rittenhouse doesn't cash in on his new-found fame, but instead pursues an education and picks a career of service.

That way, he'll no longer be a wannabe but a get-to-be. □

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# Bring back the city education liaison

The city and schools need to work together. Again.

GUESTWORK | Sheila Stocks-Smith

In November 2003 I became the city of Springfield's first (and so far, only) education liaison, a cabinet-level position reporting directly to Mayor Tim Davlin, who by his selection of me fulfilled a popular campaign promise. I created the office using resources from the National League of Cities' Mayors' Education Policy Advisors Network. This is a national network of senior municipal staff working with mayors of the nation's 75 largest cities on key issues related to improving educational outcomes for children and youth. We were among only a few visionary smaller cities to formally recognize the critical role quality education plays in the vitality of cities.

As the city's education liaison, I provided advice and counsel to the mayor and municipal leaders on educational priorities; developed and supported partnerships between city departments, schools and community groups; represented the mayor's office on national, state and local committees; developed and managed major education initiatives; wrote and managed grants; cultivated strong relationships with community leaders; and studied and tracked education-related legislation, policies, programs and best practices.

I recall all this because, in the aftermath of a tragic death of a local high school student, Alderwoman Kristin DiCenso raised the notion once again that the city and its education system should be regularly communicating and coordinating to strengthen and support schools. This was a great idea in 2003. It is a great idea now and will be a great idea 10 years from now.

School safety became a high priority within the Davlin administration, in part, because



Chief of Police Ralph Caldwell believed strongly that schools were potential soft targets for violence from international terrorism. This post-9/11 thinking was gaining traction, and education, research and governmental resources around school safety and homeland security followed. Chief Caldwell also knew that while terrorism posed a real threat, domestic violence in schools was on the rise and that greatly increasing school preparedness was needed regardless of where the threat originated. How prophetic he turned out to be on that point.

The Springfield Police Department and I worked for years with both School District 186 and the private schools in Springfield to encourage increased security and enhanced preparedness. We conducted a school safety workshop for executive staff of all the schools and held individual forums for schools and parents, tabletop school terrorism drills, and in-school school shooting drills. I worked

closely with all the schools to ensure that school blueprints were up-to-date and were on file with the SPD. We updated and enhanced the school resource officer contract, worked with the district to encourage locks on classroom doors and the removal of glass from the doors, monitored exits and other safety measures in the physical school space. We instituted a wand detection program for schools when they requested it or when intel suggested the need for it. We helped provide school safety training for teachers and school personnel and classrooms kits with important resources to use in case of an active shooter, updated lockdown procedures and enhanced communication channels between the city and School District 186.

Many other initiatives were run out of my office. We published a major report examining African American Student Achievement and Success and created the College Access Program

within Lincoln Library to increase college attendance among low-income, minority and first-generation students in Springfield. We hosted an educational policy series with UIS on closing the achievement gap, created the Mayor's Book Club to promote teen literacy and implemented the Talks & Tours program, which brought the mayor into all 65 of Springfield's public and private schools to discuss career opportunities in the city and throughout the community. Other major initiatives included significant work around childhood obesity, school recycling and adolescent health.

I'm not sure how much of our work is currently active but I do know that the need for and role of an education liaison is a critical component of city government. I'm not suggesting that it is even near the highest priority for city government, but I do believe we need to discard the narrow view that city government should only be concerned with traditional roles like public safety and public works. We must recognize the key role quality education plays in thriving communities and realize it is in our own self-interest to work together with our schools to leverage resources for the good of the entire community.

A renewed effort of cooperation between The City of Springfield and District 186 would help break down organizational silos and political divides that only keep us from moving forward together. I urge Mayor Langfelder, the city council, the School District 186 superintendent and the board of education to work together to solve problems and remove barriers that keep Springfield's students from reaching their fullest potential. □

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# The missing moderates

## Can a Republican beat JB Pritzker?

POLITICS | Scott Reeder

Illinoisans are passionately moderate.

For a quarter century, that was the contention of the Republican governors who led the state from 1977 to 2003. Governors Jim Edgar, James R. Thompson and George Ryan governed from the middle, sought consensus and coated whatever they did with a heavy layer of pragmatism.

Edgar and Thompson supported abortion rights. Ryan became a crusader against the death penalty and advocated for gun control.

“When I ran for governor, I never claimed to be anything other than a moderate. I might have muttered when I said it, but I have always considered myself a moderate,” Edgar told *Illinois Times* in a recent interview.

But the Illinois Republican Party has changed a great deal since his time in office, raising the question: Are the days of moderate GOP leadership nothing more than a distant memory?

Today, GOP gubernatorial politics are more ideologically pure – but a whole lot less successful.

“A moderate (Republican) still has a chance of winning the governorship in Illinois,” Edgar said. “I think it’s still the case. The trouble is we have got to get a moderate through a primary, and that’s a problem now. It didn’t used to be a problem here. Back then the party was more pragmatic, but that changed. ... The Trump phenomenon affected that to a great extent. I mean, you’ve got some Republicans out there in elected office who sounded moderate 10 years ago. But today they don’t sound moderate. They’re scared to death of Trump and of his people.”

“When Edgar, Thompson and Ryan were governors, Chicago was a Democratic stronghold, the suburbs were dependably Republican and the remainder of the state, more often than not, was where close gubernatorial races were decided,” said Robin Johnson, a Democratic consultant and a political science lecturer at Monmouth College.

Today, Chicago remains Democratic and downstate is increasingly Republican. And elections are decided in the suburbs, which

are more politically independent, Edgar said.

The reasons for these demographic changes?

“The suburbs became more racially, ethnically and politically diverse as more people moved there from the city and, like much of rural America, downstate has become increasingly susceptible to far-right populism,” Monmouth College’s Johnson said.

“They are angry. Who can blame them?”

Those communities have lost well-paying manufacturing jobs, their towns are suffering and so are they. The future looks bleak, and the Democratic Party has largely given up on these areas,” Johnson said.

### The current candidates

Hoping to tap into that vein of discontent are hard-core conservatives like state Sen. Darren Bailey, R-Xenia, and Bull Valley businessman Gary Rabine. The more moderate candidates facing them in the GOP gubernatorial primary are venture capitalist Jesse Sullivan of Petersburg and former state Sen. Paul Schimpf of Waterloo.

“Illinois is ground zero in the fight against a Marxist movement right now,” Rabine said of legislative Democrats and Gov. JB Pritzker, a billionaire scion of the Hyatt hotel fortune.

The rhetoric isn’t any less extreme from Bailey, who has sponsored legislation to make Chicago a separate state. He’s also proposed legislation that would allow public sector pensions to be reduced or changed, which he claims will help address the state’s massively underfunded pension liability.

“Last March, as a newly elected state senator – one month after I announced my run for governor – I drafted a constitutional amendment to remove the pension protection clause from the constitution,” he said. “People said that was political suicide.”

Jim Nowlan, a moderate Republican and retired University of Illinois political science professor, said he believes Bailey will be the GOP nominee.

“I see his signs everywhere, and he seems to have tied up key constituencies with the Republican Party – homeschoolers, religious



State Sen. Darren Bailey, a GOP gubernatorial candidate, appears at Republican Day at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield on Aug. 19, 2021. PHOTO BY E. JASON WAMBSGANS / TNS



conservatives and others. I don't think he can win a general election – but I do think he will be the party's nominee.”

For his part, Bailey holds moderates within his party in a bit of contempt.

“I think Illinois has been ruled by moderate Republicans, and now we see Republicans are in a super-minority status in the legislature,” he said. “We have got to ask ourselves, how did we get there? And I think that the obvious answer is moderate leadership in the Republican Party doesn't work,” he said.

“I don't know that we've ever had a conservative governor in the last 50 years. Absolutely not. And as a matter of fact every governor holds responsibility – even the Republican governors – for the problems we now face. Good grief, it was Jim Edgar that started the pension problem.”

Prior to Edgar's time in office, there was no formula for how much the state should contribute toward pensions. Edgar's plan, which became known as the Edgar Ramp, created a payment schedule that slated the largest payments for decades down the road – well after Edgar, and almost all of the lawmakers who voted for it, would be out of office.

If either Bailey or Rabine were to win the governorship, it would be the first time since 1932 that someone without at least a bachelor's degree has held that office. Rabine has only a high school diploma and Bailey has an associate's degree in agriculture production from Lake Land College.

Schimpf holds a bachelor's degree from the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis and a law degree from Southern Illinois University. Sullivan has received master's degrees from Oxford and Stanford universities and a bachelor's from St. Louis University.

Schimpf, one of the more moderate candidates, retired after 20 years in the U.S. Marine Corps at the rank of lieutenant colonel. He served first as an infantry officer and later as a lawyer. He participated in the trial of Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein. In 2016, he defeated former Lt. Gov. Sheila Simon in a run for the State Senate. He said he did not seek reelection to the Senate in 2020 because he had hoped President Trump would appoint him to a federal judgeship, but that did not pan out.

“I'd say that generally the way that you have success as a Republican getting elected in Illinois is to be somebody that can solve problems, as opposed to just being a bomb-thrower,” Schimpf said. “The people of Illinois are looking for a leader who can unite our state. I tell people if you're looking for a candidate who's going to advocate burning everything down, that is not me.”

## Money matters

Money is often called the lifeblood of

# Jesse Sullivan is well-funded, but does he have a chance?

He's handsome, articulate and driven. His pretty wife and four adorable children appear to have come right out of central casting.

When Jesse Sullivan launched his campaign in September, he already had raised \$11 million, several times more than all of his Republican opponents combined.

In fact, not that long ago – before billionaires and near-billionaires started funding their own campaigns for the state's highest office – that would be about half of what a successful gubernatorial campaign cost.

For example, in 2010, Pat Quinn spent \$23 million to capture the Governor's Mansion. By comparison, Gov. JB Pritzker spent \$172 million of his own money to capture the office in 2018.

“Starting out a campaign with \$11 million is impressive, but he's going to have to raise a whole lot more than that if he's going to take on Pritzker,” former governor George Ryan said.

Although Sullivan calls himself a conservative, he also speaks of compromise and consensus – much as Jim Edgar and James R. Thompson did during their terms in office.

For example, he identifies as pro-life, but admits he knows that most people in the legislature don't agree with him on the issue. He added he is hopeful he can work with Democratic lawmakers to find ways to reduce the number of abortions, a goal shared by many on both sides of the ongoing national debate.

With answers like these, some Republicans say he has already failed the ideological litmus test.

