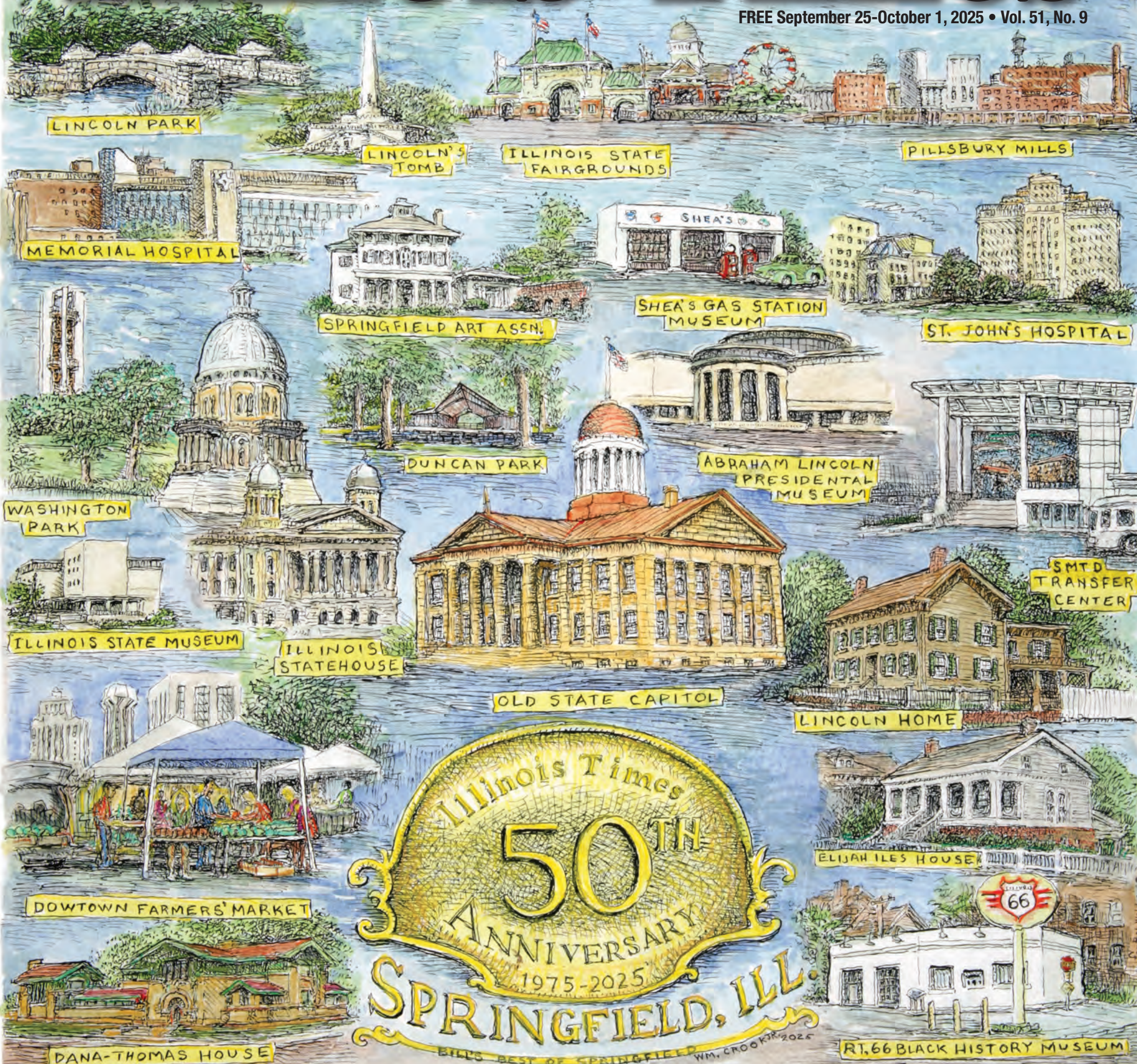


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Maybe freedom of the press isn't guaranteed after all

50th ANNIVERSARY | Fletcher Farrar

As a young newspaper reporter in April 1972 I traveled with friends to the A.J. Liebling Counter-Convention in New York City. Counter-Convention meant this gathering was operating as a counter to the meeting of the American Newspaper Publishers Association, taking place New York at the same time. A.J. Liebling was a press critic and *New Yorker* writer who famously wrote, "Freedom of the press is guaranteed only to those who own one," meant as a slap to the fat cat media barons meeting across town. Our convention was about the "new journalism," as practiced by Tom Wolfe, Gloria Steinem, Dan Rather, Gail Sheehy, Tony Lukas and other luminaries in the room. The possibility of being part of "new" journalism at a "counter" convention made me think of trying to put a positive twist on Liebling's insult about freedom of the press. It made me want to "own one."

I got good experience working for great editors at Lindsay-Schaub, a progressive mainstream newspaper company headquartered in Decatur, until 1976 or so when, from the information booth at the Illinois State Fair, I was handed a copy of *Illinois Times*, a fresh, smart, upstart weekly published in Springfield. Soon I visited the owners and asked if I might start a Decatur edition. No, said Bill and Alan, I should just buy the whole thing. With the help of my businessman father, who thought his son should be in business even if it wasn't his own business, in July 1977 I became a newspaper owner.

There's a photo of me from that fall, looking bewildered by my typewriter, probably because the staff I inherited asked for raises, overdue of course. With no idea how to publish a paper without these people, I had no choice but to give them whatever they wanted. Also, Elvis died around that time. I had never seen a newsroom stop so completely still. There were



The early staff welcomes the new owner to 512 S. Eighth St., July 1977: Front row, from left, Susan Mogerman, Karen Rhoads, Fletcher Farrar, Florence Hardin, Pat Hansmeyer, Barbara Morrison. Second row: Victoria Pope, Trish Crawford, Cathy Singer, Alan Anderson. Back row: Bill Friedman, Penny Freeman, Pat Ladd, Meg Redden. Right, A few months later, alone with his typewriter



tears and a stop-the-presses moment. For the culturally aware, the world had changed, and I was just aware that theirs was a different culture than my own. I brought wastebaskets to the office, a clock for the wall, and washed the dirty dishes in the sink. I was thinking that they were thinking, "Who is this weird guy?"

About that time I got an uplifting call at the office, from Darrell Oldham at *Seattle Weekly*, saying he was inviting "papers like yours" to come to a gathering of alternative weeklies in Seattle in January. Before then I hadn't known

there were other papers like ours, or that there was such a thing as an alternative weekly. I went to Seattle in January 1978, to what became the inaugural meeting of the Association of Alternative Newsweeklies (AAN). I liked "alternative," as I had liked the "counter" in counter-convention. "New" "alternative" journalism meant we had the freedom, and the responsibility, to be different and better.

From discussions at the convention I also picked up business tips. Some of the papers were experimenting with free circulation, which they likened to a broadcast business model. You don't pay to listen or watch (back then you didn't) but because you and a lot of others do, stores and businesses are more willing to advertise. When I came home, we quit charging a quarter, we increased our press run, and advertising got easier to sell. The only downside to making the paper free, one reader reported, was that it became no fun to steal it anymore.

Sometime in the 1980s I spoke to a group of Soviet journalists visiting Springfield through the Commission on International Visitors. I proudly told them that, unlike the USSR, America has freedom of the press.

"Yes," said one of the journalists, "but what do you use your freedom for?" Just then he held up the current issue of *Illinois Times* with a cover story about alpacas. It was a light story, I admit, but important. I was defensive but I got his point. "What do you use your freedom for?" is a question for all Americans, but especially for journalists and newsmedia companies. Sometimes we in this business need to sit back and realize that the only thing stopping us is us.

There's a lot more to freedom of the press than being able to say whatever you want. Unlike free speech, press freedom requires a press – not a literal press maybe, although that helps, but at least an institution, a business that can accumulate credibility. Add to that journalism, which implies respect for the craft of responsible truth-telling. And mix in some courage, not only to publish uncomfortable facts, but also to keep at it, and keep the bills paid, for a long time. Freedom of the press is guaranteed only to those who put it to work. □

Fletcher Farrar is editor and owner of Illinois Times.

50th Anniversary special section

Beginning on page 13 is our anniversary section, with articles by three who were in the "room where *IT* happened" 50 years ago: Bill Friedman, founding publisher; Alan Anderson, founding editor; and Jim Krohe, contributing editor. These are followed by our "Gallery of Covers," seven pages of *Illinois Times* covers, one for each of the years the newspaper has been published.

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UIS Innovation Center opens in Horace Mann building

Innovate Springfield expands space, services

BUSINESS | Catherine O'Connor

The third floor of Horace Mann's modernist glass and steel tower in downtown Springfield is now home to the University of Illinois Springfield Innovation Center, which includes the Innovate Springfield business incubator.

"Our move to this strategic location will enable us to bring more people into our innovation ecosystem, including students, faculty, corporate partners, community civic organizations and entrepreneurs," said Rob Kerr, UIS director of innovation and opportunity.

Innovate Springfield had previously operated out of space at 15 Old State Capitol Plaza. Its parent organization, Innovate Illinois, was founded in 2014 by an alliance of civic organizations and became part of UIS in 2018. The university announced in December 2022 that it planned to open the Innovation Center in 2025, although it was originally slated to be located at 401 E. Washington St., a three-story building UIS owns.

UIS has not commented on what, if any, plans it now has for the former Illinois Sheriff's Association building, but the university signed a 2.5-year lease for 9,800 square feet in the Horace Mann building to allow for the launch of the Innovation Center.

