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Two health insurers leave Illinois market

Fewer insurance providers, tax credits raise concern around higher premiums

INSURANCE | Dilpreet Raju

Only two health insurance companies are slated to offer marketplace health plans in central Illinois next year, halving the amount of insurance issuers the region currently has as Aetna and Health Alliance announced they will be exiting the insurance marketplace in 2026. In addition, health policy nonprofit KFF estimates the average cost of monthly premiums for central Illinoisans will increase by at least 65% as a result of federal tax credits expiring.

All the while, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois – the only company that covers the entire state – is proposing to raise rates at the highest clip of any health insurer in Illinois.

Health Alliance, which is based in Urbana and issues the second-largest share of all health insurance plans in Springfield, stated it would be discontinuing group health insurance plans next year as it “struggled to achieve operational and financial efficiency” amid rising costs of health care, marking the end of an Illinois insurer that has been in business for nearly 35 years.

Aetna already exited the marketplace once before in 2017, a few years before CVS Health’s \$69 billion purchase of the insurer was finalized. The American Medical Association continuously protested the merger, alleging it would violate federal antitrust law and “likely harm patients.”

The National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals, or NABIP, noted in a May press release this is now “the second time in a decade” Aetna has exited the insurance marketplace “and will leave nearly 1 million enrollees seeking new health insurance



options” across the country. Although NABIP acknowledged the decision was a part of “broader market headwinds,” the trade organization “warns of the cascading impact this move could have on health care access.”

Tax credits introduced with the Affordable Care Act, which were then expanded and extended by the Biden administration in 2021, are set to expire at the end of 2025. Such credits have been recognized as making marketplace health insurance reasonably affordable for more than 90% of recipients, according to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. Cuts to Medicaid could result in fewer options for care – regardless of a patient’s insurance status – as health care providers that rely on Medicaid reimbursement could cut staff, decrease service

hours or even close clinics.

Brokers from the Illinois chapter of the National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals, or NABIP-IL, told *Illinois Times* that almost 100,000 people would be affected by Aetna’s and Health Alliance’s exit. They also warned of how people on marketplace insurance plans should expect to pay substantially more for health care next year.

“Everybody is going to see a decrease in their tax credits, drastically,” said Melissa Shepherd, a licensed broker who was recently appointed to an advisory committee for the upcoming state-based marketplace. “Compound that with the fact that carriers are asking for large (rate) increases this year.”

The lack of tax credits means insurance enrollees may feel the brunt of rate hikes for the first time in years. Last year, the average monthly premium that marketplace enrollees in Sangamon County were charged was near \$850 before tax credits brought the average down below \$200.

Health insurance companies filed their initial rates for 2026 with the Department of Insurance last month; half of all submitted insurance plans increase the average premium rate by double digits, including a nearly 30% average increase for Blue Cross plans. Blue Cross also submitted the highest rate increases for next year’s individual and small group plans, though all companies proposed decreasing rates for their lowest-level plans on the individual marketplace.

Rates are finalized after the Department of Insurance reviews filings submitted by insurers.

Keeping in line with the national average, about 90% of central Illinoisans on marketplace insurance plans have government subsidies to help them out, according to KFF, the nonprofit formerly known as Kaiser Family Foundation.

Shepherd said the tax credits are likely expiring due to “bad actor” insurance agents who, with access to enrollee personal information, switched people over into zero-premium plans, even if they shouldn’t have qualified based on their income level.

Sherri Stewart, a licensed broker at American Central Insurance in Springfield, said Illinois had few zero-premium plans due to state mandates requiring more coverage from health insurers.

“That was an unintended consequence

of the tax credits being expanded,” Stewart said. “It did happen in other states; it was very rampant.” The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services finalized rules last month that aimed to limit federal spending and increase a variety of eligibility checks.

Sara Walker-Hite, a licensed broker and president of NABIP-IL, said while it was not something that happened in Illinois, “we all certainly pay the price.”

Aetna and Health Alliance’s exit may open the market for Blue Cross Blue Shield’s Health Care Service Corporation, which already issues more than half of all health insurance plans in Springfield, according to the American Medical Association, and insures more than 500,000 Illinoisans.

Blue Cross and Springfield Clinic, a provider that claims to serve almost one million patients across nearly 100 locations in central Illinois, had a public standoff during contract negotiations in 2021 that resulted in the insurer removing Springfield Clinic from in-network coverage for almost two years. The two for-profit companies eventually struck a five-year deal that categorized Springfield Clinic as an in-network provider through 2028.

This spring, Springfield Clinic laid off almost 70 employees while citing nationwide economic concerns and “insurance reimbursement constraints,” according to an internal memo obtained by *IT*. □

Dilpreet Raju is a staff writer for Illinois Times and Report for America corps member.

Editor's note

It was a step toward world peace when China visited Springfield July 25. The occasion was China’s gratitude for Minnie Vautrin of the tiny town of Secor, north of Bloomington, who was a teacher in Nanjing, China, when the Japanese captured the city in 1937 and massacred thousands. In her school, Vautrin sheltered many women and children, saving them from death. On this year’s 80th anniversary of the end of World War II, the Chinese Consulate General in Chicago bought lunch at the Illini Country Club for a group assembled by the Illinois State Historical Society. In his speech, Consul General Wang Baodong addressed issues facing today’s world. “The tragedies of history must never be repeated, and the value of peace must be firmly upheld,” he said. While the U.S. is withdrawing from international development, he emphasized China’s global development initiatives. “China resolutely opposes all forms of unilateralism, protectionism and hegemonic bullying,” he said, while expressing hope for success in current U.S.-China trade talks. “There is no winner in tariff wars or trade wars.” Negotiating with the current U.S. administration has been “difficult,” but peace can be achieved by “resolving confrontation through cooperation and replacing zero-sum competition with win-win outcomes.” From China to Springfield last week, an adult entered the room. — Fletcher Farrar, editor

Get Covered Illinois, the state’s health insurance marketplace, has a frequently asked questions webpage about changes to next year’s marketplace. In addition to the department sending out more information in October, Get Covered Illinois plans to have call center representatives available “to help people choose a comparable plan.”

Although open enrollment doesn’t begin until November, Illinois has a network of navigators that can provide free, in-person assistance any time of the year. Springfield has two such navigators: Springfield Urban League and Central Counties Health Centers. Visit getcovered.illinois.gov to schedule an appointment.

Grayson's attorneys drop cease-and-desist request

Previously accused Massey Commission of "meddling in the impartial jury pool of Peoria County"

COURTS | Dean Olsen

The citizen commission working on racial justice and reconciliation in the wake of the 2024 death of Sonya Massey won't be restricted in its activities by the judge presiding in the murder case against Massey's alleged killer.

That's because Mark Wykoff, one of the attorneys for former Sangamon County sheriff's deputy Sean Grayson, accused of murdering Massey in her home a year ago, withdrew a request to force the Massey Commission to "cease and desist" its activities in Peoria County.

The withdrawal took place at a hearing July 25 in front of Sangamon County Circuit Court Judge Ryan Cadagin.

Grayson, 31, of Riverton, is charged with first-degree murder in the July 6, 2024, killing of Sonya Massey, 36, in unincorporated Woodside Township. Grayson has pleaded not guilty and is scheduled to go on trial Oct. 20.

The trial was moved from Springfield to Peoria at the request of Grayson's attorneys because of pretrial publicity.

Jurors in the trial will be Peoria County residents, though the case will be prosecuted by the Sangamon County State's Attorney's Office, Grayson will continue to be represented by Springfield lawyers Wykoff and Dan Fultz, and Cadagin will continue to preside as judge.

Wykoff asked for the cease-and-desist order in a July 23 filing that alleged the commission, funded with about \$250,000 from Sangamon County government, was "meddling in the impartial jury pool of Peoria County."

Wykoff pointed to an advertised "Sonya Massey Town Hall" on June 12 in Peoria that was covered by the news media there. A flyer produced by the nonprofit group Change Peoria said the event was hosted by Change Peoria and the Massey Commission.

Wykoff and Fultz said in court documents that they would be forced to seek another change of venue "that has not been jaundiced by the affirmative actions of the commission" if the court didn't intervene.

However, the commission said in a news release July 24 that it didn't vote to sponsor or endorse the event, and the flyer and other promotional materials weren't approved or reviewed by the commission.



Sontae Massey, a cousin of the late Sonya Massey, speaks with the news media July 25 after a Sangamon County Circuit Court hearing in the murder case against former Sangamon County sheriff's deputy Sean Grayson. At Massey's side is Teresa Haley, a friend of the Massey family

The release said the commission "fully endorses the idea of educating our community and remains true to the values of transparency, accountability, community and unity."

Springfield resident Sontae Massey, 54, a cousin of Sonya Massey, said he spoke at the event in Peoria as a Massey family member but not on behalf of the commission. Sontae Massey is a former member of the commission and now is a paid member of the commission's staff.

Cadagin allowed Wykoff to withdraw the cease-and-desist request and granted Wykoff's request to throw out a related filing by commission member Calvin T. Christian III in opposition to the proposed cease-and-desist order. Fellow commission members Sunshine Clemons, Susan Phillips, Breonna Roberts and Robert Wesley joined Christian in the filing.

Cadagin said Wykoff's withdrawal rendered Christian's filing moot.

When asked why he withdrew the original request, Wykoff told *Illinois Times*, "Sometimes matters resolve themselves before the need to seek court intervention."

Cadagin scheduled a Sept. 12 hearing to consider other pretrial motions from Grayson's attorneys, including one to admit evidence at the trial about Sonya Massey's mental state.

Authorities have said Massey was dealing with mental illness, and Grayson's lawyers contended that Massey's "propensity for violence" will be part of their argument that Grayson acted in self-defense when he fired shots at Massey, including one to the head that produced a fatal injury, after Massey called 911 to summon police to her home when she feared a prowler in the neighborhood.

Grayson's lawyers noted in documents that earlier in the same day of the shooting, Massey is "alleged to have battered/assaulted a neighbor with a brick," and she "had been in a dispute the day prior in reference to a car window being broke." Massey was never charged in connection with those alleged incidents.

In a nationally publicized case with racial overtones, Grayson, who is white, told police he feared for his life and shot Massey, a Black single mother of two teenagers, when he thought Massey was about to throw a pot of heated water in his direction.

Prosecutors have said police-worn body camera video of the incident makes it clear that Grayson overreacted and showed "disregard for human life."

Grayson, who previously had been held at the Macon County Jail in Decatur, was transferred to the Sangamon County Jail on July 23. The transfer, according to a statement from Sangamon County Sheriff Paula Crouch, was necessary "to accommodate ongoing medical procedures and follow-up appointments that, due to operational needs of the Sheriff's Office, require him to be housed in Springfield."

Crouch said Grayson, who according to Fultz was diagnosed with Stage 3 colon cancer in October 2023, "will be housed in a secure unit" within the Sangamon jail and is expected to remain at the jail until his trial.

Sontae Massey said the Massey family is looking forward to justice being served through Grayson's trial. And Massey said the family hopes there will be cameras in the courtroom in Peoria to help inform the public with video and photographs and make sure the legal system is held accountable.

Cadagin so far has turned down all requests from the media to allow cameras in the courtroom for hearings leading up to the trial. The judge hasn't given any explanation for his position and hasn't indicated whether his position will change.

Sontae Massey said the trial needs nationwide exposure.

"We want to make sure that justice is served, and when there are not spotlights on, there is a tendency of not receiving justice," he said. "So we definitely want cameras in the courtroom." □

Police and public action plan

City unveils action plan after months of meetings with community stakeholders

CITY | Dean Olsen

Springfield officials pledged to work harder to diversify the police department, inform the public about existing channels for holding law-enforcement officers accountable and “promote transparency for the community.”

Those were among steps outlined in an “action plan” released by members of Mayor Misty Buscher’s administration, local nonprofits and religious leaders after more than 20 private meetings to improve relations between the public and the police since the July 2024 killing of Sonya Massey.

About 60 people attended a July 28 evening open house at Southeast High School when the plan was released by Springfield Police Department representatives and other members of Springfield Community Partners - United for Change.

In addition to the police department, the mayor and members of her cabinet, partners included the NAACP’s Springfield branch, Springfield School District 186, Springfield Urban League, Ministerial Alliance of Springfield and Vicinity, Faith Coalition for the Common Good, Black Lives Matter Springfield and the Sangamon County State’s Attorney’s Office.

The killing of Massey, involving a Black woman with mental-health issues who was shot to death by a white Sangamon County sheriff’s deputy in a confrontation captured on police-worn body camera footage, attracted international media attention and increased tensions between police and the public in Springfield.

Springfield Community Partners said in a document handed out at the open house that it formed “to ensure a structured and sustainable response.” The document is available on the Springfield Police Department’s website (<https://tinyurl.com/SPDActionPlan>).

“The group’s mission is to categorize community concerns, collaborate on viable solutions and implement policies and practices that will enhance police-community relations in Springfield,” the document said.

Plans by SPD and city officials call for them to:

- Expand partnerships with “key stakeholders” to host future community recruitment events for SPD jobs.
- Increase public awareness on how to file



Ward 2 Ald. Shawn Gregory, left, speaks with Springfield Police Department Assistant Chief Ryan Leach on July 28 during an open house held by Springfield Community Partners - United For Change at Southeast High School. PHOTO BY DEAN OLSEN.

and follow up on complaints about police conduct and distribute a new information flyer about the mayor-appointed Springfield Police Community Review Commission. That flyer is available online at <https://tinyurl.com/SpringfieldPCRC>. The commission can make nonbinding recommendations to the police chief. The Springfield City Council soon will consider a suggested ordinance from the commission to extend the time period from 15 to 30 days for a citizen to activate the commission’s review process after the citizen receives results of an internal-affairs investigation.