“I think we have some Republicans afraid to take on the cultural wars that should be taken on,” former state Rep. Jeanne Ives, R-Wheaton, said. “Illinois stands as an extreme state in what is arguably still a very Midwestern culture. Schools, certainly, rise to the top as an area to be examined. Democrats have pushed comprehensive sex-ed bills, LGBTQ curriculum and mandated culturally responsive teaching.”

She said she is skeptical of any Republican afraid to take on these issues.

“You're probably going to get a conservative that actually wins the Republican nomination for governor. You're not going to get one of the more moderate



Monique and Jesse Sullivan.

PHOTO BY DAVID BLANCHETTE

candidates. Even though all four identify as conservative, when you look into their policy positions, there are obviously some that have more moderate positions,” Ives said.

State Sen. Darren Bailey, R-Xenia, also is seeking the GOP nod for governor.

In a stage whisper with the tone of a preacher talking about Sodom and Gomorrah, Bailey says of Sullivan's campaign donations, “His money is coming from San Francisco.”

Sullivan said he worked as a venture capitalist in Silicon Valley and developed relationships with successful people who want to support him. He added he is confident he can continue to raise money to be competitive if he is the Republican nominee.

But that's a big “if.”

Former state treasurer Dan Rutherford, a moderate Republican, said the Illinois GOP has changed and is no longer as tolerant of those willing to seek consensus and compromise with Democrats.

“I expect Gary Rabine will be the nominee. He's conservative, has access to donors and lives in the suburbs,” he said. If not Rabine, Darren Bailey will likely receive

the party nod, he said.

Neither man is capable of winning a general election against Pritzker because they are too far to the right to appeal to independent and Democratic crossover voters, Rutherford added.

Oddly enough, Sullivan's well-burnished resume with master's degrees from Oxford and Stanford universities may prove to be an obstacle for some GOP voters, said Jim Nowlan, a retired University of Illinois political science professor and a former Republican state lawmaker.

“There is an anti-elitist element in the Republican Party,” he said. “We see that in some Trump supporters. There is also a deep political division between college graduates and high school graduates. Those degrees of (Sullivan's) are not going to particularly impress high school graduates downstate. In fact, they may view them with suspicion. But in the suburbs, where there is a much higher percentage of college graduates, they will be viewed as a positive.”

Sullivan is also quick to point to his small-town and working-class credentials.

He grew up in Petersburg, where his father was a public-school teacher and raised a large family. He added his wife, Monique, is Hispanic and will be able to help him campaign among the state's growing Latino communities. She also was on staff with Barack Obama's first presidential campaign, which may help him attract those who usually vote Democratic.

Still, influential Republican voices remain skeptical.

“He's never held public office before and he has no record of helping Republican candidates in Illinois,” former state Rep. Ives said.

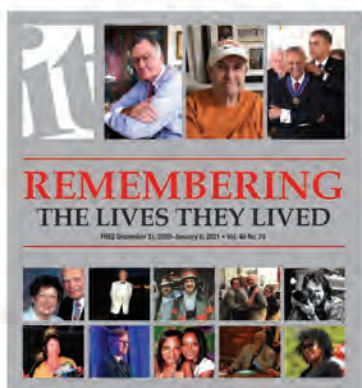
Although Ives is a conservative, she concedes Illinois Republican voters are more moderate. However, she doesn't think that means a moderate would be the best gubernatorial nominee.

“I would say across the board, Illinois Republicans tend to be moderate. We are not Alabama, Mississippi, South Dakota Republicans. ... (Some Republicans think) we can't talk about cultural issues. We can't talk about abortion. We can't talk about guys not being in the girls' bathroom. We can't talk about public sector unions and stuff like that. That is the wrong position, because Illinois is an outlier in all those areas,” she said. —Scott Reeder



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politics and Pritzker, who self-funded his last campaign, spent \$172 million in his previous bid for governor.

Former Gov. George Ryan said whoever Republicans nominate will have to be a prolific fundraiser to have a chance of beating Pritzker. A trinity of conservative Republican mega-donors – Ken Griffin, Dick Uihlein and the Ricketts family – hold the purse strings for Republicans seeking statewide office.

“I think the minimum that you’re going to need to win a general election in Illinois is \$50 million,” Schimpf said.

“In a general election, you aren’t going to get there without the support of the Griffins and the Uihleins and the Ricketts. But in a primary, I think you can win for less than that. I think you can probably win the Illinois Republican primary for as little as \$2 million – if you have the right candidate and the right message and you have a grassroots movement,” he said.

The three Republican mega-donors effectively act as ideological gatekeepers who determine whether the Republican nominee will have a viable race.

Ryan said he is not yet willing to write off a moderate’s chances, though.

“If he could get a foothold in Chicago and pick off a couple of the big wards, he might be able to pick up the governorship. He could win big in southern Illinois. I don’t think you can elect a Democrat down there. I was down there a couple of weeks ago, and I think they’re going to have a solid run for a Republican down there. And in the middle of the state, I think the Democrats are in big trouble. So, the big problem is to pick off a couple of wards in Chicago or at least up in the northern suburbs. DuPage County is about half Republican and half Democrat.”

Former Republican state treasurer Dan Rutherford, a moderate, is skeptical of his party’s chances against Pritzker.

“No, no, no. I don’t think a moderate can win a primary unless obviously the Trumpites split their vote. But I think if it gets down to the more conservative – I don’t want to say radical – but animated types, they can definitely win the primary, but then they’ll go on to lose the general election,” he said.

This, of course, begs the question of why the Republican Party shifted from what had been a successful strategy.

“The suburbs and downstate changed,” said Monmouth College lecturer Johnson. “A conservative Republican can win downstate. But unless the Republicans nominate a moderate, I don’t think there is any way they can win.” □

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# Yuletide tipples

Hot toddies, mulled wine and warm friendships

FOOD | Ashley Meyer

Warm and cozy cocktails are an ideal way to spread holiday cheer even as temperatures drop. Most cocktails were in fact hot drinks until refrigeration became a reality, given how difficult it was to procure ice outside of winter months. What we think of today as a hot toddy likely originated in 16<sup>th</sup> century Scotland, though at that time it was simply referred to as a toddy. These warming concoctions soon became a winter staple throughout 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>-century England. The “hot” distinction would come later with the advent of refrigeration and iced cocktails.

James Beard Award-winning cocktail historian David Wondrich explains in his book *Punch* that a classic toddy is simply hot water, Scotch whisky and sugar. Today many toddy recipes call for the addition of lemon, in which case the drink is then technically known as a whisky skin. For those looking to eschew tradition, there are ample opportunities to reinterpret this timeless cocktail. Any kind of whisky can be used, though fuller-bodied single malt is generally preferred. Opportunities for creativity can be found in using different types of teas instead of hot water or even the addition of bitters instead of lemon. As for sweeteners, regular or Demerara sugar can be used as well as honey, maple syrup or agave. Various spices, like clove, cinnamon or cardamom, can be added. A dusting of freshly ground nutmeg just before serving is an aromatic finishing touch.

Hot toddy is an ideal preparation to serve at a holiday gathering using a slow cooker. To make a party-sized batch, add the tea and all other non-alcoholic ingredients to the slow cooker and heat for 10 minutes or so on low (the warming time will depend on your particular slow cooker). Once the mixture is warm, add the whisky and let it sit for another 10 minutes before serving. Use caution not to heat the toddy above 170 degrees (you can check this with a kitchen thermometer), as this will cause the alcohol to evaporate.

As with the bracing hot toddy, mulled wine is another warming yuletide tippie with a long history. Dating back to second-century Rome, early accounts refer to wine warmed with a



fortifying variety of ingredients, including pepper, dates and saffron. Indeed, adding spices to wine was a common practice in ancient times, as the alcohol helped to extract the medicinal properties of the spices and the spices helped to cover the taste of low-quality wine. Mulled wine's origins as a holiday staple began in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century when Swedish and German vendors began selling it at Christmas markets in festive bottles. Recipes were fiercely guarded, and eventually various interpretations evolve across Europe, including the beloved Swedish glögg, German gluhwine and French vin chaud.

Today premixed spiced wine is available in stores, but making your own couldn't be easier, and the result is decidedly more delicious. Choose a fruity wine – it should be drinkable but inexpensive. Zinfandel, malbec and cabernet sauvignon all work well. As with the toddy, your options for sweetener and spice additions are completely customizable. Most recipes call for sliced orange or lemon and some include apple cider or additional boozy ingredients like brandy or Grand Marnier.

## Uncle Robert's Classic Hot Toddy

For a 2-quart slow cooker  
1/3- 2/3 cup Demerara Sugar (to taste)

1 quart prepared Earl Grey tea  
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2 ½ cups single-malt Scotch  
1 lemon thinly sliced  
Freshly grated nutmeg

For a single serving:

1-3 tsp Demerara sugar  
10 ounces prepared Earl Grey tea  
2 oz single-malt Scotch  
Twist of lemon peel  
Freshly grated nutmeg

## Traditional Mulled Wine

3 cups apple cider  
¼- ½ cup honey, maple syrup or brown sugar to taste

1 orange, peeled and juiced  
3 cardamom pods, star anise or cloves

1 cinnamon stick  
1 750 ml bottle fruity red wine  
1-2 cups brandy, to taste

Combine the cider, honey, whole spices and orange peel and juice in a nonreactive sauce pan or crock pot. Bring to a simmer, then reduce heat and add the wine and brandy. Keep warm and serve.

## Mulled White Wine

While most mulled wine recipes are made with red wine, this mulled white wine is a bright alternative that is delightfully rich in flavor. Use a medium-bodied white wine such as chardonnay. More acidic wines like sauvignon blanc or Pinot Grigio can become bitter when heated.

1 cup sugar  
1 cup water  
1-inch piece of ginger, sliced into coins  
1 orange, peeled and juiced  
3 cardamom pods  
5 cloves  
1 cinnamon stick  
1 750 ml bottle medium-bodied white wine

Combine the sugar, water, ginger, orange peel and juice, cloves and cinnamon in a medium saucepan and bring to a boil. Turn off the heat and let sit 10 minutes to mull. Add the wine and heat gently until just warm. Turn off heat and let sit 10 minutes before serving. □

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## DANCE



Clara (Olivia Pennell), along with the Nutcracker Prince, makes her way through the snow in the Springfield Ballet's holiday classic *The Nutcracker*. Right, Erica Wesselman as the Sugar Plum Fairy and Samuel Chester as The Cavalier perform a pas de deux to the romantic music of Tchaikovsky. PHOTOS BY DONNA LOUNSBERRY.

# Springfield's own *Nutcracker*

The holiday tradition for everyone

DANCE | Dennis Thread

*The Nutcracker Ballet* is as Christmassy as you can get, right up there with fir trees, twinkling lights and *Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer*. All over the globe, ballet companies vie to create the perfect *Nutcracker*, and families everywhere line up for tickets. This weekend, on the grand stage at UIS-PAC, as it has every year since 1975 (except 2020), the Springfield Ballet presents its *Nutcracker*.