Innovate Springfield currently supports more than 60 members, including students, solo entrepreneurs and businesses incubating companies or leading innovative projects. It became the first hub of the Illinois Innovation Network, an initiative led by the University of Illinois System, to accelerate statewide job creation and economic development through research and collaboration. The incubator partners with UIS faculty and students as well as with IIN hubs throughout the state and Chicago-based Discovery Partners Institute, which focuses on tech industry research, development and training.

"Built on a solid structure and rigorous academic standards, Innovate Springfield is one hub of the Illinois Innovation Network, offering programming to nurture foundational ideas and start-up enterprises," Kerr said.

He is passionate about the move and stressed the opportunities for community engagement and rich user experience.

"UIS has always known we need to be a place beyond the classroom to meet the community where they are. As the only publicly traded company in Springfield, Horace Mann represents a bridge to industry and business that helps start-ups envision a kind of professional success," Kerr said.



Left to right: Rob Kerr, UIS director of innovation and opportunity; Ben Hage, director of Innovate Springfield; and Scott Germeraad, UIS associate director of entrepreneurship are pictured in Innovate Springfield's new space on the third floor of Horace Mann. PHOTO BY ZACH ADAMS

Innovate Springfield's enlarged office includes areas for "open desk" drop-in members plus dedicated desks and private offices, along with better and larger conference and classroom spaces. In addition, Kerr said members will be able to utilize the same benefits as Horace Mann's 300 onsite employees, such as access to the cafeteria, common areas, Wi-Fi, 24-hour secure badge access and parking.

"Horace Mann sees it as a great partnership with two great institutions in this community – from their CEO on down – with a goal of bringing more people into the innovation ecosystem," Kerr said.

Regional businesses, nonprofits and community organizations can utilize conference rooms and individual memberships that run month-to-month or rent co-working spaces on a daily basis. White noise can be turned on and off in zones so that conversations and meetings are not disruptive.

With an increase in office space, plus a shared auditorium and common areas,

Innovate Springfield now can offer off-campus opportunities for classes and working cohorts. The organization recently hosted a Falling Walls fast-paced pitch competition for college and post-graduate early career innovators from innovation hubs across the state. The winner was named the 2025 Illinois Young Innovator of the Year and will attend a science summit in Berlin, Germany, to compete in the Falling Walls Lab global finale.

Students from area high schools will also utilize the new space. Scott Germeraad, UIS associate director of entrepreneurship, leads the Sangamon CEO program, where high school seniors meet before school each day to learn about business development and entrepreneurship.

Innovate Springfield also partners with community organizations such as the Community Foundation for the Land of Lincoln and Springfield-Sangamon County Growth Alliance as well as the Illinois Office of Medicaid Innovation, an academic think tank

that launches research programming through the university to serve state agencies.

The new space will also host some public programs, such as the "how to" user-friendly AI training that Kerr plans to offer for not just members, but individuals and small businesses in the community as well.

Daniel Reifenberger, CEO of Loyal Tribe, a B2B online text message and marketing company, has been a member of Innovate Springfield since 2023. The business was founded in 2017 with a business partner in Colorado, where Reifenberger experienced the University of Colorado startup hub community with its global tech bootcamps and co-working incubation spaces. To him, the new Innovate Springfield location feels like a space where innovation takes place.

"First of all, it's the sunlight and open space where you can have a conversation without getting in the way of someone else," he said. "Everybody can kind of pick their own corner and have their own space. Or if you wanted to have a larger networking event, presentation or pitching, it has the capacity for that as well."

Because most of Reifenberger's clients are spread throughout the U.S., Australia and Europe, he works with a stable of remote writing and design contractors.

"I would say the biggest thing for me is that running a business is kind of lonely. So it's always nice to have people who also own businesses and have that camaraderie and be able to talk about things that other folks in your life may not really understand," he said.

Another of Innovate Springfield's inaugural partner members is Krasan, Inc., which has headquarters in Lisle and offices in Chicago and contracts with the state of Illinois. Vice president Steve Peralta said that the company leases office space for half a dozen key employees and 40 to 50 rotating employees who work with various aspects of IT support services.

"Aesthetically, it's a great work location, but now there's also more space. For us, we can bring our consultants here to collaborate, we can actually host our clients for discussions and for meetings. And it's also a great place to interview prospective employees and students from UIS," Peralta said.

"We are actually going to be offering our skill sets, our leadership – educating people on things such as AI and connecting with the community to help them evolve their business needs. So it's really more than just a financial arrangement; we are invested in Springfield," he said. □

Upcoming Innovate Springfield events

UIS Founders Day, a kickoff collaboration with 2025 Founders Week at the University of Illinois Champaign Urbana, will be held from 8 a.m.-7 p.m. on Oct. 7. Experience Springfield history, network with founders and investors, experience demos from health care organizations and enjoy a keynote and panel discussion highlighting the need for collaboration with government to leverage venture capital in Illinois to realize our potential in underserved communities.

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State raises health insurance rates

Drastic health care cost increases coming next year

INSURANCE | Dilpreet Raju

The Illinois Department of Insurance finalized rates for 2026 health insurance premiums this month, exercising a new right to modify premium adjustments proposed by companies issuing small group or individual insurance plans through the Affordable Care Act.

Surprisingly, most premiums filed by insurers increased after the state's review, including nearly all remaining Affordable Care Act marketplace rates in Sangamon County. Architects of the state law that created rate reviews, including state Sen. Laura Fine, said they hoped the law would lead to lower monthly premium costs. The law gives the Department of Insurance the authority to disapprove or modify proposed adjustments for upcoming "unreasonable rate increases or inadequate rates."

"It begins in 2026, when our marketplace is going to be run by the state, versus the federal government," Fine told The Evanston Roundtable last year. "By putting rate review in place, we're hoping that we're going to see a reduction in the price of premiums moving forward, when this is all implemented."

The Department of Insurance enlisted the consulting agency Risk & Regulatory Consulting, at the cost of \$500,000, to review the rates, though the filings state "the ultimate decision regarding the reasonability of the filed rates is determined by the (Illinois Department of Insurance)."

What is rate review and how does it work?

In 2023, the Illinois General Assembly passed a law allowing the state's Department of Insurance to modify or deny proposed premium rate increases from health insurers

for small business and individual plans.

Pennsylvania, which only has about 300,000 more people than Illinois, used its rate review authority last year to decrease a large share of premium rates that insurers were seeking to charge recipients of various individual and small group plans.

The Pennsylvania Insurance Department had the authority to review rates for 30 individual and small group insurance plans, ultimately lowering 21 of them.

Insurers submit their proposed premium adjustments to the state health department – considering various demographic and geographic factors that play into setting health insurance rates – which then has the ability to review the companies' proposals before accepting, denying or modifying the monthly rate charged to its citizens.

Understanding marketplace insurance and tax credits

The U.S. has long had the most expensive health care system in the world, which some argue is only getting more expensive due to the explosion of expensive weight loss drugs.

For people under the age of 65, most rely on a job to provide health insurance from private insurers. For those with special circumstances or the inability to work, government-funded Medicaid becomes an option.

The marketplace established by the Affordable Care Act provides another avenue to health care for those who work jobs without the benefit of insurance but make too much money to qualify for Medicaid. Almost half a million Illinoisans enrolled in those types of plans last year, with more than



100,000 new beneficiaries.

The Affordable Care Act also created more provisions to push small businesses – defined as having fewer than 50 employees – to insure their workers.

However, tax credits that made these marketplace plans reasonably affordable, according to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, are set to expire at the end of the year. Almost 400,000 people on marketplace insurance in Illinois qualified for those credits, saving recipients an average of more than \$500 per month, according to KFF.

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

The Department of Insurance, in its 2026 rate announcement, cited – and criticized – the federal budget as the main reason for rates dramatically increasing and said the expiration of those tax credits "is anticipated to result in a significant number of uninsured Americans."

Gov. JB Pritzker, along with 17 other Democrat governors, signed a letter to congressional leaders in both the House and Senate last week urging Congress to extend the tax credits.

"If they expire, premiums will rise by thousands of dollars for many families, millions will lose coverage, and people will be forced to make impossible choices between paying for health care, rent or groceries. Hard-working American families, older Americans not yet on Medicare, small business owners, and rural communities – where marketplace coverage is often the only option – will be hit the hardest," the letter states. "If Congress acts quickly, states can lock in lower premiums and spare families a wave of sticker shock this fall. If not, the damage will be felt for years."

Get Covered Illinois, the state's health insurance marketplace, has a frequently asked questions webpage about changes to finding insurance next year. Starting Oct. 1, Get Covered Illinois will have a customer assistance center to answer consumer questions.

Open enrollment begins Nov. 1 and ends Jan. 15, 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. □

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SPD to stick with Flock Safety

Two other cities cancel contracts after state audit raises concerns

LAW ENFORCEMENT | Scott Reeder

In the wake of a state audit showing Illinois license plate reader data being shared with federal immigration authorities – in violation of state law – the city of Springfield plans to stay the course with the technology and the company involved.

The audit's findings resulted in Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias demanding that Flock Safety stop sharing data with the feds. Founded in 2017, the manufacturer of security hardware and software operates automated license plate recognition, video surveillance and gunfire locator systems under contract with law enforcement agencies, neighborhood associations and private property owners. Flock Safety claims to operate in more than 5,000 communities nationwide and perform over 20 billion scans of vehicles every month.