- Expand training for police on de-escalation and the historical context of policing in Springfield.
- Expand the information available on the SPD transparency website regarding crime data, complaint reports, news releases and department updates.
- Expand and increase awareness of the SPD peer-support network to encourage police to seek mental-health support.

Springfield Community Partners’ meetings grew out of a public listening session attended by more than 500 people and held at Union Baptist Church just weeks after Massey’s death. The follow-up meetings were private, and most were held with a representative of the U.S. Department

of Justice’s Community Relations Service, Buscher said.

Ward 2 Ald. Shawn Gregory took issue with the process to produce the plan, saying that he and the two other members of the Springfield Black Aldermanic Caucus – Ward 3 Ald. Roy Williams Jr. and Ward 5 Ald. Lakeisha Purchase – weren’t informed about the closed-door meetings or consulted.

The three alderpersons should have been included, Gregory said, because they often are the first to receive complaints from their constituents about police, and they help hold the Buscher administration accountable.

Even though there can be improvements within SPD, Gregory said, “We have one of the better police departments in the state.” He faulted the Buscher administration, rather than police department officials, for the lack of transparency.

“They don’t want to be hearing my mouth,” he said.

Gregory, who attended the open house, said afterward that he hadn’t had a chance to study all the recommendations, but some appeared vague. Regardless, Gregory said he is willing to work with Springfield Community Partners in the future.

When asked by *Illinois Times* to respond to Gregory’s comments, Buscher and Police Chief Joseph Behl said in a joint statement, “This process was never about any one individual; aside from honoring the memory of Sonya Massey, it was about addressing the relationship between the community and policing in the wake of a tragic incident. That tragedy called for healing, accountability and meaningful dialogue.”

The statement added, in part, “Elected officials were not included in this particular structure, not because their voices aren’t valued, but because the (Department of Justice Community Relations Service) model intentionally centers direct community-law enforcement dialogue, separate from political leadership.

“That said, moving forward, we are absolutely committed to ensuring that all voices, including those of our elected officials, are part of advancing this work. We would welcome the opportunity to sit down with the alderman and members of the Black Caucus to explore how we can deepen collaboration and ensure that the process we’ve made continues with shared purpose and unity.” □



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NEWS

Fighting for the right to try

Springfield parents in race against time to treat daughter's rare disease

MEDICINE | Scott Reeder

Lottie Milburn is a bright-eyed Springfield 4-year-old who brings joy wherever she goes.

"Lottie is hilarious. I feel like for somebody who really is not very verbal she communicates pretty well. She is really, truly, the sweetest little soul you've ever met," her mother, Abby, told *Illinois Times*.

But in April, Abby and her husband, Steven, received the most devastating news any parent can hear. Their daughter has a rare, fatal disease. Only between 4,000 and 5,000 cases are known worldwide.

Lottie was diagnosed with Sanfilippo Syndrome, a genetic disease that affects the brain and spinal cord. It is caused by a problem with how the body breaks down certain large sugar molecules. In children with this condition, these sugar molecules build up in the body and eventually lead to damage of the central nervous system.

Symptoms of the disease rarely manifest themselves at birth. But as a child grows, they may begin having trouble learning and lose previously learned skills. As the disease progresses, children often develop seizures and movement disorders. Most children with Sanfilippo Syndrome die in adolescence or early adulthood.

In addition to Sanfilippo, Lottie was born with an unrelated condition: Down syndrome.

Abby was a teacher before becoming a stay-at-home mom for Lottie and her three siblings. Steven is a lawyer for the state of Illinois.

"We both grew up Catholic," Abby said. "With everything going on, my husband has probably been better about reminding me that all of this just has to be in God's plan – even if we don't like it. It is hard."

"I think we trusted that from the beginning when we learned that Lottie would be born with Down syndrome. I know this sounds crazy, but I always had a feeling I would have a child with a disability, whether that was naturally or we adopted," she said.

One of the hardest things the family has encountered is the federal bureaucracy that reviews whether medications should be approved for use within the U.S.

A promising drug to treat Sanfilippo recently finished its clinical trials and was submitted for approval to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The treatment developed by Ultragenyx is a gene therapy that is administered intravenously.

"It did very well in clinical trials," Abby said. "There were 30 children (participating in the study). Everyone did well. They were

said. "Being overly cautious comes at a cost. ... Some individuals are going to lose, and oftentimes it's terminally ill patients who end up paying the ultimate cost."

To work around the bureaucratic inertia, 41 states and Congress passed the original "Right to Try" law, which allows patients with terminal illnesses, in some instances, to access investigational treatments that have not yet received the FDA's approval.

Norman said the foremost authority on these laws is Naomi Lopez, who ironically lives in Springfield and only about a block from the Milburns' home.

In 2017, Lopez testified before Congress in favor of the "Right to Try" legislation that was signed into federal law in 2018 by President Donald Trump.

Lopez has lobbied 30 state legislatures and has been working with the Goldwater Institute on the newer Right to Try for Individualized Treatments laws, which offer a new pathway for rare patients to access bespoke treatments. That law has now passed in 16 states and will eventually be introduced in Congress.

Lopez and the Milburns do not know each other but said they are eager to meet.

Under the federal Right to Try law, "The child's physician would have to be recommending the treatment, and the manufacturer would have to agree to be providing the treatment," Lopez said. "If everyone is onboard and the treatment has passed the basic safety trial, they actually don't have to get the FDA's permission to proceed with treatment."

Sometimes gene therapies call for making a custom medication for just one patient, Lopez said. This can be done more easily in states that have the Right to Try for Individualized Treatments laws on the books. Illinois is not one of them. But neighboring Iowa and Indiana are, she said.

The Milburns are investigating options and are considering reaching out to members of Congress. They have expressed frustration with the FDA.

"Sometimes it can take upwards of a decade to get a drug from start to finish through approval," Norman said. "The FDA is risk averse. It doesn't really take into account the urgency faced by individual patients. ... The FDA, generally speaking, is a slow-moving behemoth that is not responsive to the needs of individual patients who are suffering with their terminal illnesses or life-threatening illnesses on a day-to-day basis." □



Lottie Milburn is a 4-year-old in Springfield who has been diagnosed with a rare, life-threatening disease. Her parents hope to treat her with a promising gene therapy, but it hasn't been approved by the FDA.

PHOTO COURTESY MILBURN FAMILY

able to prove... that either the regression slowed significantly or stopped. Children were regaining skills back that they had lost before the treatment. Some children who had stopped being able to feed themselves well were able to start independently feeding again. Cognitively, they noticed some speech and communication skills returning."

Although it is experimental, this is the first treatment developed for Sanfilippo. But the FDA has yet to approve the medication, which leaves children like Lottie with few good options.

"We were just very hopeful that this would be something to help prolong Lottie's life," Abby said. "And not just prolong it, but do it in a meaningful way."

This is a common predicament, said Brian Norman, director of state affairs for the Phoenix-based Goldwater Institute, a libertarian organization that lobbies for streamlining the approval of medications.

The FDA has prided itself in protecting the public from medications that could have had harmful consequences. For example, in the 1950s and 1960s European regulators approved the sedative thalidomide, while the FDA did not. Ultimately, thousands of European children whose mothers took the medication during their pregnancies were born with missing limbs but American children were spared this tragedy.

But Norman said the FDA's cautious approach has a downside.

"They never bring up the invisible graveyard of individuals who are not able to access promising investigational treatments because of their slow-moving nature," he

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TURN OVER STADIUM

I find it disappointing to the point of exasperation that the ownership of the Lucky Horseshoes has to resort to begging the community to pressure the Springfield Park District to live up to an agreement they signed decades ago when they assumed control of the ballpark (and associated property tax revenue) from the city's former parks and recreation department ("Baseball stadium may get new owner," July 24). This ownership group is doing all they can to provide family-friendly, enjoyable entertainment in a historic space that could be a jewel for the community rather than a source of seeming irritation for the Park District.

I speak as a fan and as a host family that has taken in 11 players while they're here playing for the team for the last eight seasons, and I can see the difference this new ownership group is making. They have quickly developed a league-wide reputation for taking care of the players as well as the visiting teams, pushing the envelope on energy and excitement at

Bad night

My dad, a camper at Phantom Lake Y Camp, went on a "night-hike" with his tent mates. "We stood in a line," said Dad. "Holding onto a rope in one hand and a blanket in the other. Our counselor led us for miles, to some field or other, told us to spread out our blankets and go to sleep. Maybe we sang a bit, ate a bit. That night, I squirmed and turned – seems I had put my blanket on a pile of rocks! In the morning I found I had laid my blanket on a pile of dried horse droppings. It was the worst night I ever had!"

2025 Jacqueline Jackson



Jamie Toole and Melissa Gaynor are managers and partial owners of the Lucky Horseshoes. The couple says Robin Roberts Stadium, where the Horseshoes play, is in desperate need of upgrades if it is to succeed as a sporting and entertainment venue. *PHOTO BY 1221 PHOTOGRAPHY*

the games, emphasizing local products in the concessions and bringing in nationally known players and celebrities for special events. They spent several hundred thousand dollars to put in a state-of-the-art scoreboard, and they've done all that they can to put a brighter face on a canvas that is clearly lacking.

Jamie Toole and the ownership team see the potential of the historic Robin Roberts Stadium and are ready to invest substantially in the facility if the Park District will just get out of the way. For an organization whose recent planning documents clearly state they do not want to be in the ballpark business, they sure seem to be doing all they can to stand in the way of moving on from it. The Park District is making it clear that getting the ballpark out of their hands has to happen or it won't be long before another baseball team leaves and it looks just like Chamberlain – only right along a brand-new road and overpass and right next to the new Lanphier High School football stadium.

What the 'Shoes have done in a few short years is impressive, and the plans for the future are even more so. Hopefully we as a community can reap the benefits of their gift of energy and their appreciation for the ballpark and baseball in the Springfield area.

*Steve Schoeffel
Springfield*

GO WEST

The city should invest in a state-of-the-art baseball stadium near Scheels and possibly draw in a minor league team.

*Dave Hood
Via Facebook.com/illinoistimes*

SHOW ME THE MONEY

Does this mean Springfield Park District taxpayers won't have to pay \$500,000 annually to maintain Robin Roberts Stadium? How about rebating that money back to them?

*Evan Mahan
Via Facebook.com/illinoistimes*

SOLAR WORKS FOR SOME

I would never say solar is for everyone ("Illinois bet on solar to meet its climate goals. Trump has the industry in his crosshairs," July 17). It is expensive and can be a frustrating six months of your life, depending on the carrier you are dealing with. Everyone has to look at their own return on investment and determine if solar is right for them. Ultimately, we paid almost \$65,000 and over the next seven to eight years we will be above the break-even point, hopefully. We are not planning on moving, so even if it takes a little longer it's no skin off our backs. My electric bill went from \$650 a month minimum with CWLP to now \$80 maximum for electric, water/sewer and recycling fees.

With the cost of oil and gas currently being so low, you're going to see U.S.-based operations grind to a stop. Companies aren't going to drill and lose money.

*Mike Shipman
Via Facebook.com/Illinoistimes*

IT'S A SHAM

Six months after the Inflation Reduction Act was signed into law, inflation was 9%. All these climate change grifters you choose to quote are from the same cabal.

*Ted Harvatin
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Candidates vying for statewide offices

POLITICS | Rich Miller

According to the 2020 Census, Cook County is 40% white, 26% Latino, 22% Black and 8% Asian. Chicago is 21% of the state's population.

But the statewide ticket recently endorsed by the Cook County Democratic Party is overwhelmingly made up of white Chicagoans (JB Pritzker, Alexi Giannoulias, Mike Frerichs and Margaret Croke), with two Black Chicagoans (lieutenant governor candidate Christian Mitchell and Kwame Raoul) and no Latinos or Asian Americans.

Outgoing Latina Comptroller Susana Mendoza did not endorse a replacement, and it seems unlikely she would've endorsed the only Latina who tossed her hat into the ring, Sen. Karina Villa, D-West Chicago. Villa is unabashedly progressive, while Mendoza is a far more conservative Democrat.

Villa's progressive views may have cost her the party slating, which Rep. Margaret Croke, D-Chicago, obtained by a super-slim margin.

One contributing issue was Villa's co-sponsorship of a bill (SB2462) to repeal the state ban on investing pension funds into companies that are boycotting Israel. Perhaps to quell any speculation, Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle asked Villa during a party meeting if she had ever said that Israel didn't have the right to exist. Villa "adamantly denied it," said one top source.

Villa did not win the support of conservative-to-moderate Latino committeepersons like Alds. Gil Villegas, Ray Lopez and Silvana Tabares.

Some Black committeepersons, except for state Senators, also went with Rep. Croke partly because they wanted to move away from progressive politics (quite a few were with Paul Vallas in the last mayoral election, you may recall). Others were with her because she's a House colleague. Others obviously thought she had the best chance to win and could help them raise funds.

The bottom line, though, is that the worst-kept secret of the past several months is that Croke would run for comptroller if the incumbent Mendoza decided to step aside in favor of a probable run for mayor. Croke therefore had a big head start over Villa and Lake County Treasurer Holly Kim.

Croke, an ally of Pritzker and a favorite of Pritzker's top staff, was able to line up powerful backers and gathered some expert advice. More importantly, though, she did the work, and as microscopically narrow as her victory was, a win is a win.

Unlike Croke, Villa and Clerk Kim kind

of came out of nowhere. And Villa reported a paltry \$12,000 in her campaign account at the end of June. Kim reported just \$44,000. That's not the sort of presentation you want to make to a bunch of folks who hardly knew you even existed until Friday. Croke had \$262,000 in the bank, but it's assumed she has access to much, much more.