Much more than a ballet, it's the Super Bowl of holiday extravaganzas, with spectacle, displays of extraordinary physical skill and theatrical thrills. The wonderfully bizarre story packs a satisfying punch, the music is as familiar as *White Christmas*, and the costumes and sets are terrific.

Like many holiday traditions, there's a complex backstory. German Romantic writer E.T.A. Hoffman – the 19<sup>th</sup> century godfather of gothic horror – cooked up a tale of a haunted nutcracker and Alexandre Dumas (of *The Three Musketeers* fame) made it family-friendly. Add an infectious score by Tchaikovsky, the Russian wizard of emotion, and staging by Marius Petipa, the Frenchman who practically invented ballet as we know it, and *Nutcracker* was born a holiday staple, sugar plums and all.

Young Clara creeps downstairs in the mysterious hours of Christmas Eve to play with her favorite gift, a classic wooden nutcracker. But a magician is waiting to whisk her and her beloved Nutcracker (now a handsome prince, of course) off to save the world from evil. After

subduing the villainous Mouse King, Clara and her Nutcracker Prince fly through the Land of Snow to the Kingdom of Sweets, where the Sugar Plum Fairy serves up a kind of dance-off: a dazzling display of dances from around the world. Back at home, Clara is convinced it must all have been a dream – or was it?

As is happening to many cultural products, those global dances are receiving increased scrutiny this year, since they have been traditionally presented in a Eurocentric, stereotypical way. That old approach may change for next year.

But *Nutcracker* captures what we long for during this season: the spectacular, the exotic made familiar and the magical. It is the stuff of childhood dreams and the very adult longings for redemption and the triumph of good over evil. It's also a "Christmas" tradition that is theology-free so, regardless of religious persuasion or lack thereof, *Nutcracker* captures the spirit of the season.

More than just a show, this *Nutcracker* really is a community holiday event. While experienced dancers handle the toughest roles, the heart of *Nutcracker* is the youth and children: dozens and dozens of them of all ages. Ballet requires years of training, and few high school athletes can match these dancers for dedication. Many start training at an age long before most kids can field a grounder.

One dancer, Caroline Dahlquist, who first

appeared in *Nutcracker* at age 8, is typical. "Dance is a huge part of who I am," she told us. "It's all about passion, discipline and commitment."

Lauren Pumphrey, now at UIS, made her debut at six, but has memories of *Nutcracker* as a tiny child. "I remember the snow scene. I thought it was actually snowing in the theater. My whole family loves the show!"

Chances are, if you give *The Nutcracker* a try, you'll love it, too.

There have been some unexpected changes in leadership at Springfield Ballet recently, but *Nutcracker* goes on as planned, and the company has a history of excellence. Their *Rock Ballet* is a high-energy tradition each fall. The company's pre-Covid ballet, *Romeo+Juliet* – a collaboration with local theater artists under former Artistic Director Julie Ratz – was phenomenal, the finest theatrical event of any kind I've experienced since my return to Springfield a few years ago. So, the company is fully capable of great things.

But go see for yourself. Give yourself and your family a gift. Whether for the first time or the 21st, the Springfield Ballet Company's *Nutcracker* belongs at the top of your personal holiday list. □

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## Performances at UIS-PAC

Performances Saturday, Dec. 11, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 12, 2 p.m. General admission \$35. Springfieldballetco.org.

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## MUSIC



Billy Don Burns plays the Backroom Lounge in Riverton this Sunday afternoon. PHOTO CREDIT: SOFIA CHESNEY

# 'Tis the season

NOW PLAYING | Tom Irwin

As the holidays come closer, we all know how much music is a part of the celebration from Rudolph to Bethlehem, Santa to jingle bells and herald angels to your two front teeth. Songs about the “most wonderful time of the year” are ubiquitous, ever-present and undeniable. So get out there and enjoy it all and be safe while doing so, please.

It's so very nice to see all the good work from the Springfield Area Arts Council and the Community Foundation for the Land of Lincoln come to fruition as more Back to the Music gigs are popping up all over the place. Many shows have already been hosted, while even more are lining up to perform at locations in our community, both regular venues and other spots not known for live music. This Thursday, Dec. 9, Jack White plays holiday music at It's All About Wine (he's also there on Dec. 17 with both gigs going from 6 to 8 p.m.), while the Samba Llamas cha-cha-cha at Roots Latin Grill (6 to 8 p.m.). A couple of folk groups captained by William Furry are up next when Thistle and Thyme seasons up Edwards Place (6 to 7 p.m.) on Thursday and Wild Columbine sweetens up Books on the Square (1 to 2 p.m.) on Saturday, while on Sunday, Emily Wheeler rolls into the DeWolf Bed & Breakfast in Jacksonville (1 to 2 p.m.). Keep your eyes and ears peeled for more of these wonderful gifts coming your way, and say a little thanks for the help musical artists are receiving this season after a long drought of live music opportunities.

More holiday happenings come this Thursday when Fun DMC hosts a Christmas at The Curve fundraiser event from 6 to 10 p.m. for Toys for Tots at the always-in-season Curve Inn. Joining in to help put the fun

into fundraiser are mighty music-makers JackAsh and Unchained. Please bring a toy to donate or drop in some cool cash to aid this fine organization in helping to bring toys to kids who otherwise might not be getting those Christmas morning gifts. Thursday presents us with yet another hip happening going down when Brandon Santini's Big Time Blues Trio, featuring Robert “Lefty Preacher” Sampson and Ron James, perform their inaugural gig with an evening show at Whiskey Jack's on the corner of Fifth and Monroe.

Friday is also bursting at the seams with live entertainment on all levels. Check out these solo acts with Josie Lowder at Anchors Away, Joel Honey at Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, Gabe Marshall at Brewski's and Avery Kern at Slaughterhouse Brewing in Auburn. For band action, how about Smells Like Nirvana at Danenbergers, Brushville at Motorheads, 8Up at the Main Gate, 1 in the Gun at the Stadium and Brandy Kristin & the Revival at Weebles. As far as Saturday goes, it looks like a blow out of bigger proportions than on Friday, so I ain't even going there, but you sure can by checking out our music listings, then picking and choosing for yourself from the wide variety of bands and such playing all over this old town.

Here's a hot tip for Sunday when outlaw country music legend Billy Don Burns, joined by the one-and-only Tom McElvain, takes to the intimate stage in Riverton's Backroom Lounge for a Sunday Sermon show at 3 p.m. Call 217-629-9493 to reserve a seat, and don't wait around, 'cause this one will be a full house.

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# Father-daughter team treasures common bond



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

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

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

In 2007, he found a place for that love

to take root when he bought Decatur Coin and Jewelry, a business that has been located at 104 N. Main St. in downtown Decatur since 1972.

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

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

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

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



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

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

create, as well," she said.

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

"We are professional numismatists and travel the coin show circuit buying investor grade coins that we seldom encounter here at the shop.

"We 'know' where the value is and many of my long term clients have become wealthy by paying for our experienced eyes. High eye appeal coins I sold just a few years ago for a couple of hundred dollars are worth thousands today," Bennie Strumpher said.

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

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

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### Thursday Dec 9

**Open mic with Jess Cloyd**  
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

**JackAsh, Fun DMC, Unchained**  
Curve Inn, 6-10pm

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

**Jack White**  
It's All About Wine, 6-8pm

**J.C.B. Entertainment Karaoke**  
La Fiesta Chatham, 7-11pm

**Samba Llamas**  
Roots Latin Grill, 6pm

**it Brandon Santini's Big Time Blues Trio**  
Whiskey Jack's Sports Bar, 7pm

### Friday Dec 10

**Josie Lowder**  
Anchors Away, 8-10pm

**X-Krush**  
The Blue Grouch Pub, 7:30-11:30pm

**Gabe Marshall**  
Brewski's Pub, 7-10pm

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

**Soup Experience**  
Curve Inn, 6-10pm

**Smells Like Nirvana**  
Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 7:30pm

**Joel Honey**  
Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, 6-9pm

**Angel Brown's Smooth N' Blue Band**  
Lime Street Cafe, 7-10:30pm

**8UP**  
Main Gate Bar & Grill, 8pm-12am

**Brushville**  
Route 66 Motorheads Bar, Grill and Museum, 8-10pm



Springpatch Serenade plays Route 66 Motorheads on Sunday.

**Avery Kern**  
Slaughterhouse Brewing Co., Auburn, 6pm

**1 in the Gun**  
The Stadium Bar & Grill, 7-10:30pm

**Brandy Kristin & The Revivals**  
Weebles Bar & Grill, 7-11pm

**Acoustic Duo**  
Whiskey Jack's Sports Bar, 7pm

### Saturday Dec 11

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

**Johnnie Owens**  
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 3-5pm

**Jack Swagger**  
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 5-7pm

**The Red Ribbon Revue**  
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 8-11pm

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

**Sunshine Daydream**  
Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 7-10pm

**The Jay Larson Band with Eva and Marla**  
George Rank's, 8-11pm

**Jameson Freeway**  
Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, 6pm

**Angel Brown's Smooth N' Blue Band**  
Lime Street Cafe, 7-10:30pm

**Einstein's Baby**  
Main Gate Bar & Grill, 8pm

**Drive-thru karaoke with Chris**  
Northern Lights Lounge, 8:30pm-12:30am

**Ryman's Way**  
Pop's Place, Decatur, 8pm-12am

**Jeff Young and the Bad Grandpas**  
Route 66 Motorheads Bar, Grill and Museum, 7:30pm

**The Stone Giants**  
Third Base Sports Bar, 7-11pm

**Tom Beverly**  
Walnut Street Winery, Rochester, 7-10pm

**Broken Stone**  
Weebles Bar & Grill, 7pm

### Sunday Dec 12

**Mike Burnett**  
3Sixteen Wine Bar, Chatham, 4-7pm

**Billy Don Burns and Tom McElvain**  
The Backroom Lounge, Riverton, 3pm

**James Herr Acoustic**  
Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 2pm

**it Andre Howard Band**  
Bourbon Street Rhythm, 6-9pm

**Joel Gragg**  
Harvest Market, 10am-1pm

**Curt Smith**  
It's All About Wine, 3-6pm

**it Springpatch Serenade**  
Route 66 Motorheads Bar, Grill and Museum, 2-5pm

### Monday Dec 13

**Brother Jefferson**  
The Alamo, 7pm

**Open mic**  
Whiskey Jack's Sports Bar, 8-11pm

### Tuesday Dec 14

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

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

**Open jam with Nate Cozadd**  
George Rank's, 8-11pm

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

### Wednesday Dec 15

**Open mic**  
Boone's, 6-10pm

**Johnnie Owens**  
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 5-7pm

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

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## THE CALENDAR



**TubaChristmas**  
Saturday, Dec. 11, 1 p.m.  
White Oaks Mall  
2501 Wabash Ave.  
217-836-2053  
Free

### MUSIC | A seasonal ensemble repertoire for tuba and euphonium

**it** Need a new family holiday tradition? Check out TubaChristmas at White Oaks Mall on Saturday, Dec. 11. This year marks the 48<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the TubaChristmas concerts which are presented throughout the world. The event was conceived in 1974 by Harvey Phillips as a tribute to his tuba teacher and mentor, William J. Bell, who was born on Christmas Day in 1902, and whose legacy has instilled musicians and music teachers with high performance standards, well-structured pedagogy, professional integrity and a sense of enviable camaraderie. The first TubaChristmas was performed at New York City's Rockefeller Plaza. This will be the third year for a local performance and Tom Philbrick, director of the Springfield Municipal Band, will be conducting. It is open to all tuba and euphonium players from middle school through senior citizens, and is said to be attracting musicians from across the state. The performance repertoire is fitting with the season, so bundle up the kids and head to the mall for TubaChristmas because it's fun, it's festive and it's free.