Automated license-plate reading, or ALPR, systems are devices with cameras that are installed at traffic intersections and on police cars. They scan license plates and can be used to create databases to investigate crimes or to locate fugitives.

Giannoulias called on local police departments to reexamine their agreements with Flock and what access they grant other agencies to information collected by their ALPR cameras.

The state's Trust Act restricts law enforcement in Illinois with collaborating with federal authorities – including Immigration and Customs Enforcement – on immigration issues without a court warrant. Illinois law also prohibits license plate data from being shared with other states that are enforcing laws against abortion.

On June 10, Giannoulias announced

his office would conduct a statewide audit following reports that Texas police performed a nationwide search of more than 83,000 license plate reader cameras to locate a woman they said had a self-administered abortion. His office said cameras located in Illinois were included in the search, and the audit also found 262 searches for immigration issues through Flock cameras placed in Mount Prospect in suburban Cook County.

But no change in policy is anticipated in how Springfield uses automatic license plate readers.

"ALPRs are on the cutting-edge of technological advancement of public safety," Police Chief Joe Behl told *Illinois Times* in an emailed statement. "The Springfield Police Department has leveraged this technology to its fullest and has seen great results in closing cases and solving crimes because of it."

The Springfield City Council approved a two-year contract with Flock Safety in December 2021 under former Mayor Jim Langfelder's administration. At that time, 83 license-plate reader cameras were installed citywide and the council agreed to pay \$207,000 per year.

In contrast, the Chicago suburbs of Evanston and Oak Park have responded to the state audit by seeking to end their relationships with Flock.

Evanston recently deactivated all 19 of its Flock cameras and stopped collecting data.

"The findings of the Illinois Secretary of State's audit, combined with Flock's admission that it failed to establish distinct permissions and protocols to ensure local compliance while running a pilot program



with federal users, are deeply troubling. As a result, the city has deactivated the cameras and issued a termination notice to Flock, effective Sept. 26, 2025," the city of Evanston said in a prepared statement.

Holly Beilin, a representative of Flock, told *IT* that it is contesting Evanston's decision on the grounds that it violates its contract with the firm.

The audit found some Illinois information had been shared with U.S. Customs and Border Protection. But Beilin said that information may have been used by the federal agency to investigate human trafficking or some matter other than civil immigration enforcement.

Behl declined to comment on whether restrictions on such data sharing are good public policies. But he added Springfield does not share its license-plate data with federal agencies.

In the wake of the audit, Flock has paused its pilot program with U.S. Customs and Border Protection and other federal agencies, not only in Illinois but nationwide, Giannoulias said.

"This sharing of license plate data of motorists who drive on Illinois roads is a clear violation of the state law. This law passed two years ago aimed to strengthen how data is shared and prevent this exact thing from happening," Giannoulias said.

Beilin said Flock did not violate the law.

She said the law enforcement agencies own the data collected. And if data is inappropriately shared between police departments, that is their responsibility, Beilin said.

The data-sharing component poses significant problems because some law enforcement agencies behave more responsibly than others, said Ed Yohnka, spokesperson for the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois.

"Readers are a powerful surveillance tool that lets you literally follow or monitor hundreds and thousands of people in a municipality like Springfield. And they often don't come with any of the attendant privacy policies that are necessary for that kind of tool," Yohnka said.

"You can say as a municipality: 'We are only going to use these devices for these criminal activities, (such as investigating) gun crimes.' The problem is, if you are sharing this data with other communities, your privacy policy is only as good as whatever the weakest link is in that chain," he said. □

Scott Reeder, a staff writer for *Illinois Times*, can be reached at sreeder@illinoistimes.com.

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NEED RESIDENTS

If you want to revive downtown, you need a base of downtown residents (Springfield City Council SeeGov highlight reel, Sept. 2). The downtown merchants can't rely on only tourist traffic. The Wyndham hotel tower, converted into condos and apartments, would create a solid, reliable base of daily foot traffic for blocks around. Whether it's a rehabbed Wyndham or a whole new apartment building, you need people living downtown to get people shopping downtown.

It's not clear that additional hotel rooms would make a difference at this point versus a residential base – times have changed and travel

patterns with them. A downtown college campus or apartment block would be a better economic driver than a larger hotel.

Mark Suszko
Via Facebook.com/illinoistimes

NEED APARTMENTS

It will cost more than \$100 million to rehab the Wyndham and get it going again. No restaurant will move in there. That used to be a premier spot, but those days are gone. Turn it into apartments or tear it down. I never thought I'd see my hometown without the Forum 30, but here we are.

Doyle Hargraves
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LOOK FOR WINS

I was pleased to read that a local family is reopening a restaurant downtown. In light of the narrative



In this screenshot from July 19, 2022, Springfield City Council meeting, Tower Capital owner and general manager Al Rajabi encourages council members to grant zoning approval that would have allowed a New York-based development company to buy Wyndham Springfield City Centre hotel, renovate the building and convert it into mostly market-rate apartments. The zoning request failed.

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that “downtown is dying,” one would think the comments on social media would be all positive. They mostly were, but a handful of the usual suspects just had to find fault with this restaurant’s business plans. What miserable people!

I am beginning to wonder if Springfield’s problems are not pathological in nature. Perhaps the problem is not that downtown is dying or that the city council and mayor aren’t doing enough. Maybe some of the problem is that we have a “glass half-empty” outlook instead of taking stock of what we do have. I think Springfield needs to start celebrating the wins. This isn’t to say I am oblivious to the real challenges. However, the real challenges have less capacity for resolution when we find fault with everything else. There is only so much bandwidth to go around for solving problems, and the real ones need all the attention we can give them.

If you need some examples of wins, let’s think about the fact that we have a weekly alternative newspaper in Springfield when many cities have none. Or perhaps how local leaders are pushing for transformative projects that create a backbone for more wins: railroad relocation and the Third Street greenway project. Both projects will change how people get around, with the greenway providing the key to giving non-motorized travel a real chance to grow.

Social media is designed to amplify negativity. If we open our eyes and look for the wins, they are abundant. We need to start doing that so we can give the rest of our focus to resolving the real challenges.

Steven Simpson-Black
Springfield

OFFENSIVE ORDER

The executive order prohibiting

transgender individuals from serving in the military is predicated on a partisan “opinion” that such individuals are not worthy to “volunteer” for duty because they are “beyond the pale” of decency; i.e. morally corrupt (“Trump’s trans ban affects Chatham resident,” Sept. 4). To display such untoward callousness toward members of the military is an affront to all who serve.

Mary Donley
Springfield

GREAT IDEA

I had no idea this was in Springfield, but as a former classical headmaster, it’s great to see San Damiano leaning into (rather than avoiding) the humanities and the trades (“Learning trades and theology,” Sept. 4). Bravo, and kudos to *Illinois Times* for reporting it.

Craig Dunham
Springfield

Distraction

My sister Jo was a reader. With the family parked outside the post office Joan took the farm mail and never lifting her eyes from the page walked up the familiar steps, disappeared inside, reappeared, and still reading felt her way down to the car. We all watched as she reached for the handle and opened the car parked behind us. Its driver, also watching Jo’s progress, made a great show of falling out. Only then did Jo look up from the printed page. Much hilarity all around; I think even Jo had a rueful laugh!

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How we started *IT*

The founding editor on first steps

50th ANNIVERSARY | Alan Anderson

In 1968 I returned from three years in the Amazon and embarked on a path toward a career in science journalism.

I joined *Time* magazine as a science reporter, when I met Bill Friedman. After several years in New York, Bill and I began to feel restless and wondered what was happening in the rest of the country. He began talking to me about a return to his native Springfield, where he fantasized that we might be able to build a new model of journalism with more independence, breadth and roots in the local community.

Bill found a weekly paper called *Maine Times*, which he thought might be a model worth studying. This turned out to be true, and when he asked me to join him, I felt his excitement and quickly said yes.

Understandably, the Springfield Copley daily had little interest in helping us, and we hesitated to challenge an outfit with such deep pockets and contracts with the advertisers we would need to survive. I shared his anxiety but agreed with Bill that we could offer a diverse mix of topics that would be more flexible, diverse and absorbing than we saw in “the competition.”

The issues we saw as crucial in the mid-70s included energy, agriculture, politics and education. We also saw a whole raft of local issues that brought to life a picture of downstate Illinois that had been ignored for many years. By downstate we meant anything that wasn't Chicago; where Athens is pronounced AY-thens, Berlin is pronounced BER-lin, and White Sox is pronounced Cubbies.

Building a staff

In many ways luck and people were on our side. Bill's father, Lester, opened many doors and cheered us on. Advertisers sensed our enthusiasm and bought space. We managed to rent a spacious house just down the street from the Lincoln home.

The space fit our needs perfectly, if tightly. The front room held writers and editors, while everyone else squeezed into the back, including Jessie Ewing's photo lab in the bathroom. New technology allowed us to use inexpensive phototypesetting equipment, and keyboard wizard Christine Skoczynski was able to typeset the entire paper each week. In his reliable Camaro, Bill drove the scissored proofs to Peoria for printing.



Alan Anderson, editor, in 1977, and, right, today at home in North Carolina

Inventing community journalism

On the editorial side, we were unhappy with the approach taken by the existing daily, which we found narrow and dry. We wanted to portray our part of the country as vibrant, diverse and optimistic. Our task was to seek out and describe these qualities for our readers.

First, we dug into dominant topics of the day: energy, agriculture, politics, education, health care, social issues, business.