Senate President Don Harmon pointed to the potential of an all-Chicago, white-dominated statewide ticket to argue for either his member Villa's slating or for an open primary. It didn't work. Mayor Brandon Johnson has severely damaged the local progressive brand, and Latino voters and their leaders aren't tied to identity politics if it conflicts with their own (or their constituents') ideologies. Not to mention that Villa lives in DuPage County and has no local base and didn't give herself time to make inroads.

No word at this writing on whether Villa or Kim will move ahead with campaigns. Also, Rep. Stephanie Kifowit, D-Oswego, has told some people she's interested in running for comptroller.

Meanwhile, the Cook County

Democrats' decision not to slate anyone for U.S. Senate was a big win for U.S. Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi. He has such a huge monetary advantage in this race (\$21 million cash on hand) that avoiding the threat of the party backing another candidate means he can continue flooding the ad zone without worrying about a coordinated effort to defeat him in the party's most influential county. Frankly, a slating might have made him look "too inevitable."

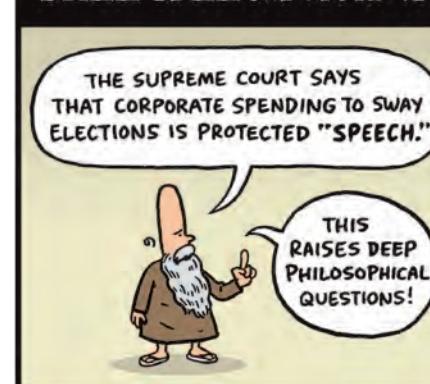
Was this a loss for Pritzker, who has endorsed Lt. Gov. Juliana Stratton? Yes, at least on the surface.

But I've had the impression from the beginning that, while Pritzker is definitely supporting her, Stratton has to go out and prove herself.

Her quarterly campaign contribution report didn't impress anyone, and that had to weigh against Stratton during slating.

Right now, all three candidates, including U.S. Rep. Robin Kelly, are running cautious, generic Democratic campaigns, with few differences between them. The person with the most money will always win that race. □

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Repeat offender

Friends and family say custody is where he belongs

CRIMINAL JUSTICE | Maggie Dougherty

Michael Gansbauer, 49, has spent fewer than four years out of prison since the age of 18. Convicted for first-degree murder 32 years ago in Springfield, he has spent only an eighth of his adult life out of jail or prison.

Victims' family members, prison reform advocates and childhood friends have agreed that his current home – in custody – is where Gansbauer belongs.

Crystal Page has been advocating for justice for her younger brother, 14-year-old Harold "H.P." Page III, since Gansbauer shot and killed him in 1993. This case gave Gansbauer his first conviction for a violent crime, but not his last.

In an upcoming trial in Springfield, Gansbauer will face charges for possession of a weapon by a felon and being an armed habitual criminal.

Illinois' armed habitual criminal statute is designed to penalize repeat felony offenders for unlawful possession of weapons. Conviction under this charge requires the state to prove the accused unlawfully possessed a firearm and has been convicted of two or more qualifying past felony offenses.

Gansbauer has at least two qualifying convictions, including unlawful possession of a weapon in 2016 and aggravated robbery in 2021. To avoid the new weapons charge, Gansbauer's lawyer will have to prove that Gansbauer did not receive, sell, possess or transfer a firearm.

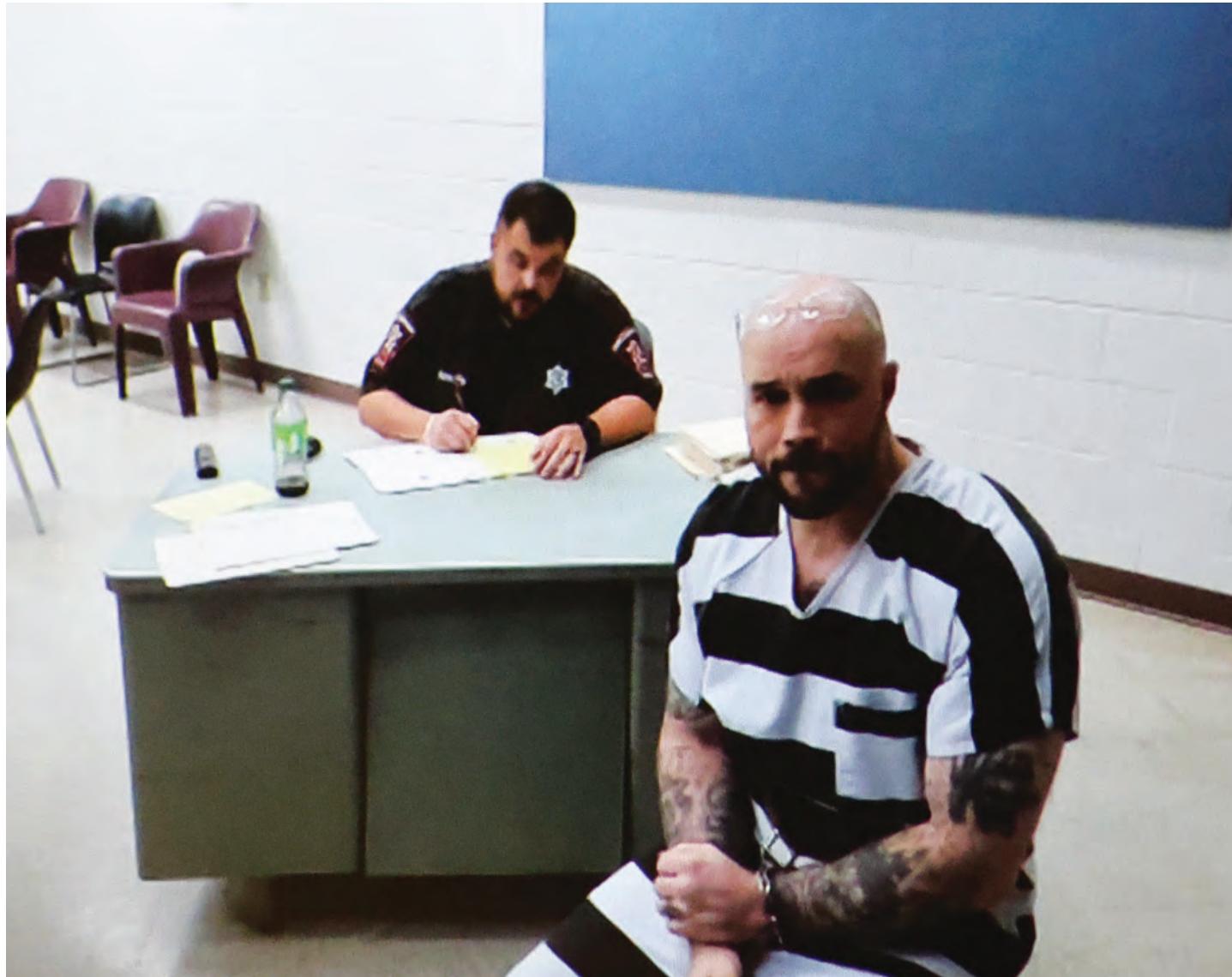
Those harmed by Gansbauer in past cases are hoping the state will finally take his record seriously, five criminal charges and three convictions later.

"He is dangerous, he can't even get off parole," Page said. "Enough is enough. Where is the state to protect us victims?"

In November 1993, then 17-year-old Gansbauer and 20-year-old John Rockwood had been drinking before they went to the Page house in Springfield. Rockwood's bike had gone missing, and they blamed the youngest Page for its disappearance.

With promises of beer, Gansbauer and Rockwood lured Page to a stairwell at Ridgely Elementary School on North Eighth Street, where they beat him. In his confession, Gansbauer described standing over Page, pushing the barrel of the gun against Page's head as the boy looked up at him from the floor. Gansbauer shot him twice in the head.

Gansbauer was convicted of first-degree



Michael Gansbauer appeared in court Monday, July 28, by camera from the Sangamon County Jail. It was a pretrial hearing at the Sangamon County Courthouse where Gansbauer faces charges for possession of a weapon by a felon and being an armed habitual criminal. PHOTO BY DILPREET RAJU

murder and sentenced to 40 years in prison. After serving 20 years at Jacksonville Correctional Center – half his sentence – he was released.

Such early release was possible because Gansbauer's 1994 conviction came prior to the 1998 passage of "truth-in-sentencing" legislation in Illinois. Before 1998, incarcerated people in Illinois could earn time off court-appointed sentences through good behavior and completion of prison courses. Now, people are required to strictly serve a

predetermined percentage of their sentence, depending on their conviction.

Prison reform advocates say that truth-in-sentencing has resulted in longer overall prison stays without deterring crime or reducing recidivism rates.

Yet, even opponents of tough-on-crime policies like truth-in-sentencing think that Gansbauer's pattern of recidivism calls for a stricter response.

Jodi Rabich Frailey of Pawnee runs RbrokenSystems, a prison reform advocacy

nonprofit that lobbies against the truth-in-sentencing legislation. She is also Page's sister-in-law.

Rabich Frailey's connection to reform efforts is rooted close to home. Her husband is currently serving a 55-year sentence for first-degree murder. Convicted in 2000 at the age of 22, under current laws her husband will not be released until he is 77 years old.

Gansbauer's behavior makes it harder for prison reform proponents to advocate for incarcerated people who want to grow and

GANSBAUER TIMELINE

1993

First-Degree Murder
Gansbauer, age 17, shot and killed 14-year-old Harold Page.

1994

Sentencing
Sentenced to 40 years for first-degree murder.

2014

Early release
Released after serving half of 40-year sentence.

2016

Cannabis charge
Charged in May with manufacture and distribution of cannabis.

2016

Weapon possession
Charged in September with possession of a weapon by a felon.

2018

Sentencing
Sentenced 10 years minus time served for cannabis and weapon charges.

2021

Aggravated robbery
Charged with aggravated robbery in June.

2022

Sentencing
Sentenced 6 years minus time served for aggravated robbery.

2024

Aggravated robbery
Charged with armed habitual criminal and weapon possession.

2025

Aggravated battery
Charged with battery of another incarcerated person in custody.

repay their debts to society, Rabich Frailey said. She said she has seen many incarcerated people work hard to complete educational and rehabilitation programs to prove they are worthy of a second chance.

"And there are some like Michael Gansbauer who should never, ever be let out," Rabich Frailey said. "If you can manipulate that system to that point and you get out and you still are threatening the life of someone, you are a threat to society and you need to be locked up forever and a day."

In a civil suit brought by the Page family, a judge ordered Gansbauer and Rockwood to each pay \$1 million in damages for the wrongful death of H.P. Now, Crystal Page says she has given up on hoping to see the full sum, but still hopes to see Gansbauer pay \$10,000 to cover the cost of burying her brother in 1993.

Acquaintances and court records identify Gansbauer as a member of a local street and prison gang, the Simon City Royals, although a recent court filing notes that Gansbauer "claims to be retired." In the past, the Springfield Police Department has said that there are no gangs in Springfield, only unorganized groups who like to call themselves gangbangers and copy the behavior and symbols of gangs from other cities.

Illinois Times spoke with a close childhood friend of Gansbauer's under the condition of anonymity, requested for fear of retribution by the Royals.



Crystal Page sits for an interview in her Springfield home in the weeks leading up to the next Gansbauer trial. PHOTO BY ZACH ADAMS.

Despite his fear, Gansbauer's friend spoke fondly of good times they spent together.

"This guy's a real-life killer, but he'll buy you a beer," the friend said.

He described Gansbauer as well-meaning and fun to be around but acknowledged that he could flip a switch to a darker side.

"If he wants something, he will take it," Gansbauer's friend said. "Some people are just not to be let out. He's a better version of himself when he's in

prison."

Gansbauer has not gone more than two years out of prison since 2014 without racking up new charges.

In 2016, less than two years after being released after serving time for the death of H.P., Gansbauer was facing another charge, this time for possession, manufacture and delivery of cannabis. Within four months of being released on bond for the cannabis charges, Gansbauer was again arrested by Springfield police on charges of home invasion, residential burglary, aggravated unlawful restraint, intimidation and unlawful possession of a weapon by a felon.

The *State Journal-Register* reported at the time that Gansbauer was accused of forcing his way into a home on St. Mary's Court in Springfield looking for someone who was not there. Upon encountering someone else inside, Gansbauer allegedly pointed his gun at the man when he failed to disclose the location of the person sought.

Gansbauer pleaded guilty in 2018 to one charge for the incident: unlawful possession of a weapon by a felon. The rest of the charges were dismissed by the plea deal. He was sentenced to three years of imprisonment for the weapons charge, the minimum possible sentence for the Class 2 felony.

At the same time, Gansbauer pleaded guilty to the manufacture and delivery of cannabis charge, earning him seven years, to be served consecutively with the weapons charge. Consecutive



Harold "H.P." Page III is pictured here holding a nephew, one week before Page was murdered in a stairwell at Ridgely Elementary School in November 1993. PHOTO COURTESY CRYSTAL PAGE.

sentences are designed to be served one after the other, meaning that Gansbauer's 2018 sentences totaled 10 years, minus almost two served while awaiting trial.

It is unclear how much of that sentence he served, but by mid-2021, he was back in custody.

Charges this time included armed robbery, aggravated robbery, vehicular invasion, aggravated intimidation and aggravated unlawful restraint.

The charges were associated with a June 2021 attack on Heather Jones at her then-boyfriend's home on Cincinnati Avenue in Springfield. Like Gansbauer, the boyfriend is alleged to be a member of the Simon City Royals.