## THE CALENDAR

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### Books & Authors

**it** **Author meet and greet**  
Sat., Dec. 11, 2-4pm. Meet five of central Illinois' African American authors and poets -- Robert Horton, Steven Richie, Shatriya Smith, Donna Salazar and Dr. Khadijah White-Thomas. Springfield and Central Illinois African American History Museum, 1440 Monument Ave., 217-391-6323.

### Book discussion

Sat., Dec. 11, 11am. At 11am, Author Taylor Pensoneau will discuss the third book in his Jake Brosky mystery series, *Devil on the Prairie*. Pensoneau will also talk about his previous

writings. Free, but call to make a reservation as seating is limited. Books on the Square, 427 Washington St., 217-965-5443.

### Book signing

Sun., Dec. 12, 6:30pm. Dr. Khadijah White-Thomas and Donna Salazar will be on hand to sign copies of their book, *Living by Design Workbook*. Union Baptist Church, 1405 E. Monroe St., 217-544-8115.

### Theater & Comedy

**"Elf: The Musical"**  
Through Dec. 12. Follow Buddy the Elf in his quest to find his true identity. A great show for the whole family. \$20. Springfield Theatre Centre, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

### John Morgan

Fri., Dec. 10, 8pm and Sat., Dec. 11, 7:30, 9:30pm. The Ragin' Cajun. Casey's Pub, 2200 S. Meadowbrook Road, 217-241-7101.

### Dance

### The Nutcracker

Sat., Dec. 11, 2, 7pm and Sun., Dec. 12, 2pm. The magic and beauty of dance will shine bright this holiday season with the Springfield Ballet Company's most popular production. Visit the website or call to learn about COVID requirements for admission to the performance. [springfieldballetco.org](http://springfieldballetco.org). \$35. UIS Performing Arts Center, One University Plaza, 217-544-1967.

### Art & Architecture

**it** **"Opening Minds Through Art" Exhibition**  
Sun., Dec. 12, 5-6:30pm. OMA is an award-winning, art-making program for people with Alzheimer's and other neurocognitive disorders. M.G. Nelson Family Gallery, 700 N. Fourth St., 523-2631.

### Faith & Philosophy

#### John Angotti

Sun., Dec. 12, 4pm. Go Tell It on the Mountain Tour. Goodwill offering appreciated. Free. St.

Joseph the Worker Catholic Church, Chatham, 700 E. Spruce St., 217-483-3772.

### Holiday Happenings

#### Candlelight Tours

Dec. 10-11. Experience 19th century pioneer life. Historical interpreters will guide you through the Broadwell Inn, cabins, ag museum and blacksmith shop. Warm up by the fires. Coffee, hot cocoa and spirits available for purchase. Donations welcome. Clayville Historic Site, Pleasant Plains, Route 125, 217-481-4430.

#### Christmas giveaway

Fri., Dec. 10, 4-6pm. First-aid kits, coffee mugs, hot chocolate, YMCA one-day family passes, coffee, hot tea and donuts. Sponsored by Molina Healthcare, Café Moxo, Lakeisha Purchase, YMCA of Springfield and Mel-O-Cream Donuts. YMCA Downtown-Springfield, 601 N. Fourth St., 217-544-9846.

#### Caroling at the Carillon

Sun., Dec. 12, 4pm. Celebrate the season singing holiday carols next

to a roaring bonfire. Thomas Rees Memorial Carillon, 1740 W. Fayette Ave., 217-546-3853.

#### Children's Holiday Store

Through Dec. 19. Thu. and Fri. 4-7pm, Sat. 9am-6pm, Sun. 12-6pm. Children can shop for everyone on their Christmas list. Prices range from \$1-\$15. Volunteers will help them shop and wrap their gifts. This is the Mini O'Beirne Crisis Nursery's biggest fundraiser. Fairhills Mall, 1919 W. Monroe St., 217-525-6800.

#### Christkindlmarket

Dec. 10-11. Hot cocoa, warm cider, gingerbread house contest, Christmas lights display, horse-drawn carriage rides, live music. Central Park Plaza, Jacksonville, 32 N. Central Park, 217-245-6884.

#### Cookie Walk

Sat., Dec. 11. Homemade cookies, candy and holiday treats. 8am-12pm or until sold out. Health protocols will be followed. Douglas Avenue United Methodist Church, 501 S. Douglas Ave., 217-546-4631.

#### Cookie walk

Sat., Dec. 11, 8:30am-12pm. Homemade cookies, candies and breads are all homemade, including holiday cookies. Mask and social distancing required. \$7 per pound. St. John Vianney Church Activity Center, Sherman, 902 Saint Johns Dr., 217-741-4066.

#### Dickens Holiday Tea

Sat., Dec. 11, 2-3:30pm. Step back into the novels of Charles Dickens, including *A Christmas Carol*. The hostesses will have lots of interesting stories about afternoon teas and Charles Dickens. The afternoon includes the program, options of tea, typical tea snacks and fun items you can take home with you. [edwardsplace.org](http://edwardsplace.org). \$30-\$35. Edwards Place, Springfield Art Association, 700 N. Fourth St., 217-523-2631.

#### Henson Robinson Zoo Lights

Fridays-Sundays, 5-9pm. Adults \$7, kids 3-12 \$5, ages 2 and under are free. Henson Robinson Zoo, 1100 E. Lake Shore Dr., 217-585-1821.

#### The history and folklore of Santa Claus

Sat., Dec. 11, 2-3:30pm. Laura Keyes of Historic Voices will present this illustrated lecture including details on the journey St. Nicholas made to become our modern-day Santa Claus. Free. Lincoln Library, 326 S. Seventh St., 217-753-4900.

#### Holiday Craft Fair

Mondays-Saturdays, 9am-12pm. Call to shop after hours or to bring groups larger than 10. Closed Sundays and Thanksgiving. Cash or check, no credit cards. Masks required. Free admission. Jubilee Farm, 6760 Old Jacksonville Road, 217-787-6927.

#### Holiday Fest

Thu., Dec. 9, 10am-7pm, Sat., Dec. 11, 10am-7pm and Wed., Dec. 15, 10am-7pm. View the Memorial Holiday Fest wreath display and participate in seasonal activities. Decorate a Diwali Diya, create an ornament for the museum's Community Tree and engineer the fastest sled in a winter STEAM challenge. Health guidelines will be followed. [illinoisstatemuseum.org](http://illinoisstatemuseum.org). Free. Illinois State Museum, 502 S. Spring St., 217-782-6044.

#### Light Up the Park

Through Dec. 26. Bigger and better than ever, with more lights and displays. Hosted by the Chatham Friends of the Park. Chatham Community Park, Chatham, 731 S. Main St.

#### it Old Capitol Holiday Walks

Wednesdays, Saturdays. Every Saturday 10am-7pm and Wednesday, 5-8pm through Dec. 22. Decorated trees, a gingerbread village, living windows, visits with Santa, carriage rides, holiday shopping, living entertainment and holiday shopping. 'Tis the season to go downtown. Old State Capitol Plaza, between Sixth and Fifth streets at Adams, 217-544-1723.

#### Stuff the Sleigh

Wed., Dec. 15, 5-8pm. The Springfield Jaycees will be collecting gently used and new books, new still-packaged toys and new cold weather gear for local organizations. Also, canned goods and other non-perishable food items will be accepted for distribution to local micro pantries. [springfieldjaycees.net](http://springfieldjaycees.net). Downtown, Fourth and Adams streets.

#### Tree of Lights Ceremony

Sat., Dec. 11, 5:30pm. Buy a light to remember a special pet or loved one. Visit the website to order your light. [apl-shelter.org](http://apl-shelter.org). Animal Protective League, 1001 Taintor Road, 217-544-7387.

#### Winter Nights at the Museum

Wednesdays, Saturdays, 5-7pm. In partnership with Downtown Springfield, Inc. and Springfield Memorial Foundation. SMTD trolley pickup and drop off at Historic Union Station. Free with charity donation. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, 212 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.





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**HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS | Experience the magic**

**it** *Illinois Times* scored an exclusive interview with Santa Claus just in time for his upcoming virtual appearance at The Muni, and boy, did we get the scoop on the old guy. Did you know that, although he says he feels pretty lucky with his job of flying around the world delivering cheer, his first job was shoveling snow at the North Pole? “Well, someone had to do it,” Santa said. In his spare time, he likes to listen to Adele and he also likes to read. He said the last book he read was *Around the World in 80 Days*, and then he chuckled, “I don’t know what took them so long.” Santa can also be a bit of a villain, to those who end up with coal in their stockings, at least. But his motto is, “It is never too late to get on the nice list.” He’s passionate about technology, a bit of a collector in fact, and he’s thinking about getting an iPad to keep track of his nice and naughty list. Santa’s biggest indulgence, though, is musical theater, “So, when The Muni asked me speak to the children of Springfield for them, I jumped at the chance!” That’s right, you can have a chance to ask Santa your hard-hitting questions at The Muni’s Meet Santa Virtually event on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 9,10. Visit The Muni’s Facebook page and click on the link to sign up. Oh, and don’t forget your Christmas wish list.

**Young at Heart**  
Tue., Dec. 14, 9:30am-12pm.  
Blood pressure checks begin at 9:30am, followed by a musical performance by the Athens school choirs. A devotion will be given before a free luncheon catered by County Market. free. Athens Christian Church, Athens, 1411 E. Route 29, 217-636-8463.