Second, we focused on local aspects of these broad topics and how they affected our readers. For example, riffing through several of our early editions I saw articles on Springfield's first teachers' strike, Bloomington-Normal's experiment with metro-management, the reactions of Black families to busing, economic challenges posed by the first mega-mall in downstate, challenges of prison reform, early days of organic farming, traditions of Illinois patronage.

A third focus included more offbeat, heartwarming and sometimes heartbreaking views of downstate: the Athens State Championship Chilli cook-off, new ways to fight alcoholism, an 8-foot 11-inch-tall man called the Alton giant who literally didn't fit in; how to make burgoo (don't ask), 50 years

of selling worms and leeches, how to make moonshine in Ashland, why two brothers in Beardstown spent their lives trying to invent an airplane that flies vertically.

Our small editorial engine

Claudia Dowling led the way in our very third issue with a sensitive and humorous profile of Dick Durbin, now U.S. senator, as he literally took his first steps in a distinguished political career that endures to this day. It was no surprise to watch Claudia move on to a distinguished career with *Life* and *People* magazines.

I also found one of Victoria Pope's typically sensitive renderings that described the challenges faced by the last Black resident of Petersburg; Victoria went on to a leadership career at *National Geographic*.

Someone whose footprints are found throughout the work of the *IT* is historian and columnist Jim Krohe, a native of Springfield who has viewed his home region with affection and honesty for a long and successful career. His steady hand on the tiller has continued to keep us informed and honest.

Some of my warmest memories are the occasional calls from Bill's father, Lester, a quiet, amused fan of *IT* goings-on. From

time to time, I would hear the familiar resonant voice calling to inform me that it was time for a “board meeting.” Of course there was no board, but we would meet for a sandwich and iced tea at Norb Andy's tavern to chat about great journalistic things to come.

I'd like to close by thanking Bud Farrar for all he has done not only to keep *IT* alive in a time of journalistic peril but, more broadly, to play an important role in defining and practicing community journalism. □

After Illinois Times, Alan Anderson moved to North Carolina and became editor of a different kind of weekly, the Madison County News-Record. After leaving that paper, he spent most of a year hiking about half the Appalachian Trail. He gave in to a long-time urge to drive a commercial truck, taking a challenging all-country job with J. B. Hunt. He retired from “JB” and returned to freelance writing for several years, then struck up a rewarding relationship with the director of the Institute for Advanced Study, working for him on a variety of writing projects for several decades. This work led to related assignments for the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C. Currently he is retired and living in Asheville, North Carolina.



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Planting a new paper for Springfield

The founding publisher on the beginning of *IT*

50th ANNIVERSARY | William Friedman

I grew up in a Springfield dominated by the *Journal* and *Register* (later the *Journal-Register*). Not only in newspaper terms but sociopolitically as well.

The paper was owned and directed from San Diego by Jim Copley and his Copley Press, a very conservative operation. It was a classic case of absentee ownership. The *J-R* had a stranglehold on Springfield-area print advertisers, with frequent rate increases. And its publishers (Jack Clarke during the early *IT* years) were major cogs in the Republican machine which dominated much of the capital city's politics.

Copley not only fended off second newspaper attempts to invade his turf – there had been 20-some through the years – he crushed them. Nonetheless, or maybe because of the situation, I had the dream since high school of returning to Springfield to launch an alternative newspaper.

In the mid-1970s, I left a career as a correspondent with *Time* magazine to do that. I returned to Springfield with too little money and moved in with my parents. A week later I packed my car and spent two months on the road, visiting alternative newspaper publishers from Maine to Tennessee to northern Minnesota. They were all generous with time and information. I returned to Springfield with a plan.

I then met Barb Donohue, who had a fine reputation as a graphic designer and later became *IT*'s first make-up editor. Barb put together a series of “story boards,” which developed the paper's design, sections, etc. – and I began six months of taking them around to possible advertisers, attempting to sell advertising space in a nonexistent newspaper in a tough media market.

I also took every public and private speaking opportunity I could find to talk about the plan. All the service clubs (Rotary, Lions, etc.) and church groups, including “Presby Pairs” at First Presbyterian. Any group that would listen, and many in time wanted to. I began to feel perhaps I had hit a chord.

My advertising pitch was simple. “Our rates are very low, but if we succeed,” I suggested, “the *J-R* will be less inclined to continue squeezing you.” So, in so many words, “Throw us a bone.” The pitch appealed. At the end of four or five months I had enough signed ad contracts to take us through the first year of publishing.



Bill Friedman, left, as the first *Illinois Times* issue came off the press, Sept. 18, 1975. Right, Friedman at home recently in Shelter Island, New York.

I took my stack of contracts to Bob Saner, president of the Marine Bank. On the strength of them (the Marine had earlier turned me down), the bank loaned me the money to buy (or lease, I can't remember which) our Compugraphic photo-offset typesetting equipment. This new way of setting newspaper type made it possible for us to enter the newspaper business. (Chris Skoczynski became our super-fast typesetter.) The bank also threw in a derelict house it held in an estate at 512 S. Eighth Street, two doors from the Lincoln home. (That on the proviso we would fix it up and install a new furnace.) I moved in above “the shop.” From then on, my phone line was an extension of the paper's. No call ever went unanswered, no matter when it came in.

Convinced we were “a go,” I began thinking about a partner and staff. The best advice I had received from publishers in my travels was, “If you want to be successful, you need to be the publisher, not the editor. Everyone wants to edit their own newspaper. But you need to be the head business guy and chief ad salesman. Find a good editor.” So I went to my friend Alan Anderson, a colleague from *Time* who was then science editor of *Saturday Review*. For some reason which I

have never fully understood, Alan agreed to come to Springfield. He was an extraordinary editor. Victoria Pope and Claudia Dowling followed. Photojournalist Jessie Ewing came out from Boston as *IT* photographer. Jessie set up our in-house photo processing lab/darkroom in one of the bathrooms. Then Penny Freeman joined the crew as advertising director, bringing on two additional ad salespeople. Alan began assembling writers and contributors.

About this time the *J-R* finally began to take notice and poured on the heat. For example, their ad guys began showing up at my service club presentations, shouting from the audience, “Don't pay any attention to him. He'll never succeed.” Looking for a printer at that point, no one in the Springfield area would even talk to me. The *J-R* had printing business with all of them. I was forced to go as far away as Peoria to find a printer. Which meant driving our layout sheets to Peoria weekly (in dead of winter, a real trial), to have the presses rolling for our four-a.m. slot, so I could then drive the printed paper back to Springfield for mailing by noon. It was an ordeal.

But the more the *J-R* pushed, the more I

thought we were on the right track. This was confirmed when *J-R* publisher Jack Clarke suggested I pay him a visit. Very cordial. Jack offered me the job of assistant *J-R* publisher at an interesting salary.

I wanted our inaugural edition to come out at the beginning of the lucrative Thanksgiving-to-Christmas advertising season. When the first *IT* issue appeared, it was jammed with Springfield's blue-chip advertisers. We never looked back. In every single month thereafter, we operated in the black. Granted, paying ridiculously low salaries and sharing phone lines. But we had a great esprit de corps. And, I think, a feeling of family. Those were heady days. I enjoyed every one of them. Especially when I could catch up on my sleep. □

Following the sale of Illinois Times, Bill left Springfield for the Middle East to work as a “stringer” (freelance reporter) for several publications, including the Boston Globe. He returned to New York to become trustee and director of a North American philanthropic foundation. Bill retired in 1998 to Shelter Island, New York, where he was an active open water sailor. Today Bill divides his time between Shelter Island and Klosters, Switzerland.

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Fuddy-duddies

We wanted to make Springfield better, not different

50th ANNIVERSARY | James Krohe Jr.

It was no internet in terms of its impact on communications but in the 1960s and '70s cheap web offset printing allowed anyone who had a gripe, a dream or even just an itch they needed to scratch to "put out a paper." All you needed was some rubber cement and a typewriter and an exaggerated sense of your own importance. In the 1970s and early '80s such "newspapers" popped up around Springfield like weeds after a spring rain – the *Spectrum*, *Pure News USA*, *Atlantis*, *The Phoenix*, *Focus*, *Citizen*.

I started two of those papers and wrote for a third, so I knew a doomed newspaper when I saw one. Such appeared to be *Illinois Times*, which blossomed in the fall of 1975. It had real journalists who were paid (barely) and had an office but the sign out front was hand-painted and it could afford only one telephone. I figured it would be dead by the time the ducks headed back north, lamented only by whoever loaned it money.