According to Jones, she walked into an ambush at the house. She said she felt like a sitting duck. She heard rustling in the kitchen, but her boyfriend blamed it on the dog.

"It's Roscoe," he said.

It was not Roscoe, but rather a friend of Gansbauer's, and he had a gun. Jones said she ran to her car to try to get away, but her passenger-side window was broken and she could not roll it up. She threw her purse as a distraction, but before she could get away, Gansbauer allegedly opened her driver-side door and took her keys.

Jones said Gansbauer pulled her out of the car and began to hit her in the face. As she pleaded and reached from the ground toward her boyfriend, who had followed them outside, Jones said Gansbauer stomped on her arm and leg. Her boyfriend was able to position himself between Jones and Gansbauer. He saved her life, Jones said.

The three men then took Jones back inside the house. She said she could hear her boyfriend trying to convince Gansbauer not to kill her. She said she was able to push an air conditioner unit out of the wall and escape.

Jones further alleged to *IT* that Gansbauer chased her down the driveway, firing a handgun and threatening to shoot her in the



A childhood photo, now cherished, of Harold "H.P." Page and his sister, Crystal Page. PHOTO COURTESY CRYSTAL PAGE.



Michael Gansbauer, during one of his periods out of prison, with his motorcycle and a friend. PHOTO FROM FACEBOOK.

back as she ran.

Gansbauer's lawyer once again secured a plea deal, with Gansbauer pleading guilty to Class 1 felony aggravated robbery. The other charges were dropped. Sentencing options for aggravated robbery range from four to 15 years. In August 2022, Gansbauer was sentenced to serve six years, minus a little over a year spent in custody while awaiting trial, leaving him to serve just under five years.

He served less than two before being arrested in June 2024 for the weapons charges he is now facing.

A statement submitted by the Sangamon County Sheriff's Office as justification for Gansbauer's recent arrest states that, while conducting a parolee compliance check, officers found a silver Smith & Wesson

.38-caliber revolver in the apartment Gansbauer shares with his girlfriend.

Armed habitual criminal is a Class X felony, the most serious felony level under Illinois law. If convicted, Gansbauer faces a sentence of six to 30 years for that charge alone.

Survivors and victims' families want to see strict sentencing, both to prevent harm to future victims and out of fear for their own safety.

Crystal Page, the older sister of H.P., is the last living family member to fight for justice in her brother's 1993 murder. Both of their parents were diagnosed with cancer and died within three years of H.P., dying 11 days apart from each other in February of 1996. Page said they died of broken hearts.

Sometime before his 2021 charge, Page said Gansbauer walked into a Qik-n-EZ where she was working to use an ATM. To avoid him, she asked her manager to take over operating the register, but she thought he recognized her. Seeing him there caused her an anxiety attack, she said.

"I hope that glass is bulletproof," she recalled thinking. "I feel my brother and my mom above me."

She was not alone in fearing retribution. For Heather Jones, survivor of Gansbauer's 2021 aggravated robbery, it was a tangible concern.

Someone broke into her home after WICS ABC NewsChannel 20 ran a story about Gansbauer's 2021 charges, Jones said. She provided a photo to *Illinois Times* showing red paint dripped on her comforter and in a heart shape on a piece of paper. Jones interpreted it as imitating blood and assumed it was left by Gansbauer's friends.

Jones alleged that members of the Simon City Royals put a gun to her stepson's head after the attack. It was the final straw for her. She later moved out of Springfield

"They idolize him," Jones said of the Royals.

Both Page and Jones said they hope the judge in Gansbauer's upcoming case will take his past behavior into consideration.

"I would just like the judge to not take my life in vain and let something come of it," Jones said. "I'd beg the judge to not let him out."

Page echoed Jones, asking the state to prevent future victims and allow past survivors closure.

"You [the state] have the authority to protect us from the monster of Michael Gansbauer," Page said. "We need to heal, and Michael needs to be off the streets." □

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The solution for oversized zucchini

Try this recipe for zucchini focaccia

FOOD | Ashley Meyer

Anyone who has grown zucchini in a garden will inevitably end up with a few mammoth squash that seemingly appear out of nowhere, especially after a generous dose of summer rain. Too tough and fibery to sauté or grill, I'd grate the first jumbo zucchinis of the season to use in quick breads, but toward the end of summer most of them would end up getting tossed out to the chickens because honestly, how many zucchini muffins can a person reasonably eat?

Then one day I had the crazy idea to use puréed zucchini instead of water in a batch of focaccia. Although I'm loath to turn on my oven in summer, I routinely make batch after batch of chewy, pillow-y focaccia for grilled bruschetta and big-batch picnic sandwiches. If zucchini is 95 percent water, I wondered, could I get away with using it as the liquid component in bread? The answer turned out to be a resounding yes, and from that point on zucchini focaccia became my standard recipe year-round. In spite of my diligent efforts to harvest them when tender and small, I still end up with enough oversized zucchini to purée and freeze in recipe-ready portions to keep me baking bread until the following summer. The procedure is much the same as making a standard focaccia and the finished product has no discernible vegetable flavor or texture. While the raw dough is most definitely a vibrant shade of green, the color mostly bakes out with just little flecks of green remaining visible, reminiscent of savory herb bread.

Once the dough is made and in the pan, this bread becomes a further canvas for garden creativity. It can be kept simple with just a sprinkle of salt, or act as a base for a myriad of thinly sliced vegetables, grated cheese, herbs and berries or orchard fruit such as apples and pears. Raw vegetables such as zucchini (use small ones for topping), potatoes, peppers and onions should be sliced as thinly as possible and tossed with a teaspoon of salt and allowed to sit for at least 30 minutes (this can happen while the dough goes through its second rise) before being squeezed dry in a clean cloth in order to draw out excess moisture and prevent the bread from becoming soggy. Traditional, delicious topping combinations include grapes and fresh thyme, jalapeños and cheddar, zucchini and potato with herbs and cheese, bell peppers with onions and asiago, or pears with blue cheese and rosemary.

Zucchini focaccia

Ingredients:
1 jumbo zucchini



Puréed zucchini can be used as the liquid component in zucchini focaccia. PHOTO BY ASHLEY MEYER

1 teaspoon sugar
1 packet (2 1/4 teaspoons) active dry yeast
5 cups bread or all-purpose flour (or use a mixture of white and whole wheat)
1 tablespoon salt
6 tablespoons olive oil (divided)
1 tablespoon butter
Flaky sea salt for sprinkling
Toppings, if desired, such as thinly sliced vegetables, cheese, herbs, salami and/or fruit

If the zucchini is quite large with mature, hard seeds, scoop them out and discard. Chop the zucchini into large chunks and purée in a food processor. You can also grate the zucchini on the large holes of a box grater. Measure out 24 ounces of the zucchini puree and transfer to a mixing bowl. Any remaining purée can be frozen in zip-top freezer bags for future use.

Mix in the sugar and yeast and let rest for five minutes to proof the yeast (the mixture will become foamy, indicating a healthy, active ferment) and allow the sugar to draw the water out of the zucchini. Add the flour and salt. Mix with a rubber spatula to create a loose,

shaggy dough with no remaining streaks of flour. Pour four tablespoons of the olive oil into a large bowl and swirl it to coat the sides of the bowl. Transfer the dough into the bowl with oil. With clean, oiled hands, pick up the dough and fold it over onto itself two to three times to gently incorporate the oil into the dough. Cover and let rise until doubled in size – about three hours at room temperature or in the fridge for eight to 24 hours. The longer and slower the rise, the more flavorful the finished bread will be.

This bread can be baked in a 9-by-13-inch baking dish or in a rimmed 13-by-18-inch baking sheet. The former will result in a thick, pillow-y bread ideal for sandwiches, while the baking sheet will create a thinner, chewier bread perfect for nibbling. Generously butter your pan of choice to prevent the dough from sticking.

Pour the remaining two tablespoons of oil over the dough, and using oiled hands, once again fold the dough over itself two to three times to gently deflate the dough. Tip the dough into the prepared pan and use oiled

fingers to push the dough into the corners of the pan. Cover and let rise for 90 minutes and up to three hours, depending on the ambient temperature. The warmer the temperature, the faster it will rise.

About 30 minutes before baking, preheat the oven to 450 degrees F. Uncover the dough and use oiled fingers to create deep dimples in the dough. Arrange toppings over the dough if using (Be generous as the toppings will shrink while baking.) Sprinkle with coarse salt if desired, then transfer the dough to the preheated oven and bake for 20-30 minutes, until puffed and golden brown. Focaccia with lots of vegetable toppings will take closer to 30 minutes – keep an eye on it and reduce the heat to 425 degrees F halfway through baking if the toppings begin to get too brown. Let the bread rest five minutes after removal from the oven, then turn the bread out onto a rack over a baking sheet to cool. The baking sheet will catch any oil that may drip. □

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MUSIC



Mississippi Leghound plays the Sky Lounge outdoor area this Friday night.

Rolling into August

NOW PLAYING | Tom Irwin

August is upon us and with it comes a break in the hot and heavy heat and humidity of recent weeks. I've heard of a few gigs being canceled because of the heat wave, but now we're back on track. Next week comes the Illinois State Fair and its rush of live music performances. Let's see what's in the works for this weekend.

Thursdays continue to be a hotbed of entertainment with the final 2025 Levitt AMP concert leading the way featuring Grammy-award winning Americana artist Jim Lauderdale with his band the Game Changers and opening act the East Nashville-based, Midwest-raised, internationally traveled combo Adrian and Meredith.

Danenberger Family Vineyards deliver perennial favorites Here Come the Mummies along with special guests Hot Like Mars to its outdoor stage area for a whopping good time. Regular venues host a variety of local heroes including Michael Burnett & the Suns of Circumstance at the Curve Inn, Robert Sampson at Mother Road Diner and John Drake at Sangamo Brewing in Chatham, plus the young duo of Blink Twice at Finley's Tap House.

Friday could not present a better example of our diverse and delightful collection of local talent with an assortment of sounds, sizes and styles on display at various venues in the area. Let's do some jumping around to see if I can make my point. We have the Stone Cold Cowboys, around since 2003, doing a throwback country night at the Curve Inn, while Hip Bone Sam & the Joints do their wondrous thing with special guests for an Alzheimer Association fundraiser at the KC Lake Club in Chatham. Joel Honey slips in for a solo show of all kinds of music on the patio at Casey's Pub, while out at Longbridge Golf Course The 66 Ramblers go

old-time rock 'n' roll on us.

In the battle of classic rock bands with each playing totally different sets, The Rick Mari Band hits Mowie's Cue as Mississippi Leghound pops into Sky Lounge. Samba Llamas continue their decades-long dive into samba stylings at Pease's at BUNN Gourmet, Blue Country Revue takes on blues and country (hence the moniker) at Harvest Market, while at Crows Mill Pub, Hippies of the Heartland go mostly with acoustic hits of the 60s and 70s. There's plenty more happening, but I just know you get my gist.

As we meander into Saturday, things get started at 10 a.m. with Nodal Nim at Stella Coffee & Tea, then move on to a family-friendly pick-in out at Clayville near Pleasant Plains with myself and Amy Battles doing kid songs, Linda Dust telling stories and who knows who picking and grinning who knows what from 1 to 5 p.m. M

More afternoon doings include the Eric & Kortney duo at Northern Lights Lounge, then Big Guy brings his solo show and guests to the Railyard at 6 p.m. Shortly after that, things just go wild with everything from Angel Brown and Rick Gasparin as the Smooth 'N' Blue Duo at Lime Street to Zach Fedor coming home with the Long Goodbyes and longtime cohort Tyler Landess at the Curve, as well as Andon "Ted" Davis joining old friend Mike Burnett at Brookhills and the incredible lineup of Buddy Rogers (saxophones), Adrian Russo (piano), Craig Russo (drums) and Toby Curtright (bass) at Buzz Bomb as the 3G Quartet.