**Children’s Corner**

**Breakfast with Santa**  
Sat., Dec. 11, 8-10:30am. Stop in for a hearty breakfast with Santa. Also get a face painting, a twisty balloon animal, glitter stick-on tattoos and more. Springfield Masonic Center, 1020 Rickard Road, 217-793-7728.

**Santa’s Funshop**  
Fridays, 5-8pm and Saturdays, Sundays, 12-6pm. Bring your own phone or camera for pictures with Santa. Every kid

leaves with a stocking of fun. \$15 for one child and one adult. Funshop, 1601 North 5th St, 217-544-1751 x1012.

**A Very STEM Christmas**  
Sat., Dec. 11, 9-10am. Make a Christmas catapult, make Rudolph fly and try some hands-on Christmas chemistry. Early registration is recommended as the class is limited to 12 children. Call or visit the Springfield Park District’s website for more information. [springfieldparks.org](http://springfieldparks.org). \$27-\$37. Washington Park Pavilion, 1400 Williams Blvd., 217-546-3970.

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**Gamblers Anonymous**  
Wednesdays, Sundays, 6:30-8pm. Do you or a family member have a gambling problem? Gamblers Anonymous of Springfield can help. We’ve all been where you are, we understand you the way no one else can. No dues or fees and the only requirement is to have a desire to stop gambling. 217-414-6690 for more information. Hope Presbyterian Church, 2211 Wabash Ave., 217-414-6690.

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 Defendants.  
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 First Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$141,191.16  
 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 & Associates, LLC, 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL, 60563, (630) 453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit [www.dallegal.com](http://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 & Associates, LLC  
 1771 W. Diehl Rd., Ste 120  
 Naperville, IL 60563-4947  
 630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-428-4620 (fax)  
 Attorney No. Cook 64727, 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  
 Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 Brian Mueller; Illinois Healthcare and Family Services; Defendants.  
 CASE NO. 2021 CH 000053  
 2016 North 16th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62702  
**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 October 6, 2021, I, Sheriff, Jack Campbell of Sangamon County, Illinois, will hold a sale on January 4, 2022, commencing at 9:00 AM , at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, Room , 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: 2016 North 16th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62702  
 P.I.N.: 14-23.0-106-010  
 First mortgage Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$83,256.44  
 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  
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 Attorney No. Cook 64727, DuPage 293191, Kane 031-26104, Peoria 1794, Winnebago 3802, IL 03126232  
 MidwestPleadings@dallegal.com  
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F21060009 CNLR  
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
 SANGAMON COUNTY—SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
 CitiMortgage, Inc. Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Pamela Clifton aka Pamela J. Clifton; Defendants.  
 CASE NO. 2021 CH 000051  
 1048 North Osburn Avenue, Springfield Illinois 62702  
**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 October 6, 2021, I, Sheriff, Jack Campbell of Sangamon County, Illinois, will hold a sale on January 4, 2022, commencing at 9:00 AM , at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, Room , 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: 1048 North Osburn Avenue, Springfield Illinois 62702  
 P.I.N.: 14-28.0-131-032  
 First mortgage Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$61,227.64  
 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 of Sangamon County.  
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 Sales Department at Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC, 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL, 60563, (630) 453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit [www.dallegal.com](http://www.dallegal.com) 24 hours prior to sale.  
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 Attorney No. Cook 64727, 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 FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
 SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD ILLINOIS  
 MidFirst Bank Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 Springfield Housing Authority; Illinois Housing Development Authority; State of Illinois; Tyree Robinson, as Independent Administrator of the Estate of Tymae L. Holloman, deceased Defendants.  
 Case No. 2020CH000024  
 1205 East Washington Street, Springfield, IL 62703  
 Judge Adam Giganti  
**NOTICE OF SALE**  
 PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on October 6, 2021, Jack Campbell will on January 11, 2022, at the hour of 9:00AM at the Sangamon County Sheriff's Office, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Second Floor, Springfield, IL 62703, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:  
 Commonly known as 1205 East Washington Street, Springfield, IL 62703  
 Parcel Number(s): 14-27.0-487-022  
 The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence.  
 Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or certified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar funds. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. The property will NOT be open for inspection.  
 If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than the mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g) (1) and (g)(4).  
 For information call Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601. Phone number: 312-651-6700. Attorney file number: 20-001069.  
 Edward R. PETERKA  
 MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC  
 Attorneys for Plaintiff  
 One East Wacker, Suite 1250  
 Chicago, IL 60601  
 Telephone: 312-651-6700  
 Fax: 614-220-5613  
 Attorney No.: 6220416  
 Email: [StateEfilng@manleydeas.com](mailto:StateEfilng@manleydeas.com)



# PUBLIC NOTICES

COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
ESTATE OF  
DONALD W. HUDSON,  
DECEASED.  
No. 2021 P 667  
CLAIMS NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Donald W. Hudson. Notice is given to all creditors of Donald W. Hudson, that Letters of Administration of the Estate of Donald W. Hudson, Deceased, were issued on December 1, 2021, to Kevin N. McDermott, Sangamon County Public Administrator, 109 S. 7th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the Administrator, 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 Administrator within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 1st day of December, 2021.  
Kevin N. McDermott, Attorney  
109 South Seventh Street  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 753-4070  
Ill. Reg. No. 6196497  
www.KevinNMcDermott.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY,  
ILLINOIS  
IN THE ESTATE OF:  
SHARON L. SMITHERS, Deceased.  
Case No.: 2021-P-611  
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF WILL AND  
CLAIMS

Notice is hereby given of the death of Sharon L. Smithers, Letters of Office were issued. The name and address of the Executor is Susan J. Hunter, 1349 Jambalana Lane, Ft. Myers, Florida, 33901. James Ackerman is counsel for the Executor. His address is Ackerman Law Office, P.C., 2601 South Fifth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62702, or with the representative, or both, on or before June 16, 2022. Any claim not filed on or before June 16, 2022, is barred. Copies of the 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 16th day of November, 2021.

SUSAN J. HUNTER, Administrator  
By:  
/s/ James W. Ackerman  
James W. Ackerman, Administrator's  
Attorney  
PREPARED BY:  
James W. Ackerman (06192795)  
ACKERMAN LAW OFFICE  
2601 South Fifth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
(217) 789-1977  
jim@ackermanlawoffices.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEV-

ENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN RE THE ESTATE OF:  
DAVID T. HARVATIN,  
Deceased.  
No. 2021-P-673  
CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of David T. Harvatin. Letters Testamentary were issued on December 1, 2021, to Theodore J. Harvatin of 1320 Weston Pointe Dr., Springfield, IL 62704 as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Dan E. Way, WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC, 1100 S. Fifth St., Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before July 8, 2022, which is not less than six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAO/gethelp.asp>, or contact your local Circuit Clerk's office. Dated this 1st day of December 2021 Dan E. Way, #6204735  
WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC  
1100 S. Fifth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
(217) 525-7003

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN RE THE ESTATE OF:  
SALLIE M. FRY,  
Deceased.  
2021-P-675  
CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Sallie M. Fry. Letters of Administration were issued on December 1, 2021 to Chelsea Fry of 801 Coler Ave. #6, Urbana, IL 61801 as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Dan E. Way, WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC, 1100 S. Fifth St., Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before July 8, 2022, which is not less than six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

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WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC  
Attorney for Administrator  
1100 S. Fifth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
Ph.: (217) 525-7003

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN RE THE ESTATE OF:  
PATRICIA A. SMITH,  
Deceased.

No. 2021-P-671  
CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of Patricia A. Smith. Letters Testamentary were issued on December 1, 2021, to Thomas W. Smith, 2344 S. Ninth St., Springfield, IL 62703 as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Dan E. Way, WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC, 1100 S. Fifth St., Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before July 8, 2022, which is not less than six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

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WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC  
1100 S. Fifth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703  
(217) 525-7003

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
ESTATE OF  
KEITH UNDERWOOD, Deceased  
CASE NO. 2021-P-631  
CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of KEITH UNDERWOOD, Letters of Office were issued on November 10, 2021 to GLENDA WORTLEY, 3012 Summerwood, Springfield, IL as Administrator 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  
Facsimile: (217) 544-0713

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

In the Matter of the Estate of EUGENE E. COSTA, Deceased.  
No. 2021P000654  
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS  
Notice is given of the death of Eugene E. Costa. Letters of office were issued on November 29, 2021 to Edward Q. Costa, 1378 Masters Lane, Decatur, Illinois 62521, as executor, whose attorneys are Samuels, Miller, Schroeder, Jackson & Sly, LLP, 225 N. Water St., Suite 301, P.O. Box 1400, Decatur, Illinois 62525. The estate will be administered without Court supervision unless, under Section 5/28-4 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 of this Court. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before June 15, 2022, as to any creditor notified by publication of this Notice, or, on or before three months from the date of mailing or delivery of this Notice to a creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated: November 29, 2021.  
EDWARD Q. COSTA, Executor  
By: SAMUELS, MILLER, SCHROEDER,  
JACKSON & SLY, LLP  
Attorneys for the Estate  
P. O. Box 1400  
Decatur, IL 62525-1400  
Telephone: (217) 429-4325  
Fax: (217) 425-6313

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
In the Matter of the Estate of  
WALTER H. KASTEN, Deceased.