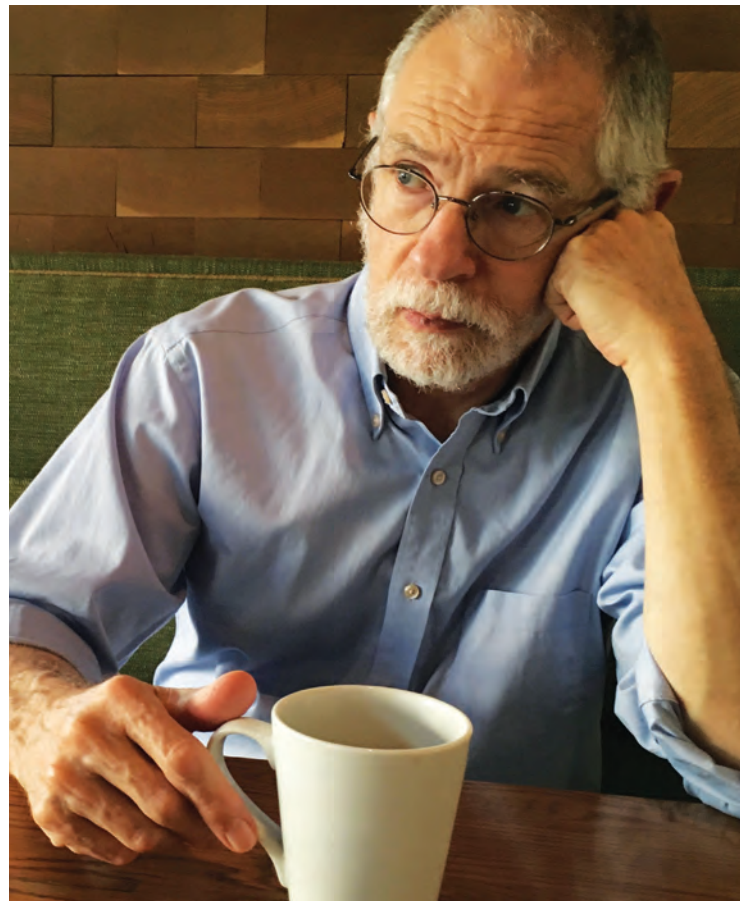
Which just goes to show what I know. Since 1975 *IT* has published not just more consecutive issues than any of its contemporary papers but more than any newspaper in the state capital save the *State Journal-Register* and its predecessor papers, which had a 144-year head start and (since the 1920s) the California wealth of the Copley Press behind them.

Ever since the days of the *Sangamo Journal* in 1831, newspapers in Springfield were created to back a faction, to push a party line, to carry a flag, to settle a grudge. *IT*'s program, to the extent we had one, was not to boost party or money as conventional dailies did. Nor were our editorial preoccupations radical or hippy or caustic like most other alternative weeklies. (A place less imbued with the spirits of rock and dope can't be imagined.) We were progressive improvers in the old-fashioned sense of those terms. We were not exactly fuddy-duddies but it would not be too far wrong to say that *IT* was alternative to the *SJ-R* in the way that a left shoe is an alternative to the right.

We wanted to make Springfield better, in short, not different. Of course, to abet change a paper has to be paid attention to by influentials. But who are the influentials in a city this size? In his first editorial, Alan Anderson Jr., announced his hope that the nascent *Illinois Times* community would attract the town's "best people," that is people who are active, involved, curious and



This caricature appeared over Jim Krohe's regular *Illinois Times* column, "Prejudices," in the 1970s. Right, a contemporary photo of James Krohe Jr.



concerned. As this paper saw it, then, the city's best people included not only the likes of aldermen and county board presidents but that nice, retired lady who planted a flower patch on her sidewalk that inspired her neighbors to do the same.

Such people have never constituted a majority of the citizens of Springfield but then such people are not a majority in any polity larger than a Kiwanis Club. Happily they often are a majority of this neighborhood group or that advisory panel or this other civic group. Unknown to each other (mostly) these people meet, as it were, when they gather in front of our pages over breakfast or in the waiting room. The newspaper thus defines the boundaries of their own private Springfield. While they are visiting us, they enjoy the pleasure of believing that Springfield is a more cosmopolitan place where racial and social and economic justice matters. That the pages of *IT* sometimes seem to be the only place in which

they matter makes us worth all the more.

Editorial manifestos are hopes more than promises and some of ours were disappointed. "We see ourselves as members not of one city, or one county, but of all the downstate region," we hymned in the debut issue. "We are as concerned with Athens as with Zeigler; with Fancy Prairie as with Pleasant Plains." Alas, few of our Springfield readers were concerned with any of those places. But readers can't be interested in places they've never heard about so we will try harder to tell them. There's an agenda, if one is needed, for the next 50 years.

Any person who is now in her 70s and 80s will have learned that merely surviving for so many years is an accomplishment. But longevity by itself is not enough. The early *IT* made no rash promises to save this tiny corner of the world, or even improve it, merely to make it easier for the people who live here to improve it. Many readers who have been with

us since 1975 probably agree with us that while Springfield has gotten bigger it has not always grown. But we hope they also agree that while *Illinois Times* has gotten older, it has not sold out or given up. □

Beardstown-born and Springfield-raised, James Krohe Jr. contributed well over a thousand feature articles, reviews and essays of opinion to Illinois Times when not pursuing a career as magazine journalist and critic, specializing in such disparate fields as urban planning and Fortune 100 management. He was Illinois Times' contributing editor when it debuted in 1975 and served in that capacity on a half-dozen other magazines in New York, Chicago and Springfield. Illinois in all its aspects has been a recurring topic; the best of that work is available at The Corn Latitudes at www.jameskrohejr.com. Mr. Krohe also authored the prize-winning Corn Kings and One-Horse Thieves: A Plain-Spoken History of Mid-Illinois.

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The *Illinois Times* Gallery of Covers

50th ANNIVERSARY | Fletcher Farrar

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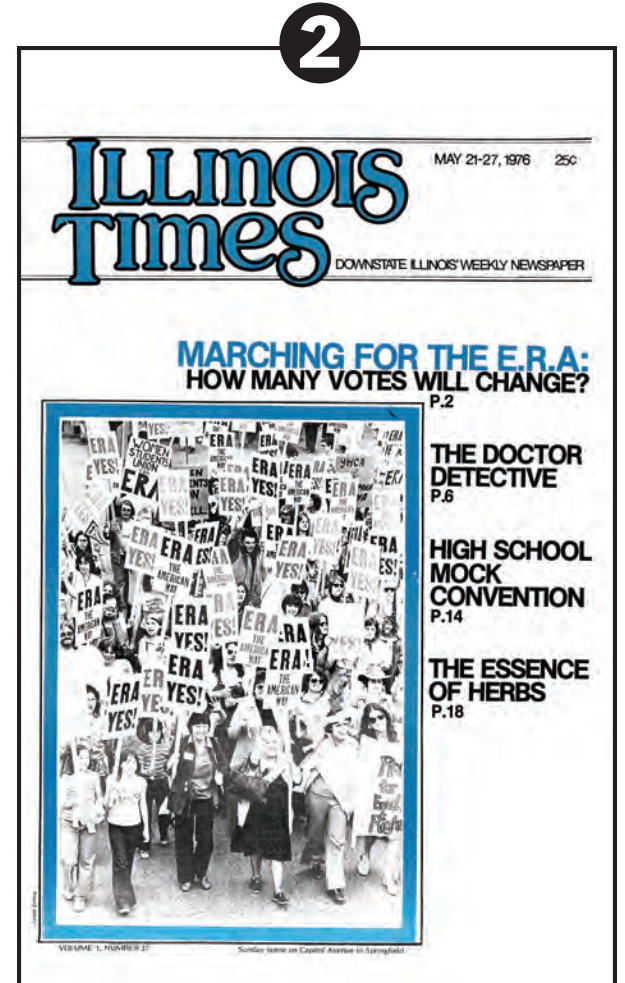
The covers we picked, one per year, weren't picked at random, but weren't chosen with great care either. Some were chosen for the artwork, some for subject matter, some to show signs of the times, others to show recurring themes. How many times has the cover story been about downtown, either rising or falling?

Our weekly cover story is our signature piece, with in-depth reporting, usually on an important topic. It gives reporters a chance to stretch their legs by writing long, using multiple sources, with the piece enhanced by carefully chosen photographs or illustrations. A snappy cover will increase the rate our readers snap up the paper from our newsracks.

Beyond the individual stories portrayed, this Gallery gives us a visual marker of how long *Illinois Times* has been around – especially when we consider that each cover here represents 51 more. That's 2,600 altogether. And this: When we first wrote about Dick Durbin running for office (see No. 1) he was 30 years old. Now he's 80, and retiring after next year from a long and successful career in Congress.



1 **October 2, 1975**, The third issue of *Illinois Times* featured “Dick Durbin’s First Race,” by founding staff writer Claudia Dowling. Durbin, 30 at the time, ran for the state Senate and lost to incumbent Republican John Davidson. In 1978, Durbin ran for lieutenant governor on a ticket with Michael Bakalis, and were defeated by incumbent Gov. James R. Thompson and his running mate, David C. O’Neal. In 1982, he ran for the 20th Congressional District seat against incumbent Republican Paul Findley. He served six terms in the U.S. House. In 1996 he was elected to the U.S. Senate seat vacated by retiring Paul Simon. Durbin was reelected to the Senate in 2002, 2008, 2014 and 2020. This year Durbin, now 80, announced he will not run for reelection in 2026.



2 **May 21-27, 1976**, “Marching for the E.R.A: How many votes will change?” Cover story by staff writers Claudia Dowling and Victoria Pope, cover photo by staff photographer Jessie Ewing. The answer to the headline question? Not enough. ERA failed that year in the Illinois Senate by seven votes.



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3 **October 21-27, 1977**, “Who really runs the *State Journal-Register*?”, cover story by William Friedman, publisher, cover photo of *SJ-R* publisher Jack Clarke by Jessie Ewing. A history of Springfield’s powerful daily, focusing on Jim and Helen Copley, owners, and Helen’s leadership of the company after her husband’s death in 1973.

4 **June 30-July 6, 1978**, “Rights for the mentally ill,” by staff writer H.B. Koplowitz described four bills proposed by the Governor’s Commission on Mental Health. “The four bills would take some authority away from psychiatrists and give more authority to the courts,” the story said. Accompanying photos were of residents in Argyle House, a Springfield residential facility run by the Illinois Association for Retarded Citizens.