Funday is not actually a real compound word, but it rhymes so well with Sunday we just go along with it to be nice. So take a look at all the 20-some shows happening and go have yourself a fun day on Sunday. I'll see you next week at the state fair! □

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Thursday Jul 31

Open mic with Mike Metz
The Bird Tavern, 6:30-9pm

Michael Burnett & The Suns of Circumstance
Curve Inn, 6-10pm

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

Here Come the Mummies, Hot Like Mars
Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 7pm

Open mic with Bob Besser
Decatur Brew Works, Decatur, 6pm

Blink Twice
Finley's Tap House Restaurant & Craft Beer Bar, 6-9pm

Karaoke
Goodfellas Pub, 8pm

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

Robert Sampson
Mother Road Diner, Route 66 Hotel & Conference Center, 6-9pm

Karaoke
Replay Lounge, 8pm

John Drake
Sangamo Brewing, Chatham, 5:30pm

Open mic with Silas Tockey
Spirited Republic/Limerick Brewing Company, Lincoln, 7-10pm

Kortney and friends open mic
The Blue Grouch, 7-11pm

Karaoke
The Tipsy Toad, 8pm-12am

Good Times Karaoke
VFW Lafore Lock Post 755, 7pm

Karaoke
Whiskey Ridge Saloon, Breckenridge, 8-11pm

Friday Aug 1

Travis Ried
The Alamo, 5:30-8:30pm

Rod Grant
Bar Bella, 5-8pm

Branded
Bunkers Bar, Illiopolis, 7pm

Lunar Ticks
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

West End Boogie Project
Camouflage Bar, VFW Post 99, Decatur, 7-10pm

Joel Honey
Casey's Pub, 7-10pm

Hippies of the Heartland
Crows Mill Pub, 6-10pm

Stone Cold Cowboys
Curve Inn, 6:30-10:30pm

Dave Littrell
Dockside Grill at Lake Springfield, 6-9pm

Karaoke
Foxhole Pub N Grub, Lincoln, 8pm-12am

Michael Burnett & Acoustic Suns with Joe Dawkins
George Rank's, 7:30pm

Blue Country Revue
Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, 6-9pm

Keith Dunlap
Jamie's Route 66, Southern View, 6pm

Hipbone and The Joints with special guests
KC Lake Club, Chatham, 6-9pm

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

Izzy Miller
Legendary Small Town Trading Co., Taylorville, 6-9pm

The 66 Ramblers
Long Bridge Golf Course, 6:30pm

Karaoke
The Lumpia House, 5-11pm

Karaoke with DJ McLovin
Main Gate Bar & Grill, 8pm

Rick Mari Band
Mowie's Cue, 8-11pm

Afternoon Delight
Patriots Pub, Waverly, 8-11pm

Samba Llamas
Pease's at BUNN Gourmet, 5:30-7:30pm

Mississippi Leghound
Sky Lounge, 7-10pm

Silas Tockey
Spirited Republic/Limerick Brewing Company, Lincoln, 6pm

Silverada
Twisted Tree Music & Event Hall, Jacksonville, 7-10pm

Saturday Aug 2

Karaoke with JCB Entertainment
AJ's Corner, Chatham, 8pm-1am

Devin Clemons
American Legion Post 262, Waverly, 7-10pm

Andon "Ted" Davis, Michael Burnett and Suns of Circumstance
Brookhills Golf Club, 6-9pm

Jake & Mikayla
Buckhart Tavern, Rochester, 8-11pm

Stone Cold Cowboys
Bunkers Bar, Illiopolis, 7pm

Craig Russo 3G Quartet
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

The Wiseguys
Camouflage Bar, VFW Post 99, Decatur, 7:30-10:30pm

Pick In starring Tom Irwin Family and friends
Clayville Historic Site, Pleasant Plains, 1-5pm

Wreckless Whiskey
CrowBarn, Macon, 7-10pm

Zach Fedor & The Long Goodbyes with Tyler Landess
Curve Inn, 6pm

Manny Lee
Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, 6-9pm

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

Satellite
Locals Bar, Pawnee, 7-10pm

The Tangents
Lucky's on the Square, Petersburg, 7-10pm

The 4 County Band
The Nook, Beardstown, 8pm-12am

Eric and Kortney
Northern Lights Lounge, 2-5pm

Renegade Karaoke
Northern Lights Lounge, 8:30pm-12:30am

The Remedy
Pop's Place, Decatur, 8pm-12am

Big Guy's Solo Show with special guests
The Railyard, 6-9pm

Karaoke
Silver Sevens Gaming Pub & Parlor, 8pm-12am

Hippies of the Heartland
South Fork Pub, Kincaid, 5-8pm

Nodal Nim
Stella Coffee & Tea, 10am-12:30pm

Grounded
The Blue Grouch, 6:30-10:30pm

Karaoke
The Next Stop Saloon, Mount Pulaski, 8pm-12am

Just 4 Kicks
Town Hall Pub, Loami, 7-10pm

Dance Monkey
Weebles, 6:30pm

11am-1pm

Gerome Durham
Pop's Place, Decatur, 3-6pm

Larry Watson with Dan Grover
The Shed, Pawnee, 4-7pm

The Tangents
Trails End Saloon, Curran, 3pm

Monday Aug 4

The Dig 3
The Alamo, 7pm

Al Kitchen and Nino Giganti
Fulgenzi's Pizza and Pasta, 6-9pm

Tuesday Aug 5

Open jam with Casey Cantrall
George Rank's, 8-11pm

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

Karaoke
Oogie and JJ's Bar, Glenarm, 7-10pm

Karaoke with DJ McLovin
Pam's Jailhouse, 8pm

Karaoke
The Rusty Rail Pub, Lincoln, 8pm-12am

Open mic with Silas Tockey
VFW Lafore Lock Post 755, 6-9pm

Sunday Aug 3

Not Petty
AJ's Corner, Chatham, 2-5pm

Stefan Huffman Band
Brookhills Golf Club, 3-6pm

Nick Park and Dr. Dave
Buckhart Tavern, Rochester, 3-6pm

Hollow Creek
Bunkers Bar, Illiopolis, 2pm

Buzz Bomb Fantastical Folk Jam
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 4-6pm.

Rod Grant
Coyote Den, Salisbury, 11am-2pm

Brandy Kristin Band
Curve Inn, 1-4pm

Colt Ball
Dockside Grill at Lake Springfield, 1-4pm

Sista and The Misters
Hill Prairie Winery, Oakford, 2-5pm

Jonnie Concaroo Band
It's All About Wine, 3pm

Big Guy & His All-Star Singers
Mother Road Diner, Route 66 Hotel & Conference Center, 6-9pm

Mandy Rose
Pease's at BUNN Gourmet,

Wednesday Aug 6

Open mic with Joel Honey and Silas Tockey
Boone's, 7-10pm

Karaoke
Clique, 9pm-1am

J.C.B. Entertainment Karaoke
Crows Mill Pub, 8pm-12am.

Levi Tucker
Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery, 6-8pm

Open mic with Hippies of the Heartland
Sunset Inn Pub, 6-9pm

Roger & Mandy open mic
Trails End Saloon, Curran, 7-10pm

THE CALENDAR



Powerlight Abe Lincoln Car Show Spectacular

Fri., Aug. 1, 6 p.m., and Sat., Aug. 2, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Cherry Hills Church 2125 Woodside Road 217-553-5271

CAR SHOWS | Annual event features cruise, actor Erik Estrada and more

it This annual car show, in its 12th year, begins with a classic car cruise at 6 p.m. Friday. The cruise will begin at the Horace Mann parking lot and travel to Cherry Hills Church, the site of the show. This year's event features actor Erik Estrada, star of the television show *CHiPs*. The car show includes car judging in 60-plus classes, trophies, a helicopter and vintage aircraft demonstration and much more. At 6:30 p.m. Friday, a meet and greet plus Q&A with Estrada is planned in the main building at the church. Estrada will be on site Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and available for photos and autographs. Car show awards will be presented at 3:30 p.m.

■ Special Music Events

Capital Big Band

Sun., Aug. 3, 6-8p.m. Part of the Concerts in the Park series hosted by the Pilot Club of Jacksonville. Bring lawn chairs and blankets to the Big Bandstand. Free. Jacksonville Community Park, Jacksonville, 1201 S. Main, 217-243-9990.

The Detroit Doors

Fri., Aug. 1, 6-9p.m. Part of the Jacksonville Main Street Downtown Concert Series. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for a free family-friendly evening of music and socializing. Event will include food trucks. Then check out the music at the week's after-concert location. Central Park Plaza, Jacksonville, 32 N. Central Park, 217-245-6884.

South Fork Music & Mud Festival

July 31-Aug. 2. A three day weekend of mud, music and memories. Headliners on Aug. 1 are Outlaw Nation featuring Nu Breed and Jesse Howard. Hinder headlines on Aug. 2. See Facebook page for more info. \$100-140. South Fork Dirt Riders, Taylorville, 794 Illinois 104, 217-237-4752.

Springfield Municipal Band

Tuesdays, 7:30p.m. Through Aug. 6. Part of a series of 10 shows at

Duncan Park by the large version of the band. Free. Duncan Park, 200 N. MacArthur Blvd.

Springfield Municipal Band

Wednesdays, 3pm. Through Aug. 7. Part of a series of eight shows at Edwards Place by a small version of the band. Edwards Place, Springfield Art Association, 700 N. Fourth St., 217-523-2631.

Springfield Municipal Band

Sat., Aug. 2, 10-11am. The band will play outside the museum. Free. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, 212 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

Thematic Concert Series - Opera

Fri., Aug. 1, 6:30pm. Each week, the Carillon comes to life with a unique musical theme. This week it's opera songs. Bring a blanket, pack a picnic and enjoy the sounds of summer under the stars. carillonrees.org. Free. Thomas Rees Memorial Carillon, 1740 W. Fayette Ave., 217-546-3853.

Jim Lauderdale, Adrian and Meredith

Thu., July 31, 6-9:30pm. Grammy Award-winning Americana singer Jim Lauderdale will close out the 10-week Levitt Amp Concert Series in Springfield. Evening begins at 6:30pm with a kids kickoff event.

The opening act, Adrian and Meredith, will play at 7pm followed by the headliner at 8pm. Bring lawn chairs. Y-Block. 217-741-1643.

■ Books & Authors

Society of Midwestern Authors

First Tuesday of every month, 6-7:45pm. Love to write? Check out this skilled, supportive group of local writers for critiques of your work, discussion and networking. chathamlib.org. Free. Chatham Area Public Library, Chatham, 600 E. Spruce St., 217-483-2713.

■ Theater & Comedy

Shrek: The Musical

Fri., Aug. 1, 8:30pm, Sat., Aug. 2, 8:30pm, Sun., Aug. 3, 8:30pm and Wed., Aug. 6, 8:30pm. This musical features Shrek, the Ogre, who is on a life-changing journey with a donkey and a princess. Shrek starts off just wanting to be left alone, but finds that love is much more rewarding. LaDonna Wilson will direct the show. The Muni, 815 E. Lake Dr., 217-793-6864.

The Little Mermaid

Sun., Aug. 3, 1, 3pm. This is a contemporary retelling of the classic fairytale that combines bold, collaborative choreography and an

epic playlist of your new favorite songs with universal themes of striving for independence, learning who to trust, finding courage in unlikely places, and discovering your true self. *The Little Mermaid* has everything you know and love about the original blended with the kind of innovative storytelling through dance you've come to expect from a Dance Arts Youth Company production. Show features a cast of more than 40 Dance Arts Studio (DAS) students. \$5- \$15. Hoogland Center for the Arts LRS Theatre 1, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

■ Comedy Open Mic

Thu., July 31, 8-10pm. Hosted by Ryne Thorson. No pre-signup. Five-minute sets. Signup starts at 7:30pm. Mic starts at 8pm. Free. Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 406 E. Adams St., 217-679-9005.

Camp Sunshine

Fri., Aug. 1, 7:30-9:30pm, Sat., Aug. 2, 7:30-9:30pm and Sun., Aug. 3, 7:30-9:30pm. Written by Ken Bradbury and Roger Wainwright, *Camp Sunshine* is a musical telling the story of some young people who attend a camp that's not so typical ... or maybe it is. Sure to be charming show for old, young, and most significantly, the young at heart. theatreinthepark.net. Theatre in the Park, Lincoln's New Salem

State Historic Site, Petersburg, 15588 History Lane, 217-725-0239.

■ Spoken Word

Springfield Poets and Writers

Fri., Aug. 1, 12-1pm. Part of the Artist in the Park x Food Truck Fridays event series. Food trucks on site 11am-2pm. Free. Union Square Park, 212 N. Sixth St., 217-753-3519.

■ Art & Architecture

"Confluence" and "PLEIADES" opening receptions

Fri., Aug. 1, 5:30-7:30pm. Celebrate the opening of these two exhibits. "Confluence" features immersive works by Laura Anderson and Leslie Stalter exploring the line between natural and manufactured. "Pleiades" showcases powerful, diverse expressions by seven women artists working in various media. There will be an artist talk for "Confluence" at 6pm. springfieldart.org. Free. SAA Collective Gallery, 105 N. Fifth St., 217-544-2787.

ArtVenture Awaits ~ Red, White and You Week

Mondays-Thursdays, 9am-12pm. This summer camp features small classes, big imagination and a "yes you can" spirit. Camp helps children from kindergarten through 12th grade build confidence through creativity, community and fun. See the Facebook page for more info. \$35 single class, \$120 four sessions. Studio on 6th, 215 S. Sixth St., 217-220-5334.

Discover Downtown - Community Mural

Sat., Aug. 2, 3-6pm. Help paint a community mural in Art Alley in this Discover Downtown event. Plan to paint a brick with something fun and unique, and enjoy free snacks while hanging out. Art Alley is off of Fifth Street between Adams and Washington streets. Call for more info. Art Alley, 5th St and 5 W. Old State Capitol, Alley, 217-544-1723.

Make & Mingle

First Wednesday of every month, 5:30-8:30pm. An open studio experience in the Condell Studio. Bring a project and make new friends, discuss ideas, tackle project challenges and mingle with other art-minded individuals. No instruction or materials provided. No reservations needed. Free. Springfield Art Association, 700 N. Fourth St., 217-523-2631.

■ Food & Drink

Honey Through the Ages: A

Tasting Journey

Sun., Aug. 3, 1:30-3pm. Amber Boring Rutledge of Wild Harvest Honey Farm will present this program. Includes honey tasting. Hosted by the DeWitt County Museum Association. chmoorehomestead.org. Free. C.H. Moore Homestead DeWitt County Museum, Clinton, 219 E. Woodlawn St., 217-935-6066.

■ Fairs & Festivals

Celebration in the Park

Fri., Aug. 1, 11am-2pm. This free event offers services for vision, hearing, health, haircuts and more. At the pavilion. Includes food, music, games and giveaways. Sponsored by The Salvation Army, Cherry Hills Church, St. Aloysius Church, Washington Street Mission and SIU Office of Community Health. Free. Comer Cox Park, Capitol Avenue and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, 217-525-2196.

District 186 Back to School Event

Thu., July 31, 3-7pm. Please join us for this districtwide, back to school event designed to bring families, educators and community partners together to celebrate the start of a new school year. It will include school supply and backpack giveaways, live student performances, foods and treats and a variety of exhibitors sharing valuable information and resources for families and educators. sps186.org. Free. District 186 School Administrative Office, 3063 Fiat Ave., 217-525-3000.