IN PROBATE  
NO. 2021 P 650  
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of FRANK W. SHERMAN, deceased. Letters of Office were issued on November 18, 2021, to Kathryn L. Nonneman, Executor, whose attorney is Dwight O'Keefe, Brown, Hay & Stephens, 1000 US Bank Building, P.O. Box 2459, Springfield, IL 62705. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before May 28, 2022, or three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Dated this 18th day of November, 2021. Dwight O'Keefe, of Counsel  
Brown, Hay & Stephens

1000 US Bank Building  
P.O. Box 2459  
Springfield, IL 62701  
(217) 544-8491

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
MABEL RUTH ESTES, Deceased  
NO. 2021-P-656  
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Mabel Ruth Estes, Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on November 23, 2021, to James Estes, 2708 Wellington Drive, Springfield, IL 62703, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Gregory P. Sgro, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr & Rabin, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Representative, or both, on or before the 1st of June, 2022, or three months from the date the Representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated this 23rd day of November, 2021. Gregory P. Sgro  
Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr & Rabin, LLP  
1119 S. Sixth Street  
Springfield, IL 62703

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

Re: the marriage of  
Danyel Anderson, Petitioner  
And  
Nathaniel Strong Jr., Respondent  
Case No. 2021-D-459  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Notice is given you Nathaniel Strong Jr., 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 2nd day of January, 2021, 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  
Linda Elizabeth Campas  
For change of name to  
Linda Elizabeth Cappellin  
Case No.: 21-MR-1432  
PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Dec. 21, 2021 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Linda Elizabeth Campas to Linda Elizabeth Cappellin pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Nov. 25, 2021

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
In the matter of the Petition of

Trae Michael Filbrun  
For change of name to  
Trae Michael Damhoff  
Case No.: 21-MR-1479  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
Public Notice is hereby given that on Dec. 21, 2021 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Trae Michael Filbrun to Trae Michael Damhoff pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Nov. 25, 2021

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

In the matter of the Petition of JohnJames Francis Simeon Wyatt For change of name to JohnJames Rocha Simeon  
Case No.: 21-MR-1504  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
Public Notice is hereby given that on Jan. 25, 2021 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from JohnJames Francis Simeon Wyatt to JohnJames Rocha Simeon pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Dec. 2, 2021

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

In the matter of the Petition of Susan Meyer Osthus For change of name to Ryan Meyer Osthus  
Case No.: 21-MR-1501  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
Public Notice is hereby given that on Jan. 25, 2021 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Susan Meyer Osthus to Ryan Meyer Osthus pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Dec. 2, 2021

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

In the matter of the Petition of Adalynn Renee Boone For change of name to Beverly Barbara Boone  
Case No.: 21-MR-1478  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
Public Notice is hereby given that on Jan. 25, 2021 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Adalynn Renee Boone to Beverly Barbara Boone pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Dec. 2, 2021

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

In the matter of the Petition of Melody Ann Boyce For change of name to Melody Ann Johnson  
Case No.: 21-MR-1470  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
Public Notice is hereby given that on Jan. 25, 2021 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Melody Ann Boyce to Melody Ann Johnson pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Dec. 2, 2021

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

In the matter of the Petition of Jennifer Dona Rollinson For change of name to



Jennifer Dona Flowers  
Case No.: 21-MR-1522  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
Public Notice is hereby given that on Jan. 25, 2022 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Jennifer Dona Rollinson to Jennifer Dona Flowers pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: Dec. 9, 2021

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
In the matter of the Petition of Melanie Elaine Clark  
For change of name to Melchior E Clark  
Case No.: 21-MR-1532  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
Public Notice is hereby given that on Jan. 25, 2022 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Melanie Elaine Clark to Melchior E Clark pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.  
Dated: Dec. 9, 2021

## Foreclosure

F19110261 FRDM  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY—SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
Freedom Mortgage Corporation  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
Margaret A. Lyons-Romans aka Margaret A. Lyons; Samuel R. Romans aka Samuel Romans;

Defendants.  
CASE NO. 19 CH 414  
2416 Idlewild Drive, 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 March 11, 2020, I, Sheriff, Jack Campbell of Sangamon County, Illinois, will hold a sale on January 4, 2022, commencing at 9:00 AM, at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, Room , 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:

LOT 51, EXCEPT THE WEST 25 FEET OF LOTS 51 MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES WITH THE COMMON LOT LINE BETWEEN LOTS 52 AND 51 IN WESTCHESTER TENTH ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 7 AND PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, AS PLATTED BY PLAT FILED OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ON SEPTEMBER 19, 1968, AND RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 325986 IN BOOK 20 OF PLATS AT PAGE 1, SITUATED IN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
EXCEPT ALL COAL AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING SAID LANDS, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT TO MINE AND REMOVE SAME.  
SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Commonly known as: 2416 Idlewild Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62704  
P.I.N.: 22-07.0-378-025  
First Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$141,191.16  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH 735 ILCS 5/15-1507(c)(1)(H-1) AND (H-2), 765 ILCS

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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 & Associates, LLC, 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL, 60563, (630) 453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit [www.dallegal.com](http://www.dallegal.com) 24 hours prior to sale.

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1771 W. Diehl Rd., Ste 120  
Naperville, IL 60563-4947  
630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-428-4620 (fax)  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY—SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
Brian Mueller; Illinois Healthcare and Family Services; Defendants.  
CASE NO. 2021 CH 000053  
2016 North 16th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62702

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 October 6, 2021, I, Sheriff, Jack Campbell of Sangamon County, Illinois, will hold a sale on January 4, 2022, commencing at 9:00 AM , at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, Room , 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:

LOT 20 IN BLOCK 5 OF SAUNDER'S SUBDIVISION BEING A PART OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5, WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN.  
EXCEPTING ALL COAL AND MINERALS UNDERLYING SAID LOT AND MINING RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED OF RECORD.  
SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as: 2016 North 16th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62702  
P.I.N.: 14-23.0-106-010  
First mortgage Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$83,256.44  
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 of Sangamon County.  
The person to contact for information regarding this property is:  
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8051-919217

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY—SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
CitiMortgage, Inc.  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Pamela Clifton aka Pamela J. Clifton;  
Defendants.  
CASE NO. 2021 CH 000051  
1048 North Osburn Avenue, Springfield Illinois 62702

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 October 6, 2021, I, Sheriff, Jack Campbell of Sangamon County, Illinois, will hold a sale on January 4, 2022, commencing at 9:00 AM , at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, Room , 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 NORTH HALF OF LOT 14 IN BLOCK 4 IN FRANK OSBURN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD.  
EXCEPT ALL COAL AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING SAID LANDS, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT TO MINE AND REMOVE THE SAME.  
SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
Commonly known as: 1048 North Osburn Avenue, Springfield Illinois 62702  
P.I.N.: 14-28.0-131-032

First mortgage Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$61,227.64  
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 ASSESS-

MENTS 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 of Sangamon County.  
The person to contact for information regarding this property is:  
Sales Department at Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC, 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL, 60563, (630) 453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit [www.dallegal.com](http://www.dallegal.com) 24 hours prior to sale.

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8051-919215

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD ILLINOIS  
MidFirst Bank  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
Springfield Housing Authority; Illinois Housing Development Authority; State of Illinois; Tyree Robinson, as Independent Administrator of the Estate of Tymae L. Holloman, deceased  
Defendants.  
Case No. 2020CH000024  
1205 East Washington Street, Springfield, IL 62703

Judge Adam Giganti  
NOTICE OF SALE  
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on October 6, 2021, Jack Campbell will on January 11, 2022, at the hour of 9:00AM at the Sangamon County Sheriff's Office, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Second Floor, Springfield, IL 62703, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

Part of Lots Ten (10), Eleven (11) and Twelve (12) in Block One (1) of Thomas Lewis Addition to the City of Springfield, described more particularly as follows: Commencing at an iron pin marking the Southeast corner of the aforementioned Block One (1), thence North 89 degrees 02 minutes 28 seconds West along the North line of Washington Street a distance of 199.01 feet to an iron pipe marking the true point of beginning, thence continuing North 89 degrees 02 minutes 28 seconds West along the North line of Washington Street a distance of 60.40 feet to an iron pipe, thence North 00 degrees 39 minutes 58 seconds East a distance of 100.00 feet to an iron pipe, thence South 89 degrees 02 minutes 28 seconds East a distance of 60.40 feet to an iron pipe, thence South 00 degrees 39 minutes 58 seconds West a distance of 100.00 feet to the true point of beginning, and as depicted as Parcel D on a Plat of Survey recorded March 30, 2009 as Document No. 2009R17048.

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.

Commonly known as 1205 East Washington Street, Springfield, IL 62703  
Parcel Number(s): 14-27.0-487-022  
The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence.  
Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or certified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar funds. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than the mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).  
For information call Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601. Phone number: 312-651-6700. Attorney file number: 20-001069.

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MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC  
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8051-919576

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

vs.  
TARA HOLLO, ERIN LANCASTER, MEGAN LANG, JESSE LANG, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF PENNY M. LANG, Deceased, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.  
No. 2021CH92  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF PENNY LANG, DECEASED, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, MEGAN LANG and TARA HOLLO, 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 said Defendant is December 30, 2021. Plaintiff has certified the following regarding said foreclosure action filed on September 17, 2021.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case Number are as follows: United Community Bank, an Illinois banking corporation; Case No. 2021CH92  
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: Heirs and Legatees of Penny Lang, deceased

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

The North 40 feet of the South 120 feet of Lots 1 and 2 of Block 3 of Mrs. Ulrich's Addition to the City of Springfield. Excepting and reserving the West 20 feet.

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.  
5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 905 S. Henrietta Street, Springfield, Illinois

6. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: Name of Mortgagor: Penny Lang, an unmarried person  
Name of Mortgagee: United Community Bank

Date of Mortgage: December 14, 2001  
Date of recording: December 28, 2001  
County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2001R67164  
/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
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8051-919358

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
JANIE SEEBOLD, AS INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF A. JAMES ROBINSON AKA A. ROBINSON, DECEASED, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF A. JAMES ROBINSON AKA A. ROBINSON, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF A. JAMES ROBINSON AKA A. ROBINSON, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF A. JAMES ROBINSON AKA A. ROBINSON, DECEASED, CAROL ROBINSON and JANIE SEEBOLD AKA JANIE L. SEEBOLD, Defendants.

CASE NO. 2021CH00010  
PROPERTY ADDRESS:  
813 ROANOKE DR.  
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown Heirs and Devisees of A. James Robinson aka A. Robinson, deceased, Unknown Claimants and Lienholders Against the Estate of A. James Robinson aka A. Robinson, deceased and Unknown Claimants and Lienholders Against the Unknown Heirs and Devisees of A. James Robinson aka A. Robinson, deceased, Defendants, this case has been commenced in this Court against you and others, asking for foreclosure of the Mortgage held by the Plaintiff on the property located at 813 Roanoke Dr., Springfield, IL 62702, more particularly described as:

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: Heirs of A. James Robinson, deceased  
iv. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:  
LOT 76 OF JEFFERSON PARK THIRD



ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 AND PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE 3RD P.M., AS PLATTED BY THE PLAT FILED IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ON JUNE 23, 1965, IN VOLUME 19 OF PLATS, PAGE 24; SITUATED IN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD. EXCEPT ALL COAL, MINERALS AND MINING RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OF RECORD. Permanent Index Number: 14-30.0-401-003

v. A common address or description of the location for the real estate is as follows:  
813 Roanoke Dr., Springfield, IL 62702 vi. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: Names of the Mortgagors: A. James Robinson and Sharon G. Robinson Names of the Mortgagee: PNC Bank, National Association Date of the Mortgage: November 30, 2017

Date of the recording: December 11, 2017

County where recorded: Sangamon County

Recording document identification:

Document No. 2017R31492  
UNLESS YOU FILE your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the Office of the Clerk of this Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701-1629 on or before JANUARY 3, 2022, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT FOR FORECLOSURE.