5 **December 7-13, 1979**, “New money for old buildings” included hope for “Waking up downtown Springfield,” by associate editor James Krohe Jr. The article lauded the renovation and preservation work of Carolyn Oxtoby’s renovated Maldaner’s Restaurant. Cover art by William Crook Jr., who also did this week’s cover for the 50th anniversary issue, looked out on Sixth and Monroe, with The Sazarac restaurant sign beckoning pedestrians.

6 **November 7-13, 1980**, “Incest is real,” by Susan Strom Mogernan, *IT*’s calendar editor and regular contributor, told readers, “One child in every ten will be sexually abused. Incest is here and now.”

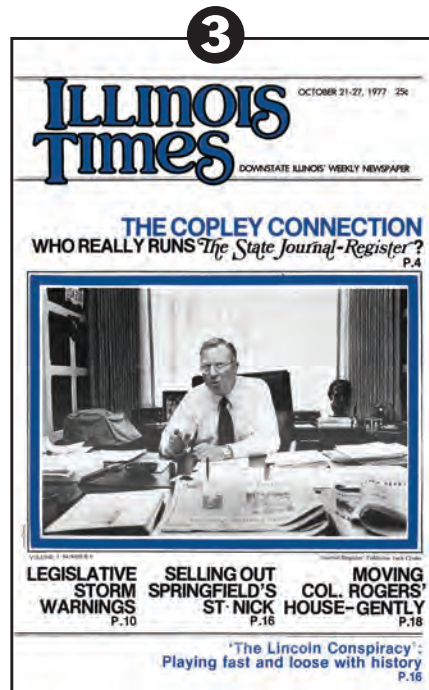
7 **August 6-12, 1981**, “The best state fair in our state,” cover story was illustrated by staff artist Susan Wise. It included articles by Susan Mogerman, Harold Henderson, Sandra Martin and Fletcher Farrar. Grandstand entertainment that year included Leon Russell, The Allman Brothers, Barbara Mandrell, Willie Nelson and The Beach Boys.

8 **February 18-24, 1982**, “Why she can’t get an abortion in Springfield,” by Fletcher Farrar, Jr., included as the inside headline “Maybe we’re all cowards,” a quote from a Springfield doctor who refused to challenge the local medical establishment nearly a decade after *Roe v. Wade* was decided. “As long as abortion is not part of the mainstream of medical services,” said LuAnn Atkins, who had been executive director of Planned Parenthood, “it still has some of the back-alley flavor to it.”

9 **June 2-8, 1983**, “Personal Computing: Illinois plugs in,” by Harold Henderson, included talk of the new “computer subculture” included comments by Springfield’s Randy von Liski, an early adopter. “I really feel we’re looking at the future,” he said. “We’re right at the start of something that will be just as big as the Industrial Revolution.”

10 **June 7-13, 1984**. The cover of our 56-page Summerguide featured original art of a romantic picnic with poetry and watermelon, by our in-house illustrator, production manager Susan Wise. For another Wise piece, see #7.

11 **May 2-8, 1985**. “Hard time: Life and death in the Sangamon County jail,” cover story by Donald Sevener and photos by Linda Smogor. The story included the Dec. 11, 1984, death of Dellina Arnold in a holding cell because she lay “virtually ignored” for 10 ½ hours while her jailers waited for her to sober up. Inside headlines asked, “What good will a new jail do? Before we build, shouldn’t we ask what jail is for?”



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12 Aug. 7-13, 1986. “Street life: How the homeless make do in Springfield.” Another collaboration, with the article by Don Sevener and photos by Linda Smogor. Several of those profiled lived at the then-derelict Grand Hotel at 109 North Seventh St., which one described as “a terrible place but at least it’s a place to live.” The building, which 69 men and women then called home, is now the office of the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau.

13 April 16-22, 1987. “Look who’s talking about ethics: Gov. James Thompson’s ten-year record of dubious dealings,” by Donald Sevener, cover illustration by Dick Paulus, including cartoons by Bill Campbell, Campbell Cartoon Service. The piece took a rare close look at the popular governor and media darling who, over the years, had paid his daughter’s babysitters with campaign funds, accepted free flights from businesses regulated by the state, and billed the state for vacation expenses.

14 Aug. 4-10, 1988. “Nuclear dump: Why did the Nuclear Regulatory Commission fire one of its toughest plant inspectors?” by Harold Henderson. Leonard McGregor, who had been resident inspector at Commonwealth Edison’s Dresden nuclear power station, was let go after, it seems, he got a little too good at his job.

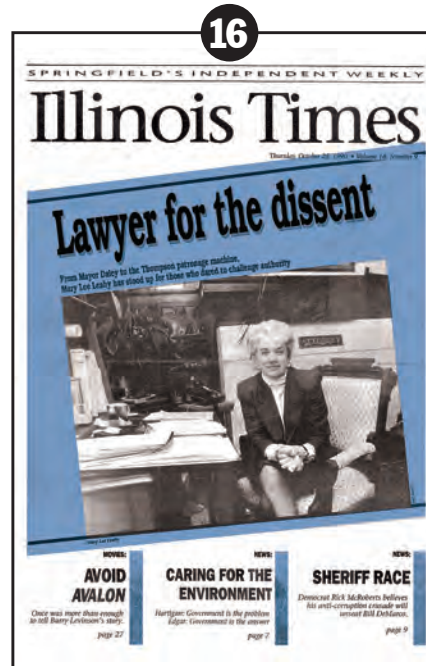
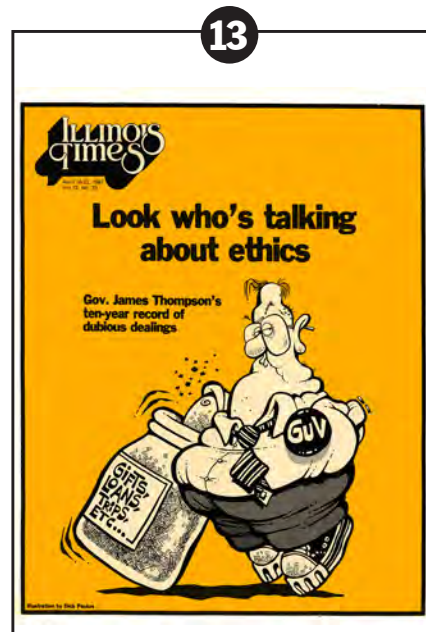
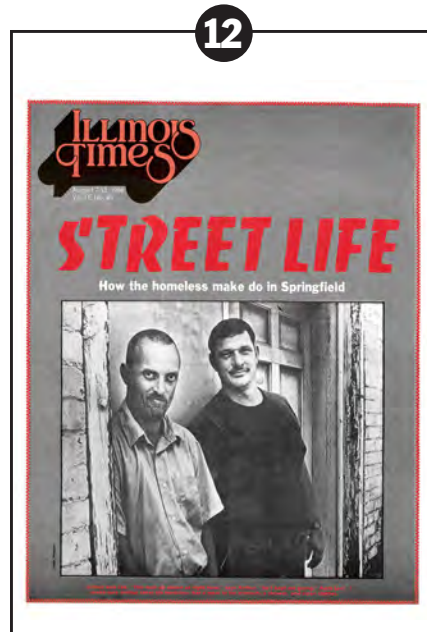
15 Oct. 19, 1989. “Downfall of a neighborhood: How Evergreen Terrace became Evergreen Terror,” by Bill Kemp, photos by Ken Burnette, traced the history of the east side housing project from a stable working class neighborhood called Garden Court to a federally subsidized low-income development, riddled by crime and drugs. Frank McNeil, Ward 2 alderman, told *IT*, “There is a complete lack of stability, there are no father figures, no families. . . . Nobody expected it to develop into this.”

16 Oct. 25, 1990. “Lawyer for the dissent: Mary Lee Leahy has stood up for those who dared to challenge authority,” by Tom Teague. A profile of the one-time protégé of Gov. Dan Walker and head of DCFCS who became a prominent Springfield attorney, eventually defeating the patronage system by winning the January 1990 *Rutan* decision by the U. S. Supreme Court. Leahy died in 2012.

17 May 16, 1991. “Introducing Springpatch, Our New Weekly Feature,” with cover art by Robert Waldmire, the Rochester artist, VW bus-driving, Rt. 66 enthusiast whose art graced these pages numerous times. The new Springpatch section promised to tell readers about Springfield in ways that will “make you think, make you laugh and make you shake your head with disbelief, distraction or dismay,” wrote Don Sevener, editor. The new section lasted into 1993.

18 March 12, 1992. “A woman’s place is in the Senate: Carol Moseley Braun seeks to bring diversity to the nation’s most exclusive male club,” by Bill Steinbacher-Kemp, staff writer. *IT*’s campaign profile acknowledged that Braun “is given scant chance” of winning the Democratic nomination and the Senate seat. “But if she does, she would speak for millions whose voice is rarely heard in the ol’ boys’ club.” In the primary she defeated incumbent Alan Dixon and won the fall general election to become the first Black woman to serve in the U.S. Senate.

19 Feb. 18, 1993. “How did these women strike it rich? They’re THE BEARDSTOWN LADIES,” by Russell Stare, with photos by Terry Farmer. “Those Wall-Street whiz kids, the Beardstown Ladies, made a 59 percent return on their investments in 1991. Just for fun.” This Cass County investment club became a media sensation, with three appearances on “CBS This Morning,” and the *Illinois Times* cover story.