Friday Night Live

Fri., Aug. 1, 5pm. Downtown Springfield is the place to go on four Friday nights this summer. Enjoy food, drinks, entertainment, shopping and family fun. On Aug. 1, from 5 to 8pm, parents who register can drop children ages 4 and old off at Kidzeum for a pizza dinner. Register at kidzeum.org/events. Downtown Springfield, Downtown, 217-544-1723.

Homecoming

Sat., Aug. 2, 1-9pm. Join CILCA alumni, supporters, volunteers and friends for a day of activities as they celebrate the camp's 75th anniversary. Event includes a softball game, volleyball tournament, vendor fair, live auction, worship, a meal, concert and more. \$15. Camp CILCA, Cantrall, 4124 Camp CILCA Road, 217-487-7497.

Moonlight Market

First Wednesday of every month, 6-9pm. Through Sep. 4. Moonlight Market highlights local crafters, artists and makers from around the Central Illinois area. On Jackson Street between Sixth and

Seventh streets. Obed and Isaac's Microbrewery, 500 S. Sixth St., 217-670-0627.

■ Children's Corner

ALPLM's Back to School Bash

Sat., Aug. 2, 9am-1pm. A fun-filled, hands-on day of games and learning as we get pumped to start the upcoming school year. Includes free haircuts for students, story time and hands-on activities, conservation and recycling activities, interactive animal experiences from the Henson Robinson Zoo, special visits from first responders and safety education for youth and adults. Explore a firetruck, police car and ambulance. visitspringfieldillinois.com. Free. Union Square Park, 212 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

Kids Fare Garden Club

Mondays, 10-11am. Through Aug. 4. Taught by Alana Reynolds of Butler Elementary School Community Garden, children do tasks in their plots, plus fun nature- and garden-related activities. Registration is day of, with a cap of 15 kids. Free. Enos Park Neighborhood Garden, 1022 N. Fifth St., 217-610-0720.

Kids Fare Garden Club

Thursdays, 10-11am. Through Aug. 7. Meet in the children's garden for Kids Fare Garden Club. Taught by Alana Reynolds, children do tasks in their plots, plus fun nature- and garden-related activities.

Registration is day of with a cap of 15 children. Free. Enos Park Neighborhood Garden, 1022 N. Fifth St., 217-610-0720.

Mini Explorer's Club

Tuesdays, 9:30-10:15am. Through Aug. 26. Mini Explorer's club is the Illinois State Museum's newest engaging, musical, and hands-on 45-minute class for young children aged 18 months to 5 years. Mini Explorer's Club aims to creatively introduce all the wonders of Illinois to the state's youngest citizens. Each Explorer's Club class will teach a new aspect of Illinois history, science or art. Explorer's will sing, move, and create as they learn all about Illinois' cultural and natural resources. This free program (no registration required) is perfect for future historians, scientists, and artists. Free. Illinois State Museum, 502 S. Spring St., 217-782-6623.

Summer Camp

Mondays-Fridays, 9am-3pm. Through Aug. 18. Program for children 5 to 12 features learning,

music, sports and food and snacks. Camp time is 9am to 3pm. Call for more info or to enroll. Free. Union Baptist Church, 1405 E. Monroe St., 217-544-8115.

■ Nature, Science & Environment

Central Illinois Daylily Society

Plant Sale

Sat., Aug. 2, 12-3pm. In this annual event, gorgeous daylilies will be on sale and society members will be on hand to answer daylily questions. Free admission. Washington Park Botanical Garden, 1740 W. Fayette Ave., 217-546-4116.

■ Lectures & Meetings

August Law Enforcement Hiring, Training, Wellness, and Cultural Competency Workgroup Meeting

Mon., Aug. 4, 5:30-7:30pm. August Law Enforcement Workgroup meeting will be held in the multi purpose room of Lincoln Library, 2nd FL, on August 4th at 5:30pm. Join us for this ongoing discussion about police reform, victim advocacy, and equitable treatment of all citizens. Free. Lincoln Public Library, Lincoln, 725 Pekin St., 217-732-8878.

Capital Area Woodworkers Guild

Tue., Aug. 5, 5:30-7:30pm. Meeting features woodworking program and brief updates on recent member projects. Guests welcome. MCL Restaurant & Bakery-Springfield, 2151 Wabash Ave., 217-416-7873.

Menard County Trails & Greenways: Ways to Discovery Chautauqua Series 2025

Sun., Aug. 3, 1-3pm. Dr. Jim Herkert will discuss Cornell University's "eBird" App and how local birders can contribute to national conservation efforts. Angela Gillmore Kim will discuss the recent digitization of the Petersburg Observer newspaper and how to use digital archives for research into personal and regional history. Dr. Rob Lowenthal will discuss his process of photographing the Milky Way Galaxy. After the presentations, Wild Columbine will perform. Free. Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site, Petersburg, 15588 History Lane, 618-521-1030.

Workshop: Preserving History, Closing the Financial Gap

Fri., Aug. 1, 11:30am. Working with historic buildings? Join this hands-on workshop and learn about financing tools and the rewards and challenges of historic development.

Includes lunch. From 2 until 5pm there will be one on one project consults. Bring ideas or property details for expert feedback. Free. Lincoln Public Library, Lincoln, 725 Pekin St., 217-544-1723.

■ Bulletin Board

Community Blood Drive

Thu., July 31, 3-6pm. Help save lives by donating blood at this community blood drive. Registration requested to ensure a smooth and efficient process. Sign up at login.bloodcenter.org. Chatham Area Public Library, Chatham, 600 E. Spruce St., 217-483-2713.

Lincoln Land Depression Era Glass & Pottery Club

Mon., Aug. 4, 2-4pm. Join us to learn more about Depression era glass. Includes show and tell time and informative lectures. Free. Hope Presbyterian Church, 2211 Wabash Ave., 217-529-3055.

Westside Market

First Sunday of every month, 2-5pm. Through Oct. 6. Features at least 25 vendors selling a variety of items including crafts, food and more. Includes kid's corner with activities for children and some non-traditional participants. See

the Facebook page for more info. Parking lot of Papo's Cafe, 3290 W. Illes Ave.

■ Week of Magic

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■ Health & Fitness

Caregiver Retreat

Sat., Aug. 2, 9am-12pm. A peaceful, restorative retreat just for caregivers. For those caring for a loved one with dementia, a special needs child, a family member with a long-term illness or a loved one with addiction or severe mental health issues. Reconnect with yourself, God and with others who are walking the same road. Snacks and coffee will be provided. Registration is required. Free. Hope Church, 3000 Lenhart Road, 217-787-1446.

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John "Jack" Madura

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John "Jack" Madura, 84, of Springfield, died at 7:08 p.m. on Tuesday, July 22, 2025, at Springfield Memorial Hospital. Jack was born Feb. 6, 1941, in Chicago, Illinois, the son of John and Esther (Songhurst) Madura. He married Judy Thomas on Dec. 28, 1965.

He was a proud graduate of Fenger High School on the South Side of Chicago, where he had the opportunity to play on Soldier Field as a quarterback. Jack went on to earn both bachelor's and master's degrees from Murray State University, where he met the love of his life, Judy. He continued his education and earned a Master of Fine Arts degree from Northern Illinois University. Jack and Judy shared 59 wonderful years together. Jack was a Professor of Arts from 1970-2002 at Lincoln Land Community College in Springfield, Illinois. He was an avid Chicago sports fan, always cheering for the Bears and Blackhawks.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Esther; and sister, Virginia James. He is survived by his wife, Judy, of Springfield, Illinois; daughters, Allison (Matt) Herbst and Megan Madura of Springfield, Illinois; sons, John and Scott Madura of Springfield, Illinois; grandchildren, Morgan of Kansas City, Missouri; Lukas of Chatham, Illinois; Thomas and Reagan of Springfield, Illinois; and brother, Bob Madura of Palos Heights, Illinois.

Cremation was provided by Lincoln Land Cremation Society. The family will host a Celebration of Life at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Central Illinois Food Bank. Please visit www.lincolnlands.com to offer your condolences.



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Real Estate Foreclosure

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff,
v.
JOHN TUNSTALL, a/k/a JOHN WESLEY TUNSTALL,
KRISTINE TUNSTALL, STATE OF ILLINOIS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.
Case No. 2025FC000005

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the court on the Complaint for Foreclosure in the above-entitled cause, the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.
(A) The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: United Community Bank, Attn: Loss Mitigation, 1311 West Jefferson Street, Auburn, IL 62615; Telephone: (217) 438-5467

(B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is: 6848 Lake Service Road, Rochester, Illinois 62563

(C) A description of the improvements on the real estate is: Single family residence.

(D) The real estate may be inspected prior to sale at the following times: Not applicable.

(E) The time and place of the sale are: Tuesday, August 26, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.; 2nd Floor Auditorium, 300 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701

(F) The terms of the sale are: 10% cash or certified funds at the time of sale; balance within twenty-four (24) hours of sale. Plaintiff may credit bid at the sale. The successful bidder will receive a Certificate of Purchase following the sale and a Sheriff's Deed upon confirmation of the sale by the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois.

(G) Title will be conveyed subject to real estate taxes for 2024 and subsequent years and special assessments, if any; to building restrictions and restrictive covenants of record; to easements of record or in place; to rights of way for roads, streets, and highways; to rights of tenants in possession, if any. Sale is subject to approval of the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois. Any real estate transfer tax which may be due as a result of the sale shall be paid by the purchaser.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, successor by merger with TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., Plaintiff,
v.
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF

MARY ANN DALEY, Deceased; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF JOHN R. DALEY, JR., a/k/a JOHN DALEY, Deceased; JAMES R. DALEY; JONATHAN JAMES DALEY; JENNIFER DALEY; WILLIAM P. BUTCHER, not personally, but as Special Representative for JOHN R. DALEY, JR. a/k/a JOHN DALEY, AND MARY ANN DALEY; "UNKNOWN OWNERS" and "NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS," Defendants.

No. 2024FC000144

PROPERTY ADDRESS:
324 E. Houston Street
Springfield, Illinois 62707

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to JENNIFER DALEY, Defendant in the above-entitled suit, that said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois, by Plaintiff, HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, successor by merger with TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., against you and other defendants praying for foreclosure of a Mortgage covering the premises described as follows: to wit:

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Permanent Index No: 15-29.0-252-043 which Mortgage was made by Mary Ann Daley and John Daley, as Mortgagors, in favor of Town and Country Banc

Mortgage Services, Inc., predecessor in interest to Heartland Bank and Trust Company, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois, on December 10, 2018, as Document No. 2018R25562. NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the above-named Defendants, file your answer to the Complaint in said suit, or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois, on or before August 25, 2025, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

DATED at Chicago, Illinois, this 16th day of July, 2025.
Tina M. Jacobs, Esq. - ARDC 6190255
Joy Pinta, Esq. - ARDC 6278250
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

BANK OF SPRINGFIELD, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff,

v. Case No. 2022-FC-200

MITCHELL T. BARNOSKY, DANIELLE R. BARNOSKY, and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure

entered by the court in the above-entitled cause the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

(A) The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information

regarding the real estate is:

Suzanna Scherf

BANK OF SPRINGFIELD

3400 Wabash Avenue

Springfield, IL 62711

Telephone: (217) 529-5555

(B) The common address and other common descriptions, if any, of the real estate is:

3324 South Rita Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62703

(C) The legal description of the real estate is as follows:

Lot Thirteen (13), Block Three (3) Golden Garden, a subdivision in Sangamon County, Illinois.

ALSO, Lot Twelve (12) in Block Three (3) of Golden Gardens

Annex, a subdivision of part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section Sixteen (16) and part of the Northeast

Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section Sixteen (16), all in

Township Fifteen (15) North, Range Five (5) West of the Third

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7th Judicial Circuit

Sangamon County, IL

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No. 2024-FC-200

October 23, 1987 as Document Number 83183.

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

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois
Parcel Number(s): 22-16-0-207-028

(D) Description of the improvement on the real estate is as follows:

Single Family Residence

(E) The real estate will not be open for inspection prior to sale.

(F) The time and place of the sale is: 9:00 AM on August 19, 2025 at the Sangamon County Sheriff's Office, 1 Copley Plaza, Springfield, IL 62703.

(G) The terms of the sale are cash or certified funds at time of sale.

(H) The subject property is sold subject to all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, all general real estate taxes which have not yet become due and payable, with special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions of record, and existing leases, if any, applicable zoning laws; property is sold "AS IS, WHERE IS, and with no warranties", and without any representation as to quality or quantity of the title and without recourse to Plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court.

(I) Title will be conveyed subject to any liens or encumbrances prior to the mortgage of Prairie State Bank & Trust, all general real estate taxes, special assessments if any, easements and restrictions of record, and all encroachments, if any.

(J) Plaintiff

Samuel J. Witsman (ARDC #6193744)

Alexander S. Prillaman (ARDC #6339535)

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8051-956070

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
SERRV ONE, INC. DBA BSI FINANCIAL SERVICES,
PLAINTIFF,
VS.

CODY TEGA; KATHY TEGA; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS.

No. 2024FC000169
416 EAST WASHINGTON STREET RIVERTON, IL 62561

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on May 21, 2025, will on 08/26/2025, in the Sangamon South Auditorium #1 Copley Plaza (Old SJR Building) 1st Floor, Springfield, IL 62701, at 9:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

(A) The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is:

Samuel J. Witsman
Hart, Southworth & Witsman
Suite 501, One North Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield, Illinois 62701
Telephone: (217) 753-0055

(B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is:

3001 Hoover Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703

(C) Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

Tax Identification Number: 22-10-481-019

(D) A description of the improvements on the real estate is: Approximately 837 square foot 1 story residence with 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom and a 2-car attached garage.