CLERK OF THE COURT  
THIS COMMUNICATION IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.  
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8051-919514

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.  
GRANT FORBES, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

Case No. 21-MR-1474  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, and Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 10, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 1902 E. Cook Street, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as: Lots 14 and 15 Block 2 in Gatschenberger Subdivision to the City of Springfield. Except that part conveyed to the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern Railroad Company by Deed recorded April 21, 1933, as Document 169342. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-35.0-326-001 and 14-35.0-326-002); and for other relief.

UNLESS Grant Forbes, unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before December 27, 2021, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.  
/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court  
James K. Zerkle  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.  
TERRY SHUTT, VALERI SHUTT, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

Case No. 21-MR-1472  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Terry Shutt, Valeri Shutt, Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 10, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 1307 S. 11th Street, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:  
THE SOUTH 30 FEET OF THE EAST 30 FEET OF LOT 11;  
THE SOUTH 30 FEET OF LOT 12;  
THE NORTH 5 FEET OF LOT 13 AND THE NORTH 5 FEET OF THE EAST 30 FEET OF LOT 14;  
ALL IN THE BLOCK OF 2 OUTLOTS TO BARRET'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
(Permanent Parcel No. 14-34.0-452-028);  
and for other relief.

UNLESS Terry Shutt, Valerie Shutt, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before December 27, 2021 A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.  
/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.  
ARLENE BOYKIN, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

Case No. 21-MR-1473  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Arlene Boykin, Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 10, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 917 N. 12th Street, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:  
Lot 3 in Block 8 of Furniture Factory Park Addition to the City of Springfield. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-27.0-258-017);  
and for other relief.

UNLESS Arlene Boykin, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before December 27, 2021, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.  
/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.  
JASON HAWKINS HUGHES, CHARLES BELLEMEY, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.  
Case No. 21-MR-1512  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Jason Hawkins Hughes, Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 16, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 105 Yates Avenue, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:  
The West 52 feet of Lots 4 and 5 in Block 1 in B.F. Fox's Subdivision of part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 21, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-21.0-478-015);  
and for other relief.

UNLESS Jason Hawkins Hughes, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before December 27, 2021, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.  
/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.  
CHOSEN GENERATION GOSPEL MINISTRIES, INC. A/K/A CHOSEN GENERATION GOSPEL MINISTRIES, TOWN AND COUNTRY BANK, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.  
Case No. 21-MR-1510  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Chosen Generation Gospel Ministries, Inc. a/k/a Chosen Generation Gospel Ministries, Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 16, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 302 & 304 W. Allen Street, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:  
Parcel 1:  
The West 30 feet of the North 77 feet of Lot 10 in Block 4 of Shutt & Starne's Addition. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.  
Parcel 2:  
Lot 11 in Block 4 of Shutt & Starne's Addition. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.  
(Permanent Parcel Nos. 14-33.0-480-005 and 14-33.0-480-006);  
and for other relief.

UNLESS Chosen Generation Gospel Ministries, Inc. a/k/a Chosen Generation Gospel Ministries, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before December 27, 2021, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.  
/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court  
James K. Zerkle  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.  
KCA DEVELOPMENT, LLC, SANGAMON COUNTY AS TRUSTEE FOR TAXING DISTRICTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.  
Case No. 21-MR-1509  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, KCA Development,

LLC, Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 16, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 1421 S. 15th Street, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:  
THE SOUTH 34 FEET OF LOT 12 IN BLOCK 8 OF HORNSBY'S SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE NORTH FRACTIONAL HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
(Permanent Parcel No. 22-03.0-205-013);  
and for other relief.

UNLESS KCA Development, LLC, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before December 27, 2021, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.  
/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
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James K. Zerkle  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.  
JOHN PHAM A/K/A JOHN N. PHAM, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AQUA FINANCE, INC., UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.  
Case No. 21-MR-1513  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, John Pham a/k/a John N. Pham, Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 16, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 401 N. Amos Avenue, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:  
Lot 23 except the East 3 feet in Henry Selinger Estates Subdivision of all that part of the Northeast Quarter of the West half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, lying South of the middle of Beardstown Road, as shown on said Subdivision Plat as now on file in the Recorder's office of Sangamon County, Illinois. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.  
(Permanent Parcel No. 14-29.0-403-038);  
and for other relief.  
UNLESS John Pham a/k/a John N. Pham, and Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before

December 27, 2021, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.  
/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court  
James K. Zerkle  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.  
DAVID KETTELKAMP, PEOPLES BANK & TRUST, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.  
Case No. 21-MR-1523  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, David Kettelkamp, Peoples Bank & Trust and Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 19, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 933 N. 10th Street, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:  
Tract 2 in Plat of Survey of the East 100 feet of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Block 4 of Lewis' College Addition. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.  
(Permanent Parcel No. 14-27.0-252-014);  
and for other relief.

UNLESS David Kettelkamp, Peoples Bank & Trust, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before January 3, 2022, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.  
/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court  
James K. Zerkle  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.  
DIANE M. LOWERY, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, AS SUCCESSOR TO U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, WHICH WAS SUCCESSOR TO FIRST TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR HOME IMPROVEMENT LOAN TRUST 1996-D, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.  
No. 21-MR-1528  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION



NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Diane M. Lowery, U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, as successor to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as trustee, which was successor to First Trust National Association, as trustee for Home Improvement Loan Trust 1996-D, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 23, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 2236 S. 14th Street, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as: Lot 68 of Lenox Subdivision, being a Subdivision of part of the West half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 3, Township 15 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. (Permanent Parcel No. 22-03.0-410-011); and for other relief.

UNLESS Diane M. Lowery, U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, as successor to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as trustee, which was successor to First Trust National Association, as trustee for Home Improvement Loan Trust 1996-D, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before January 3, 2022, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.

/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court  
James K. Zerkle  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff, vs.

LOUISE ANDERS, LOUISE ANDERS AS HEIR AT LAW OF DAVID ANDERS, TAMMY OPALKA AS HEIR AT LAW OF DAVID ANDERS, DAVID ANDERS JR. AS HEIR AT LAW OF DAVID ANDERS, JAMES ANDERS AS HEIR AT LAW OF DAVID ANDERS, DYLAN ANDERS AS HEIR AT LAW OF DAVID ANDERS, SANGAMON COUNTY AS TRUSTEE FOR TAXING DISTRICTS, JENKINS/JENKINS REALTY GROUP LLC, LBN, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF DAVID ANDERS, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

Case No. 21-MR-1530

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Louise Anders, Louise Anders as Heir at Law of David Anders, Tammy Opalka as Heir at Law of David Anders, David Anders Jr. as Heir at Law of David Anders, James Anders as Heir at Law of David Anders, Dylan Anders as Heir at Law of David Anders, Jenkins/Jenkins Realty Group LLC, LBN, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of David Anders, Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 23, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 2015 E. Jackson, Springfield, Illinois,

and legally described as:

Lot 23 in Block 1 of Edwin A. Wilson's Capital Subdivision to the City of Springfield. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-35.0-177-025);

UNLESS Louise Anders, Louise Anders as Heir at Law of David Anders, Tammy Opalka as Heir at Law of David Anders, David Anders Jr. as Heir at Law of David Anders, James Anders as Heir at Law of David Anders, Dylan Anders as Heir at Law of David Anders, Jenkins/Jenkins Realty Group LLC, LBN, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of David Anders and Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before January 3, 2022, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.

/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff, vs.

REBECCA R. SCHUMACHER AS ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE AND HEIR AT LAW OF MELVIN K. SCHUMACHER, JAZMINE LEWIS AS HEIR AT LAW OF MELVIN K. SCHUMACHER, MARTINA TEASLEY AS HEIR AT LAW OF MELVIN K. SCHUMACHER, DEJUAN ADAMS AS HEIR AT LAW OF MELVIN K. SCHUMACHER, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF MELVIN K. SCHUMACHER, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No. 21-MR-1531

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Rebecca R. Schumacher as Administrator of the Estate and Heir at Law of Melvin K. Schumacher, Jazmine Lewis as Heir at Law of Melvin K. Schumacher, Martina Teasley as Heir at Law of Melvin K. Schumacher, DeJuan Adams as Heir at Law of Melvin K. Schumacher, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Melvin K. Schumacher, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 23, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 2001 E. South Grand Avenue, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as: Lots 18 and 19 in Block 5 of Edwin A. Wilson's Grand Avenue Subdivision to the City of Springfield. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-35.0-381-034);

and for other relief.  
UNLESS Rebecca R. Schumacher as Administrator of the Estate and Heir at Law of Melvin K. Schumacher, Jazmine Lewis as Heir at Law of Melvin K.

Schumacher, Martina Teasley as Heir at Law of Melvin K. Schumacher, DeJuan Adams as Heir at Law of Melvin K. Schumacher, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Melvin K. Schumacher, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before January 3, 2022, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.

/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff, vs.

DIAMOND HANDS CAPITAL, LLC, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No. 21-MR-1554

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Diamond Hands Capital, LLC, Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 29, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 1514 Moffat Avenue, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:

THE EAST 43 FEET OF THE WEST 126 FEET OF LOTS 3 AND 4 IN BLOCK 21 OF BRADFORD & HICKOX' ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-26.0-301-004);

and for other relief.

UNLESS Diamond Hands Capital, LLC, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before January 10, 2022, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.

/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court  
James K. Zerkle  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff, vs.

JAMES WALSH, UNKNOWN OWNERS and

NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No. 21-MR-1549

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, James Walsh, Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 29, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 1219 E. Laurel Street, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:

THE WEST 115.9 FEET OF LOTS 6 AND 7 IN BLOCK 4 OF STUART BROWN'S SUBDIVISION, BEING A PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN IN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. (Permanent Parcel No. 22-03.0-218-006);

and for other relief.

UNLESS James Walsh, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before January 10, 2022, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.

/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff, vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF L. REGINALD JACKSON, SANGAMON COUNTY AS TRUSTEE FOR TAXING DISTRICTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No. 21-MR-1558

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of L. Reginald Jackson, Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 29, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 1118 N. Macarthur Blvd., Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:  
THE NORTH 10 FEET OF LOT 24 AND ALL OF LOT 25 IN BLOCK 1 OF CHARLES E. BARR'S ADDITION. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Parcel No. 14-28.0-126-041; and for other relief.

UNLESS Unknown Heirs and Legatees of L. Reginald Jackson, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before January 10, 2022, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.

/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court  
James K. Zerkle, Corporation Counsel  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff, vs.

ELEANOR NAILING, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No. 21-MR-1561

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Eleanor Nailing, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 30, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 1723 E. Carpenter Street, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:

Lot 5 in Block 18 in the Springfield Savings Bank Addition. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-26.0-306-016);

and for other relief.