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20 Feb. 24, 1994. “Paul Simon’s balancing act: The debate for a balanced budget amendment has begun. The outcome could make the bow tie the national symbol for fiscal responsibility,” by Gayle Worland.

21 Sept. 21, 1995. “Murder on Stevenson Drive: On Thanksgiving Day, 1994, Charlie Blair was found beaten and he later died. A trial last month exposed the chaotic events that led to his death.” Article by staff writer Jolonda Young, with illustrations by Jim Edwards. The full story of the trial, which ended Aug. 4, 1995, with the jury finding Todd Blasko, 23, guilty of first-degree murder.

22 Sept. 5, 1996. “A big stink: Large hog operations are the latest battleground for the environment and the future of family farms,” by Jeff Ignatius. The article explained, “Although the environmental aspects of large livestock facilities have hogged the spotlight, this is also a political struggle about economics, the future of small-scale agriculture, and the quality of rural life.” This was the first of many *IT* articles over several years on CAFOs, Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations.

23 Oct. 2, 1997. “Vacant, but full of life: The John Hay homes are coming down, but the people who lived there left their mark,” photos and haiku by Judy Spencer, text by Jeff Ignatius, on remnants of life – graffiti, children’s art on walls, phonograph records, the book *Think and Grow Rich* – left behind as demolition proceeds on the 600-unit public housing complex built 1940-42.

24 Sept. 17-23, 1998. “Man’s best friend?: A biting commentary challenges a canine stereotype,” by Jeanette Batz, staff writer for *Riverfront Times* in St. Louis, where the story first appeared. The article details an epidemic of dog bites. More than 450 dog bites were reported in Sangamon County in 1997. A sidebar by William Furry, editor, “No bad dogs,” reported that of the 21,078 dogs registered in Sangamon County, only about 2 percent became biters. David Dodd, a dog trainer, complained, “Not enough people are getting their dogs trained.”

25 Sept. 9-15, 1999. “Tom’s thumb: The wizardry of Tom Martin, master gardener to three governors,” story and photos by Ginny Lee. A profile of Tom Martin, gardener at the Executive Mansion since 1984. “A garden is only as good as its gardener,” Martin said. “It’s like a symphony, only as good as its members and its director.”

26 June 22-28, 2000. “Jamming with Jane: A conversation with central Illinois’ queen of gospel-jazz,” an interview by William Furry with Jane Hartman. Still active in the Springfield music scene, Jane Hartman Irwin is currently music director of Blessed Sacrament church.

27 Sept. 13-19, 2001. “What now?” Two days after the attack on the World Trade Center, *IT* pulled together three short articles – a personal account on counseling and conversation, “Soothing our souls,” by Janeen Burkholder, “To help, to learn,” a listing of resources by Dominic Jesse, and a reflection, “America: hurt and confused,” by Pete Sherman, editor. “I felt compelled to offer ways we can wrestle with the meaning of what happened,” Sherman wrote, “without immediately resorting to revenge and violent retaliation.”

28 Dec. 5-11, 2002. “Fed up, frustrated, focused: Four members of the mayor’s task force on race relations talk about the fruitless quest for equality,” by Dusty Rhodes. A conversation with present and former task force members, Monica Chyn, Baker Siddiquee, Victor Juarez, and Larry Golden. In this discussion, the main topic was frustration with the lack of minority and diversity hiring in the city police and fire departments.



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29 Feb. 6-12, 2003. "Dis-integration: Twenty-six years after school desegregation, race remains a problem for District 186. That's just one problem," by Pete Sherman, dealt with the continued racial segregation of schools. "A sort of resegregation in the city has taken place, mostly because white families have moved closer to the city limits," Sherman wrote.

30 Feb. 19-25, 2004. "Anchor away: After devoting nearly 30 years to WICS, Don Hickman now is one of broadcasting's harshest critics," by Bud Bartlett. Hickman, the retired former anchor, complained that corporate owner, Sinclair Broadcasting, "calls most of the shots," and "You have fewer and fewer experienced journalists anymore, either anchoring or reporting the news."

31 March 3-9, 2005. "The survivor: Her rape changed Springfield. For the first time, she tells her story," by Dusty Rhodes. "It was [Renatta] Frazier's story, not the rape, that occupied the attention of the city from January 2002, . . . through April 2004, when the city paid Frazier and her attorney almost \$1 million to settle her lawsuit." The story of Jane Doe, rape victim, is reported here. "Everybody's making Renatta Frazier look like the victim here, and she's not the victim," Jane says. "I am."

32 April 6-12, 2006. "Culture wars: A clash of gays and conservatives makes for interesting times at UIS," by R.L. Nave, staff writer. As gay students celebrated National Coming Out Day, the Society of Conservative Students decided to throw a "Support Traditional Marriage" rally, and someone wrote with chalk on the sidewalk, "Be straight. It's great." The clash went on from there.

33 July 12-18, 2007. "A matter of perspective: Freshman alderman Gail Simpson's fresh take on Springfield," by Dusty Rhodes. "As the lone African American council member, first black female alderman, and the successor to Frank McNeil . . . she carries a powerful symbolic burden whether she wants to or not," Rhodes wrote. Simpson: "Sitting back and watching stuff happen - I'm not comfortable with that."

34 April 10-16, 2008. "The payday loan trap: Lawmakers try to close a loophole that left Illinoisans vulnerable to predatory lenders," by R.L. Nave. Payday lenders have been able to circumvent the 2005 Payday Loan Reform Act. Citizen Action/Illinois told *IT*, "The industry has driven a Mack truck through a giant loophole in the Payday Loan Reform Act."

35 July 30-Aug. 5, 2009. "Re-visioning Springfield: Introducing new urbanism to the capital city," by R.L. Nave. "The capital city is brimming with grand ideas about how to grow the city's core and push back against sprawl," began the article about recent design plans. A rendering showed an apartment building and a multi-level restaurant replacing the parking lot west of the Myers Building at Fourth and Washington. Another showed new small houses and "pocket parks" within the Mid-Illinois Medical District. The article asked, "So why hasn't anything happened yet?"

36 Dec. 9-16, 2010. "Tracks on 10th: Will consolidating three rail lines divide the city or bring it together?," by staff writer Patrick Yeagle. The Springfield Rail Corridor Study report outlined three options to accommodate doubling of rail activity through Springfield by 2020: 1. Double-tracking the Third Street rail corridor, 2. Moving Third Street rails to 10th Street, 3. Combining Third Street and 19th Street tracks on 10th Street.





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37 Jan. 13-19, 2011. “Weighed down: A struggling parent company creates tension at the *State Journal-Register*,” by Patrick Yeagle. The beginning of the Springfield daily’s demise was in April 2007, when Gatehouse Media purchased it from Copley Press, part of a package deal that included eight other papers owned by Copley, which sold together for \$380 million. Soon after, advertising revenues nationwide tanked, leaving Gatehouse struggling to survive, *IT* reported.

38 May 3-10, 2012. “Change on the radio: WUIS switches from music to news,” by Scott Faingold. WUIS general manager Bill Wheelhouse announced that the public radio station would shift from its classical music-based programming to news and “civilized” talk. Faingold wrote: “These days, it is nearly impossible to hear the words ‘public radio’ without being reminded of the recent congressional controversies over funding, replete with mantra-like right-wing accusations of ‘liberal elite’ bias.” “That stuff hasn’t had much of an effect on us,” Wheelhouse told *IT*.

39 March 21-28, 2013. “Gus’s new gig: Gus Gordon takes the helm of the Hoogland Center for the Arts,” by Scott Faingold. After a 22-year stint as everybody’s favorite weatherman on Channel 20, and occasional stage performances with his stage production company, Gordon Productions, Gordon accepted a full-time position as executive director of HCFTA. It was a good fit.

40 Aug. 14-20, 2014. “Black and white: Police say they’re trying to make the city safer. But black drivers feel targeted,” by Patrick Yeagle. Getting stopped by police for “driving while black” has been a recurring story for *Illinois Times*, but this was among the first. Samuel Johnson of Springfield believed he had done nothing wrong when police pulled him over. In court, officers said he failed to signal his lane change for 100 feet. Johnson’s attorney, Peter Wise of Springfield, had the case thrown out because state law has no provision for how long a turn signal should be used before a lane change.

41 Sept. 10-16, 2015. “Ghost of a library: Short-staffed jewel withers,” by Bruce Rushton, cover art by Chris Britt. The library side of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum is also the state’s historical library, a warehouse of the state’s history, with a trove of Abraham Lincoln documents and books. But the library is short-staffed, due to reductions by attrition. There are proposals to change the governance structure. “We need to move beyond crisis mode,” one librarian told *IT*.

42 Aug. 4-10, 2016. “Legacy Theatre comes of age: Celebrating a successful first five years, the theater plans a bright future” Tom Irwin wrote: “Five years after local theater mainstay Scott Richardson quipped to friends, ‘I bought a theater. Won’t this be fun!’ the Legacy Theatre is alive and well. Thriving under the watchful care of Richardson, the executive director, backed by a loyal and intrepid board of theater enthusiasts, the Legacy remains a viable and vital part of the entertainment scene.”