(E) No times have been specified in the judgment of foreclosure for inspection of the real estate prior to sale.

(F) The time and place of the sale are: Time: 9:00 a.m. on August 26, 2025

Place: Second Floor Boardroom
200 South 9th Street
Springfield, Illinois 62701

(G) The terms of the sale are: Twenty-five percent (25%) of sale price at time of sale and balance within twenty-four (24) hours.

(H) Title will be conveyed subject to any liens or encumbrances prior to the mortgage of Prairie State Bank & Trust, all general real estate taxes, special assessments if any, easements and restrictions of record, and all encroachments, if any.

(I) Plaintiff

Samuel J. Witsman (ARDC #6193744)

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deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For Information: Visit our website at <http://ilforeclosuresales.mrplc.com>. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLP.

Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 23-140601L

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of DARL E. YOUNG, Deceased.

IN PROBATE No. 2025-PR-304

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Darl E. Young, Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on July 23, 2025, to Daryl A. Young II, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Brandon R. Clark, Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000, Springfield, IL 62701. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 14th day of February, 2026, 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 July, 2025.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DIANE LYNN WATSON, Deceased.

NO. 2025-PR-245

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION — CLAIMS

Notice is given of the death of DIANE LYNN WATSON Macoupin County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on June 23, 2025, to SANDRA L. WATSON, 225 Glasgow, Springfield, IL 62702, whose attorney is Verticchio & Verticchio, 100 East Chestnut Street, P.O. Box 87, Gillespie, Illinois 62033.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at the Macoupin County Courthouse in Carlinville, Illinois 62626, or with the representative, or both, within six months from the date of the first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies 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 23rd day of July 2025.

SANDRA L. WATSON, Administrator

BY: Rick Verticchio

One of Her Attorneys

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STANA ZIEMBA JASJEN,

Deceased.

Case No. 2025-PR-289

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of STANA ZIEMBA JASJEN, Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on July 21, 2025, to Anthony Ziembra, 529 Brookside Glen Dr., Sherman, IL 62684-9443, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Alex B. Rabin, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before January 22, 2025 or six (6) 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 22nd day of July, 2025.

Alex B. Rabin

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217-789-1200

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM J. HUNDLEY JR., Deceased NO. 2025-PR-292

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of WILLIAM J. HUNDLEY, JR., Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on July 21, 2025, to Heather Hundley, 2506 E. Rechter Rd., Bloomington, IN 47401, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Alex B. Rabin, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before January 22, 2026 or six (6) 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 representatives and to their attorneys within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

DAVID L. MITTS, Executor of the Estate of LYLA D. MITTS, Deceased

Attorneys' Address:

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

In the matter of the estate of:

Ruth O. Suphen, Deceased

Case No. 23-PR-284

Claim Notice

Notice is given of the death of Ruth O. Suphen. Letters of Office were issued on July 14, 2025 to Julie Ann Love, 1990 Outer Park Drive, Springfield, IL 62704.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62702, or with the Executor, on or before, Dec. 14, 2025. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Executor within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 21st day of July, 2025.

Alex B. Rabin

Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin, & Reinbold, LLP

1119 S. Sixth Street

Springfield, IL 62703

217-789-1200

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NANCY M. HAHN, DECEASED

Case #2025-PR-282

DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of NANCY M. HAHN. Letters of Office have been issued to RAYMOND HICKMAN, CPA, 1717 South 5th Street, Springfield, IL 62703, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Sheehan & Sheehan, Lawyers, P.C., 1215 South 4th Street, Springfield, IL 62703.

Claims against the estate may be filed

in the office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, Room 405, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before February 2, 2026, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Independent Executor and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 17th day of July, 2025.

Patrick J. Sheehan

SHEEHAN & SHEEHAN, LAWYERS, P.C.

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

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF:

LYLA D. MITTS,

Deceased.

Case No.: 2025-PR-258

CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of LYLA D. MITTS of Springfield, Illinois, and that Letters Testamentary were issued on June 26, 2025, to DAVID L. MITTS, as Executor, of 8715 West John Cabot Road, Peoria, AZ 85382, whose attorney is Duane D. Young of Young Law Partners, P.C., 1300 South 8th 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 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, and with the offices of Young Law Partners, P.C., Attorneys for Executor, or both, within six (6) months from the date of publication and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated this 17th day of July, 2025.

Attorneys for Independent Executor:

Sorling Northrup

Ross D. Stone, Attorney (6349880)

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Springfield, IL 62705

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHARON LOUISE FAIRCLOUGH, Deceased.

NO. 2025PR000271

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Sharon Louise Faircough, Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on July 8, 2025, to Deborah Marie Brown, 1232 Begonia Drive, O'Fallon, MO 63366, Independent Executor, whose attorney is Gregory P. Sgro, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. 6th Street, Springfield, IL 62703.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before January 17, 2026, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered such notice, 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 ten (10) days after it has been filed.

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

Dated: July 17, 2025

Attorneys for Independent Executor:

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

ESTATE OF MARY ALICE TUXHORN, Deceased.

Case No. 2025 PR 286

CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of MARY ALICE TUXHORN. Letters of Office were issued on July 9, 2025, to BENJAMIN W. TUXHORN, of 3609 Hoylake Drive, Springfield, IL 62712, as Executor whose Attorney is JAMES R. ENLOW, of Gates Wise Schlosser & Goebel, 1231 South Eighth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

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Dated: July 10, 2025

Attorneys for Independent Executor:

Sorling Northrup

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Springfield, IL 62705

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the Attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.
DATED July 9, 2025.
James R. Enlow
GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL
Attorneys at Law
1231 South Eighth Street
Springfield, Illinois 62703
Telephone: (217) 522-9010
Facsimile: (217) 522-9020
Email: jim@gwspc.com

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

ROBERT LEE FULCHER, DECEASED.
NO. 2025-PR-273
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS
NOTICE TO HEIRS AND LEGATEES
Notice is given of the death of ROBERT LEE FULCHER, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on July 2, 2025 to ROB FULCHER and JEANENE RENEE LYONS of 1878 Micahs Way North, Spring Lake, NC 28390 and 1800 S. Lincoln Ave., Springfield, IL 62704, whose attorney is DelGiorno Law Office, LLC; PO BOX 52, Springfield, IL 62705.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701 or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the 17th day of July, 2025 being the date of first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.aspx> or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. You also have the right under Section 8-1 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/8-1) and pursuant to Section 6-11 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/6-11) to contest the validity of the Will by filing a petition with the Court within 6 months after admission of the Will to probate.

Dated this 8th day of July, 2025
ROB FULCHER and JEANENE RENEE LYONS, Administrator of the Estate of ROBERT LEE FULCHER, Deceased
BY: DelGIORNO LAW OFFICE, LLC
By: /s/ Anthony J. DelGiorno, Attorney
Attorneys for Estate:
Anthony J. DelGiorno, Attorney
IARD No. 6277358
DelGIORNO LAW OFFICE, LLC
P.O. Box 52
Springfield, IL 62705
Tel. 217-773-5337
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Email: tony@delgiornolawoffice.com
Service: service@delgiornolawoffice.com

STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SAN-
GAMON
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
ELIZABETH HUGHS, Deceased.
CASE NO. 25-PR-99
CLAIM NOTICE AND NOTICE TO UNKNOWN
HEIR OF ROBERT LEE HUGHS III
Notice is given of the death of ELIZABETH HUGHS, who died on August 31, 2024, and to unknown heir of Robert Lee Hughs, III, whose address is not stated in the Petition for Admission of Will and for Appointment of Personal Representative, which was

filed with the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk, Springfield, Illinois. The name and address of the personal representative is Hollie R. Lipe, 5302 Biltmore Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62711, and the attorney of record is Charles K. Smith, whose address is 113 East Douglas Street, Petersburg, Illinois 62675.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, Springfield, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, on or before January 5, 2026. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representatives and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
The estate shall be administered without court supervision, unless under 755 ILCS 5/28-4 of the Probate Act, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk. You may obtain a copy of a form a petition to terminate independent administration from the clerk at the above address.
Dated this 7 day of July, 2025.

Hollie R. Lipe
Personal Representative of said Estate
CHARLES K. SMITH
Attorney At Law
Attorney for Estate
113 East Douglas Street
Petersburg, IL 62675
Telephone: (217) 632-7750
Facsimile: (217) 632-2532
Atty. Reg. #3124493

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the estate of:
Patricia Ferne Etchill, Deceased
Case No. 2024-PR-000080
Claim Notice
Notice is given of the death of Patricia Ferne Etchill. Letters Testamentary were issued on Feb. 26, 2024 to Angela Mitchell-Simmonson as Executor, 2130 Lindsay Road, Springfield, IL 62704.
Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62702, or with the Executor, on or before Jan. 17, 2026. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Executor within 10 days after it has been filed.
Joseph B. Roesch
Clerk of the Circuit Court

Divorce

STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
Re: the marriage of
Jason F. Jones, Petitioner
And
Natalie A. Berry, Respondent
Case No. 2023 DN 000053
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
Notice is given you, Natalie A. Berry, 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 24th day of August, 2025, a judgment of dissolution of marriage and other relief may be granted as prayed for in the Petition.
Joseph B. Roesch
Circuit Clerk

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the Petition of
Amir Maximus Barbee
For change of name to
Amir Maximus Furdge
Case No. 2025-MR-000301
PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Sept. 16, 2025 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Amir Maximus Barbee to Amir Maximus Furdge pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.
Dated: July 31, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the Petition of
Ky'lynn Marie Jones
For change of name to
Ky'lynn Marie Kelley
Case No. 2025-MR-000317
PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Sept. 2, 2025 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Ky'lynn Marie Jones to Ky'lynn Marie Kelley pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.
Dated: July 24, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the Petition of
Avanjolene Hope Kniery
For change of name to
Avanjolene Hope Wilde
and

Amelia Jade Kniery
For change of name to
Amelia Jade Wilde
Case No. 2023-MR-336
PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that on Sept. 2, 2025 we will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Avanjolene Hope Kniery for change of name to Avanjolene Hope Wilde and Amelia Jade Kniery for change of name to Amelia Jade Wilde pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.
Dated: July 24, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the Petition of
Serenity Marie Tolar
For change of name to
Serenity Marie Warfield
Case No. 2025-MR-000273
PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Sept. 2, 2025 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Serenity Marie Tolar to Serenity Marie Warfield pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.
Dated: July 17, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the Petition of
Mason James Carlisle
For change of name to
Mason James Scranton
Case No. 2023-MR-000309
PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Sept. 2, 2025 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Mason James Carlisle to Mason James Scranton pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.
Dated: July 17, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Old National Bank,
Plaintiff,
v.
1833 Seven Pines Road LLC, an Illinois limited liability company; Shai Wolkowicki; Chikoo Patel; Right Edge Lawn Care, Inc.; KH Rehab, LLC; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants,
Defendants.
Case No. 2025FC000131
Property Address:

1831 Seven Pines Road
Springfield, IL 62704
Mortgage Foreclosure Publication Notice

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants in the above-entitled suit, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois, by the said Plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

THE WESTERLY 625 FEET AND THE EAST-
ERLY 345 FEET OF LOT 1 IN PINEBROOK
SUBDIVISION, BEING A PART OF THE
SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 8,
TOWNSHIP 15, NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF
THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN
Parcel Identification Number: 22-08-0-
351-001

Commonly known as: 1831 Seven Pines
Road, Springfield, IL 62704
and which Mortgage was made by 1833
Seven Pines Road LLC, an Illinois limited
liability company. Old National Bank is
the holder of the Note and Mortgage and
recorded in the Office of the Recorder of
Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois as
Document No. 2023R03361.

And for such other relief prayed; that
summons was duly issued out of the said
Circuit Court of Cook County against you
as provided by law, and that the said suit
is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU, the
above said defendant(s), file your answer
to the complaint in this case or otherwise
file your appearance in the Office of the
Sangamon County Circuit Court Clerk,
200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois
62701 on or before September 2, 2025
a default may be entered against you
at any time after that day and a decree
in accordance with the prayer of said
complaint. YOU ARE FURTHER ADVISED
THAT THE TIME IN WHICH THE SUBJECT
REAL ESTATE MAY BE REDEEMED FROM
FORECLOSURE, PURSUANT TO LAW, COM-
ENCED TO RUN WITH THE FIRST DATE
OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

Joe Roesch, Clerk of the Circuit Court of
Sangamon County, Illinois
sangamoncountycircuitclerk.org
Name: Matthew L. Hendrickson
Plunkett Cooney, P.C.
Attorney for the Plaintiff
Illinois Attorney Registration No. 6296720
Address: 221 North LaSalle, Suite 3500
City: Chicago, Illinois 60601
Phone: 312-670-6900
I3270418

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois
banking corporation,
Plaintiff,
v.

ANGELA M. LANGIANO, MIDLAND
CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC., UNKNOWN
OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.
Case No. 2025FC000138
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION
Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN
OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIM-

ANTS of the real estate described below,
Defendants in the above-entitled case,
pursuant to the provisions of Sections
2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502 of the Code
of Civil Procedure, that the above-entitled
mortgage foreclosure suit is now pending
in said court and the day on or after
which a default may be entered against
Defendants is September 4, 2025.
Plaintiff has certified the following regard-
ing said foreclosure action filed on July
22, 2025.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case
Number are as follows: United Community
Bank, an Illinois banking corporation;
2025FC000138.

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:
Angela M. Langiano

4. A legal description of the real estate
sufficient to identify it with reasonable
certainty is as follows:
Lot Six (6) in Block Three (3) of M.S.
Wheeler's Third Addition. Situated in
Sangamon County, Illinois.