UNLESS Eleanor Nailing, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before January 10, 2022, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.

/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court  
James K. Zerkle  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff, vs.

ANGELA M. CASSIDAY AS HEIR AT LAW AND LEGATEE OF MICHAEL L. CASSIDAY, ANGELA M. CASSIDAY AS EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL L. CASSIDAY, DAVID CASSIDAY AS HEIR AT LAW AND LEGATEE OF MICHAEL L. CASSIDAY, SECURITY BANK, S.B., UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF MICHAEL L. CASSIDAY, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No. 21-MR-1562

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Angela M. Cassidy as Heir at Law and Legatee of Michael L. Cassidy, Angela M. Cassidy as Executor of the Estate of Michael L. Cassidy, David Cassidy as Heir at Law and Legatee of Michael L. Cassidy, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Michael L. Cassidy, Unknown Owners and

Non-Record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 30, 2021 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 3337 S. Park Ave., Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:

Lot 13 in Pinebrook Subdivision, a part of Lot 88 Pierrick Place. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. (Permanent Parcel No. 22-08.0-451-031);

and for other relief.

UNLESS Angela M. Cassidy as Heir at Law and Legatee of Michael L. Cassidy, Angela M. Cassidy as Executor of the Estate of Michael L. Cassidy, David Cassidy as Heir at Law and Legatee of Michael L. Cassidy, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Michael L. Cassidy, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before January 10, 2022, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT.

/s/ Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Court  
James K. Zerkle  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
SHERYL PUNKE, Plaintiff vs.

KRISTA D. JONES

Defendant

Case No. 2021ILM000618

Filed November 15, 2021  
ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

This matter before the Court on Plaintiff Sheryl Punke's MOTION FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION, the Court having reviewed the Motion and find the relief requested appropriate, hereby FINDS as follows:

1. Service via Summons and Alias Summons has been unsuccessful.  
2. Service by Publication pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-206 is appropriate in this matter.

3. Upon due inquiry the Defendant cannot be found, and service of process cannot be had upon her. WHEREFORE, this Court hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Plaintiff's Motion for Service by Publication is granted.  
2. Service by Publication pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-206 is hereby granted.  
3. The Clerk of the Court shall publish notice of these proceedings pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-206.

Entered this 15th day of November 2021.

Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
Rudolph M. Braud  
Honorable Judge  
Prepared by James M. Kelly (ARDC# 6238519)  
Boyd O. Roberts (ARDC# 6243747)  
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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
Larry F. Reynolds, Petitioner  
vs.  
Justin H. Reynolds, Respondent  
Case No: 2021-OP-1828  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Justin H. Reynolds, 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 January 6, 2022, a  
judgment or decree by default may be  
taken against you for the relief asked in  
the complaint.  
Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of the Court  
Date: Dec. 9, 2021

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
Nancy Maurer, Petitioner  
vs.  
Jennifer Garecht, Respondent  
Case No: 2021-OP-1832  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Jennifer Garecht, 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 January 6, 2022, a  
judgment or decree by default may be  
taken against you for the relief asked in  
the complaint.  
Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of the Court  
Date: Dec. 2, 2021

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
Skyla Beavers, Petitioner  
vs.  
Jennifer Garecht, Respondent  
Case No: 2021-OP-1957  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Jennifer Garecht, 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 January 6, 2022, a  
judgment or decree by default may be  
taken against you for the relief asked in  
the complaint.  
Paul Palazzolo  
Clerk of the Court  
Date: Dec. 2, 2021

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD,  
ILLINOIS  
CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES,  
LLC,  
PLAINTIFF  
VS. Case No: 2021CH000116  
RAVEN M. SMITHERS, BARCLAYS BANK  
DELAWARE, SECRETARY OF HOUSING  
AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, CAPITAL

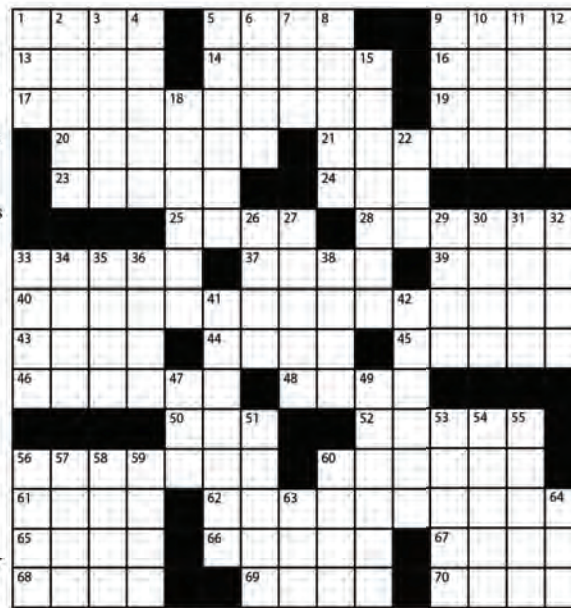
ONE BANK (USA), N.A.; UNKNOWN  
OWNERS GENERALLY, AND NON-RECORD  
CLAIMANTS.  
DEFENDANTS Property Address:  
2040 North 21st Street  
Springfield, IL 62702  
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION  
The requisite affidavit for publication  
having been filed, notice is hereby given to:  
Barclays Bank Delaware, Capital  
One Bank (USA), N.A. and Unknown  
Owners, and Non Record Claimants,  
Defendants in the above-entitled action,  
that a Complaint for Foreclosure and  
Other Relief has been commenced in  
the Circuit Court of Sangamon County,  
by said Plaintiff against you and other  
defendants, praying for the foreclosure  
of certain mortgages conveying the  
premises legally described as follows:  
THE SOUTH 14 FEET OF LOT 18 AND THE  
NORTH 29 FEET OF LOT 19 IN FRED W.  
WANLESS' EASTWOOD ADDITION TO THE  
CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ACCORDING TO  
THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK  
14 OF PLATS, PAGE 20 IN THE OFFICE  
OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS OF SAN-  
GAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, SITUATED IN  
THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS.  
EXCEPT ALL COAL AND OTHER MINER-  
ALS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OF  
RECORD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON  
COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
P.I.N.: 14-23.0-129-022  
COMMON ADDRESS: 2040 North 21st  
Street, Springfield, IL 62702  
And which mortgages were made by  
Raven M. Smithers, as Mortgagor(s);  
and given to Mortgage Electronic  
Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee  
for Taylor, Bean & Whitaker Mortgage  
Corp. as Mortgagee; to wit: that certain  
"Mortgage" dated (a) 12/10/2008, and  
recorded as Document No.2008R46463,  
that Summons was duly issued out of  
said court against you as provided  
by law, and that the said Complaint is  
now pending for foreclosure of said  
mortgages and for other relief.  
Now, therefore, unless you Barclays  
Bank Delaware, Capital One Bank (USA),  
N.A. and Unknown Owners, and Non  
Record Claimants, file your Appearance  
and Answer to the Complaint in said  
action in the office of the Clerk of the  
Circuit Court of Sangamon County,  
Chancery Division, on or before the 10th  
day of January, 2022, default may be  
entered against you at any time after  
that day and a judgment entered in  
accordance with the prayer for relief in  
said Complaint.  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
Kluever Law Group, LLC  
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Chicago, IL 60606  
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courtresults@klueverlawgroup.com  
Atty. No. 6275308  
CMS000005-21FC3  
8051-919745

## Eastwood classic

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### Across

1. New corp. hires
5. Have the \_\_\_ for
9. "By yesterday!"
13. Island of Napoleon's exile
14. Cupid's projectile
16. Cotton deseeders
17. Sufficient
19. Tolkien tree-men
20. Runs through a mill
21. Prepares
23. Great buy
24. Age abbr.
25. Heineken, e.g.
28. Item on a list
33. "Let's Make \_\_\_"
37. "Groovy!"
39. Side squared, for a square
40. Where you might not want to walk alone
43. 1963 role for Liz
44. Boris Godunov, for one
45. Route from Me. to Fl.
46. Has a hunch
48. Stinging remark
50. V.J.'s employer
52. Moran and Brockovich
56. Elegant dancer Fred
60. Rear
61. Washer cycle
62. Melees
65. "\_\_\_ Rock" (Simon & Garfunkel hit)



66. Words on Alice's snack
67. Locked (up)
68. Bit of choreography
69. Nine-digit IDs
70. 2004 Brad Pitt film
8. Damp
9. Long, long time
10. Breaks a commandment
11. Some chips, maybe
12. "Hey you!"
15. Cabbie's question
18. Empower
22. Dungeons & Dragons game co.
26. Some MIT grads
27. Kind of center
29. Fan sounds
30. Suffix with buck
31. Element #10
32. Miami-\_\_\_ County
33. Basics
34. Chip's cartoon chum
35. Biblical plot
36. Years, in Lisbon
38. Magician's opening
41. "No kidding!"
42. Protocol
47. Brit. record label
49. Piece maker
51. Gamblers' mecca
53. Bumbling
54. Montana, e.g., once
55. "\_\_\_ evil ..."
56. "No returns"
57. Clash
58. Proctor's call
59. Take \_\_\_ (snooze)
60. Song of praise
63. Capt.'s inferiors
64. Hog's home

## JoshJosh

by J. Reynolds - No. 717

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.

11+		180x		2+	
6				2÷	1-
3+	11+	6x			
			12+	3-	
10+	4			2-	
		3-		3÷	

Difficulty mhard

## Sudoku No. 717

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

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

Difficulty medium

## Puzzle answers from this week will appear here next week

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

Crossword answers from #716

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

Sudoku answers from #716

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

JoshJosh answers from #716





# Winter Camp

December 23 - January 7th  
7:30 am - 5:30 pm  
at Erin's Pavilion.

Your child will enjoy different arts and crafts projects, recreational activities, field trips, and more.

Please bring a cold sack lunch with a drink each day  
(Please no candy or soda).

There will be no camp on Christmas and New Years.  
Open New Years eve and Christmas eve from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm.

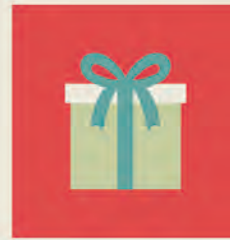
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For more information:  
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\*Public guidelines related to COVID-19 will be strictly enforced



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Come Have a Once in a Lifetime Experience with Santa!  
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Friday: 5:00-8:00pm  
Saturday: 12:00-6:00pm  
Sunday: 12:00-6:00pm

**\$15** for one child and one adult

Register at [bit.ly/SPD\\_Santa-Funshop](http://bit.ly/SPD_Santa-Funshop)  
Activity #360701



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