5. A common address or description of the
location of the real estate is as follows:
1002 W. Monroe Street, Auburn, Illinois
62615

6. The Tax Identification Number for the
real estate is as follows: 34-10-180-012

7. An identification of the mortgage sought
to be foreclosed is as follows:
Name of Mortgagor: Angela M. Langiano
Name of Mortgagee: United Community
Bank

Date of Mortgage: February 7, 2018
Date of recording: March 2, 2018

County where recorded: Sangamon
County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Docu-
ment No. 2018R04177

/s/ Joseph B. Roesch
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
UNITED COMMUNITY BANK, an Illinois
banking corporation,

Plaintiff,
v.

JOHN TUNSTALL, a/k/a JOHN WESLEY
TUNSTALL,
KRISTINE TUNSTALL, STATE OF ILLINOIS,
UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD
CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.

Case No. 2025FC000005
NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that
pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure
entered by the court on the Complaint for
Foreclosure in the above-entitled cause,
the property hereinafter described or so
much thereof as shall be sufficient to

Sangamon County Request for Proposal Workers Compensation Medical Case Management Services

Sangamon County, Illinois is accepting proposals
for professional Workers Compensation Medical
Case Management Services for employees
injured in the workplace. The Request for
Proposals (RFP) for Medical Case Management
Services will be available beginning July 14,
2025. Copies of the RFP may be picked up at
the address listed below, by emailing tricia.
hoskins@sangamonil.gov, or may be requested
by calling the Sangamon County Human
Resources Office at 217-747-5190.
Sangamon County Human Resources
200 South Ninth Street
Springfield, IL 62701

Proposals for this RFP must be received by
the County Human Resources Office by August
22, 2025, at 1:00 P.M. local time at the above
address. Proposals must be sealed, in writing
and in compliance with the specifications
detailed in the RFP. Questions can be directed to
the County Human Resources, 217-747-5190 or
tricia.hoskins@sangamonil.gov.

satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

(A) The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: United Community Bank, Attn: Loss Mitigation, 1311 West Jefferson Street, Auburn, IL, 62615; Telephone: (217) 438-5467

(B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is: 6848 Lake Service Road, Rochester, Illinois 62563

(C) The legal description of the real estate is: ONE ACRE, MORE OR LESS, OUT OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, AND MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER QUARTER QUARTER SECTION, THENCE EAST 300 FEET, THENCE NORTH 145.2 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE WEST 300 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE SOUTH 145.2 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

(D) A description of the improvements on the real estate is:

Single family residence.

(E) The real estate may be inspected prior to sale at the following times: Not applicable.

(F) The time and place of the sale are: Tuesday, August 26, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.; 2nd Floor Auditorium, 300 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701

(G) The terms of the sale are: 10% cash or certified funds at the time of sale; balance within twenty-four (24) hours of sale. Plaintiff may credit bid at the sale. The successful bidder will receive a Certificate of Purchase following the sale and a Sheriff's Deed upon confirmation of the sale by the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois.

(H) Title will be conveyed subject to real estate taxes for 2024 and subsequent years and special assessments, if any; to building restrictions and restrictive covenants of record; to easements of record or in place; to rights of way for roads, streets, and highways; to rights of tenants in possession, if any. Sale is subject to approval of the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois. Any real estate transfer tax which may be due as a result of the sale shall be paid by the purchaser.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, successor by merger with TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., Plaintiff,
v.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF MARY ANN DALEY, Deceased; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF JOHN R. DALEY, JR., a/k/a JOHN DALEY, Deceased; JAMES R. DALEY; JONATHAN JAMES DALEY; JENNIFER DALEY; WILLIAM P. BUTCHER, not personally, but as Special Representative for JOHN R. DALEY, JR. a/k/a JOHN DALEY, AND MARY ANN DALEY; "UNKNOWN OWNERS" and "NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS," Defendants.

No. 2024FC000144

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

324 E. Houston Street

Springfield, Illinois 62707

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to JENNIFER DALEY, Defendant in the above-entitled suit, that said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois, by Plaintiff, HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, successor by merger with TOWN AND COUNTRY BANC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., against you and other defendants praying for foreclosure of a Mortgage covering the premises described as follows to wit:

LOT 10, 11 AND 12 IN BLOCK 12 OF GRANDVIEW SUBDIVISION.

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

SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Common Address: 324 E. Houston Street Springfield, Illinois 62707

Permanent Index No: 15-29.0-252-043 which Mortgage was made by Mary Ann Daley and John Daley, as Mortgagors, in favor of Town and Country Banc Mortgage Services, Inc., predecessor in interest to Heartland Bank and Trust Company, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois, on December 10, 2018, as Document No. 2018R25526.

NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the above-named Defendants, file your answer to the Complaint in said suit, or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois, on or before August 25, 2025, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

DATED at Chicago, Illinois, this 16th day of July, 2025.

Tina M. Jacobs, Esq. - ARDC 6190255

Joy Pinta, Esq. - ARDC 6278250

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
PRAIRIE STATE BANK & TRUST, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff,
v. AVA M. NORRIS, DECEASED, UNKNOWN HEIRS OR DEVISEES OF AVA M. NORRIS, EVAUGHN FERRERO, ANITA VAN HUSS, ROY BRANHAM, MICHAEL KING, TARA KANE, ANTHONY BRANHAM, PAIGE BRANHAM, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No.: 2024FC126

NOTICE OF COURT SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the Court in the above entitled cause the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder. The sale shall be subject to Court approval. Buyer will be entitled to possession 30 days after the sale is confirmed by the Court.

(A) The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is:

Samuel J. Witsman

Hart, Southworth & Witsman

Suite 501, One North Old State Capitol Plaza

Springfield, Illinois 62701

Telephone: (217) 753-0055

(B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is:

3001 Hoover Street, Springfield, Illinois

62703

(C) The legal description of the real estate is: THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 1 BLOCK 4 IN BELMONT PARK GARDENS.

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

SITUATED in Sangamon County, Illinois.

Tax Identification Number: 22-10-481-019

(D) A description of the improvements on the real estate is:

Approximately 837 square foot 1 story residence with 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom and a 2-car attached garage.

(E) No times have been specified in the judgment of foreclosure for inspection of the real estate prior to sale.

(F) The time and place of the sale are:

Time: 9:00 a.m. on August 26, 2025

Place: Second Floor Boardroom

201 South 9th Street

Springfield, Illinois 62701

(G) The terms of the sale are:

Twenty-five percent (25%) of sale price at time of sale and balance within twenty-four (24) hours.

(H) Title will be conveyed subject to any liens or encumbrances prior to the mortgage of Prairie State Bank & Trust, all general real estate taxes, special assessments if any, easements and restrictions of record, and all encroachments, if any. PRAIRIE STATE BANK & TRUST, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff

Samuel J. Witsman (ARDC #6193744)
Alexander S. Prillaman (ARDC #6339535)

Hart, Southworth & Witsman
Suite 501, One North Old State Capitol Plaza

Springfield, Illinois 62701

Telephone: (217) 753-0055

switsman@hswnet.com
aprillaman@hswnet.com

NOTE: This communication is made for the purpose of collecting a debt. Any information obtained in response to this communication may be used for that purpose. 8051-956070

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
WEST CENTRAL BANK, an Illinois banking corporation, Plaintiff,

v. JB & RC PROPERTIES, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company, & J OPERATIONS, LLC, an Illinois limited

liability company, ROGER W. CHANDLER, PLEASANT

PARK LOT OWNERS ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

Case No. 2025FC000132

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS of the real estate described below, Defendants in the above-entitled case, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that the above-entitled mortgage foreclosure suit is now pending in said court and the day on or after which a default may be entered against Defendants is August 25, 2025.

Plaintiff has certified the following regarding foreclosure action filed on July 14, 2025.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case Number are as follows: West Central Bank, an Illinois banking corporation; 2025FC000132.

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: JB & RC Properties, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company

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

Lot 8C of Pleasant Park - Third Addition, according to the Plat thereof recorded December 5, 1997, as Document No. 97-51053.

Except all coal, minerals and mining rights heretofore conveyed or reserved of record. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 4441 Ash Grove Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62711

6. The Tax Identification Number for the real estate is as follows: 21-14-201-007

7. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:

Name of Mortgagor: JB & RC Properties, LLC

Name of Mortgagee: West Central Bank

Date of Mortgage: April 17, 2020

Date of recording: September 17, 2020

County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2020R25437

/s/ Joseph B. Roesch

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

SERVIS ONE, INC. DBA BSI FINANCIAL SERVICES,

PLAINTIFF,

VS.

CODY TEGA; KATHY TEGA; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS.

NO. 2024FC000169

416 EAST WASHINGTON STREET RIVER-

TON, IL 62561

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDG-

MENT OF FORECLOSURE

UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLO-

SURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that

pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on May 21, 2025, will on 08/26/2025, in the Sangamon South Auditorium #1 Copley Plaza (Old SJR Building) 1st Floor, Springfield, IL 62701, at 9:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

LOT 7 IN BLOCK 13 IN THE VILLAGE OF

RIVERTON, ILLINOIS.

EXCEPT ANY INTEREST IN THE COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE LAND WHICH HAVE BEEN HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED IN PRIOR CONVEYANCES, AND ALL RIGHTS AND

EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS, IF ANY.

SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

TAX NO. 15-09.0-491-005

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 416 East Wash-

ington Street

Riverton, IL 62561

Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has no garage. The exterior is vinyl siding. The color is tan. The gas is on. The water is on.

The property does not have a fence. The vacancy is unknown for this residency. n/a

The Judgment amount was \$85,336.83.

Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

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

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

For Information: Visit our website at <http://ilforeclosuresales.mprlc.com>.

Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLP, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 23-14060IL PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS vs.

Plaintiff,



AUG. 7-17

Miller
Lite
BEER TENT

THURSDAY, AUG. 7

**CAPTAIN GEECH &
THE SHRIMP SHACK SHOOTERS**
5:30PM-7:30PM
BRUSHVILLE
8:30PM-12AM

FRIDAY, AUG. 8

**CAPTAIN GEECH &
THE SHRIMP SHACK SHOOTERS**
5PM-8PM
ICK CREEK
9PM-12AM

SATURDAY, AUG. 9

NAUGHTY-N-NICE
1PM-4PM
**CAPTAIN GEECH & THE
SHRIMP SHACK SHOOTERS**
5PM-8PM
ICK CREEK
9PM-12AM

SUNDAY, AUG. 10

ELVIS HIMSELVIS
1PM-4PM
BRUSHVILLE
4:30-7:30PM
THE KILLER RIFFS
8:30PM-12AM

MONDAY, AUG. 11

TIM HART ACOUSTIC
5PM-8PM
ROCK-N-ROLL SISTERS
9PM-12AM

***OPENING DAY AUG. 7,
BEER TENTS OPEN AT 5PM
EVERYDAY AFTERWARDS
BEER TENTS OPEN AT 12PM**

TUESDAY, AUG. 12

MIKE BURNETT & FRIENDS
4:30PM-7:30PM
DANCE MONKEY
8:30PM-12AM

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 13

BRAT PACK
5PM-7:30PM
STEREO TYPICAL
8:30PM-12AM

THURSDAY, AUG. 14

SUSHI ROLL
4:30PM-7:30PM
HARMONY GRITS
8:30PM-12AM

FRIDAY, AUG. 15

**CAPTAIN GEECH &
THE SHRIMP SHACK SHOOTERS**
5PM-8PM
JOURNEY FROM THE HEART
9PM-12AM

SATURDAY, AUG. 16

MIKE BURNETT & FRIENDS
1PM-4PM
**CAPTAIN GEECH &
THE SHRIMP SHACK SHOOTERS**
5PM-7:30PM
REVEL IN RED
8:30PM-12AM

SUNDAY, AUG. 17

ELVIS HIMSELVIS
1PM-4PM
BRUSHVILLE
5PM-8PM

AUG. 7-17

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BEER TENT

ILLINOIS
STATE FAIR
AUGUST 7 - 17, 2025

AUG. 7-17

Coors
LIGHT
BEER TENT

THURSDAY, AUG. 7

BRAT PACK
5PM-7:30PM
SUSHI ROLL
8:30PM-12AM

FRIDAY, AUG. 8

SILVER LAKE
5PM-8PM
FOREPLAY
9PM-12AM

SATURDAY, AUG. 9

JOEL HONEY
1PM-4PM
X-KRUSH
5PM-8PM
FOREPLAY
9PM-12AM

SUNDAY, AUG. 10

JOEL HONEY
1PM-4PM
FOLSOM PRISON 5
(A TRIBUTE TO JOHNNY CASH)
5PM-7:30PM
SUSHI ROLL
8:30PM-12AM

MONDAY, AUG. 11

**MIKE BURNETT & THE SUNS
OF CIRCUMSTANCE**
7PM-11PM

TUESDAY, AUG. 12

TIM HART ACOUSTIC
5PM-7:30PM
HARMONY GRITS
8:30PM-12AM

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 13

MIXTAPE MAYHEM
5PM-8PM
DANCE MONKEY
9PM-12AM

THURSDAY, AUG. 14

LONGMEYER BAND
5PM-8PM
FOLSOM PRISON 5
(A TRIBUTE TO JOHNNY CASH)
9PM-12AM

FRIDAY, AUG. 15

CAPTAIN QUIRK
5PM-8PM
ICK CREEK
9PM-12AM

SATURDAY, AUG. 16

BRUSHVILLE
5PM-8PM
ICK CREEK
9PM-12AM

SUNDAY, AUG. 17

SILVER LAKE

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