43 Sept. 21-27, 2017. “Outdated?: Townships face scrutiny,” by Bruce Rushton, cover art by Chris Britt. Gov. Bruce Rauner signed legislation to eliminate tax collectors in Sangamon County. “It is, at least, a start for critics of townships,” Rushton wrote, “who have long argued that the state’s 1,432 townships are largely, if not completely, unnecessary. ...” Outdated or not, townships seemed in no danger of imminent demise.

44 June 21-27, 2018. “The death of department stores: Bergner’s, Sears are shutting down,” by Bruce Rushton. Despite the loss of two anchor stores, the White Oaks manager told the Springfield City Council there’s no need to worry, there are prospects to fill those spaces. “We’re in good shape,” he said.



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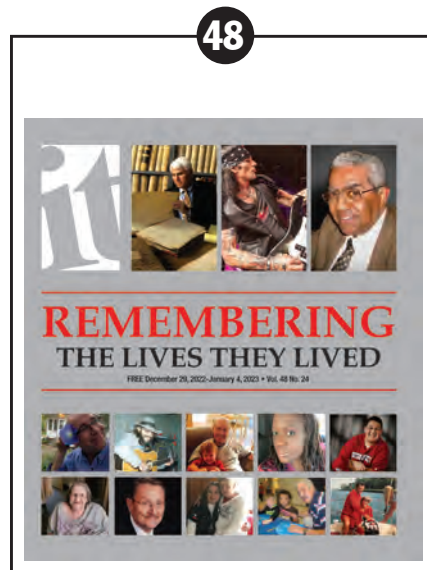
45 Oct. 17-23, 2019. “School segregation’s new frontier: As white flight continues, city schools make diversity cool,” by Daniel C. Vock. *IT* commissioned this article by Vock, a national public policy reporter based in Washington, D.C., who led a *Governing* magazine team that reported the “Segregated in the Heartland” series earlier that year. This article reflected how District 186 is coping with increasing racial segregation due to white flight. “My school district hires me to serve the students that are here,” said Superintendent Jennifer Gill.

46 June 25-July 1, 2020. “Making history: Demonstrators are driven by desire to acknowledge, learn and rectify,” by Rachel Otwell, photos by Zach Adams. Juneteenth seemed different in 2020, but important. It was three months into the pandemic, and a month after George Floyd was killed, but still a year away from being recognized as an official holiday by Illinois and the federal government. In Springfield Juneteenth has been celebrated for more than two decades. Michael Williams, one of the early organizers, said the big difference this year is that “our white brothers and sisters are saying with us, we’re tired, we’re done.” COVID-19 has made “the big gap in health care . . . between the white community and the Black community impossible to ignore.”

47 April 1-7, 2021. “Reimagining downtown: Departing trains drive dreams,” by Bruce Rushton. As relocation of Third Street rail tracks came closer to reality, ideas begin to blossom. One downtown property owner envisions more demand. “If you put a lot of cool people in a cool area, cool things happen.” Renderings show a transformed railroad bed, with bicycle paths, townhomes and cafes. “It could be our river walk,” said John Stremsterfer of the Community Foundation for the Land of Lincoln. Several sources agreed that downtown Springfield needs more than ideas and pretty pictures; it needs a master plan.

48 Dec. 29, 2022-Jan. 4, 2023. “Remembering the lives they lived.” It has become a tradition for *Illinois Times* to devote the final issue of the year to essays – from both readers and regular contributors – about people who have died during the year. For 2022, the remembrances included Patrick Coburn, Cullom Davis, Kenley Wade, Mark Kessler, Mike Zimmers, Deidre Silas, Roger Schmitz and Sunderline Temple. Our introduction to the issue: “REMEMBERING tells us not only how much this town has lost this year, but how much from each life it has gained.”

49 July 27-Aug. 2, 2023. “Transgender turmoil: YMCA critics claim they’re advocating for children. Others see political theater,” by Dean Olsen, photos by Zach Adams. Christina Newton and her friend, Candice Clotfelter, say they were wearing one-piece swimsuits and having a private conversation while sitting on a bench inside the women’s locker room at the Kerasotes branch of the Springfield YMCA April 27 when 16-year-old Abbigail Wheeler began staring at them. What happened next led to a nationally publicized controversy over the rights of transgender people to use locker rooms associated with the gender to which they identify.



50 Nov. 7-13, 2024. “This I believe Illinois: Selected high school essayists write from the heart,” by Karen Ackerman Witter. This year 245 students within the NPR Illinois listening area submitted essays – the most ever. Reviewers scored the essays and judges selected the top 10. *Illinois Times*, a cosponsor, published the winning essays. Titles included, “I believe in the moon,” “Victoria’s Secret ‘Bombshell’ perfume,” “I believe in stained glass,” “Emerald and onyx” and “Preserving the past.”

51 Feb. 20-26, 2025. “Combating human trafficking: City’s recent closures of Asian massage parlors highlight a larger problem,” by Dean Olsen. Illegitimate massage parlors aren’t just a nuisance to neighborhoods. The industry has strong connections to human trafficking networks, Olsen reported. Mental manipulation, language and cultural barriers and threats of violence make it hard for victims to realize there is an alternative, seek help and escape.



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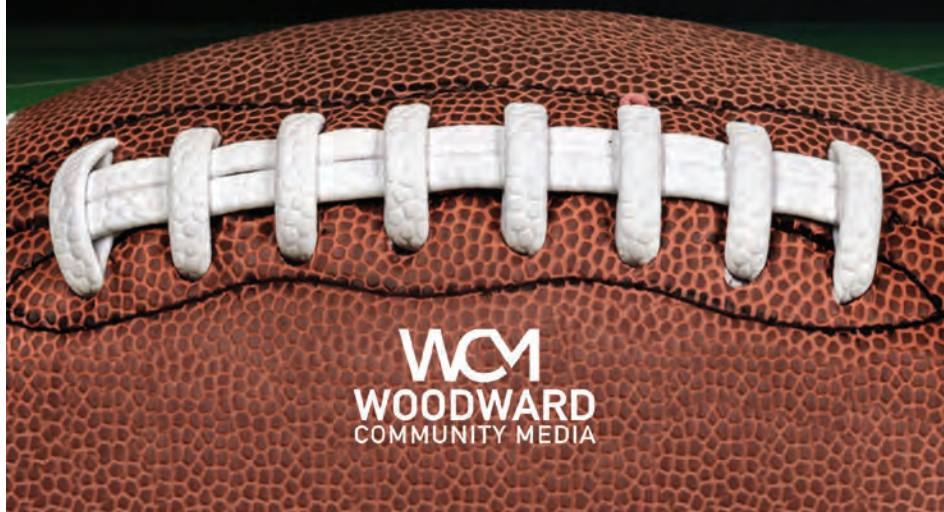
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Fall baking with apples

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The desire to retreat into my cozy kitchen and comfort bake has been especially strong lately, but until recently it's simply been too darn hot to turn on the oven. Now that the temperatures have dropped to a reasonable level we can finally start leaning into the coming season of sweaters and cider and warm spicy smells wafting from the kitchen.

Apple harvest is just beginning, with a wide array of local apples appearing at stores and farmstands throughout the area. Gala, Crimson Crisp, Jonathan and Honey Crisp varieties are usually the first to appear on the scene followed by Fuji, Granny Smith, Winesap and Pink Lady coming ripe closer to mid-October. When making an apple pie, I like to combine different varieties of apples for the contrasting flavors and textures they provide. However, for the apple streusel cake recipe below, I like to stick with firm, tart baking apples such as Pink Lady, Granny Smith and Jonagold because they have lower moisture content, which allows them to better hold their shape when baked. Lunchbox favorites Gala and Honeycrisp break down more quickly and are therefore better suited for use in cobblers and making apple butter.

For all the pumpkin lovers out there, these savory scones offer a different kind of pumpkin spice. A homey breakfast treat that's equally at home on the dinner table alongside a steaming bowl of stew, they get a gentle kick of spice from freshly ground black pepper and nutmeg.

Savory pumpkin scones

Ingredients:
 2 cups flour (I like to use a mixture of all-purpose and whole wheat.)
 ½ teaspoon salt
 1 tablespoon baking powder
 1 teaspoon sugar
 ¼ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, to taste
 ¼ teaspoon freshly ground nutmeg
 6 tablespoons cold butter
 1 cup grated cheese (a combination of Parmesan and gruyere works especially well)
 1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh sage or thyme
 3 large eggs, divided
 ¾ cup canned pumpkin puree
 16 whole sage leaves and pepitas, to garnish (optional)

Combine the flour, salt, baking powder, sugar and black pepper in a mixing bowl and whisk to combine. Grate the butter on the large holes of a box grater and add to the flour mixture. Using clean fingers or a fork, work



the butter into the flour until the mixture is coarse and crumbly, with pea-sized lumps of butter remaining. Add the cheese and herbs and mix gently to combine. Whisk together two of the eggs along with the pumpkin puree, then add this to the flour-butter mixture. Mix gently with a spatula to create a shaggy dough, then turn the dough out onto a floured surface and knead lightly until it just comes together. Be careful not to overwork the dough.

Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Divide the dough in half and pat it into two disks about ¾-inch thick. Place the rounds on the lined baking sheet and use a knife to cut them into eight wedges, separating the wedges just a bit on the sheet.

Beat the remaining egg with a tablespoon of water, then use a pastry brush to lightly coat the tops of the scones with the egg wash. Place a sage leaf on the top of each scone, then sprinkle with the pepitas. At this point the scones can be frozen and stored, well wrapped, in the freezer for several weeks.

When ready to bake, preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Bake for approximately 15 minutes (18 minutes if baking from frozen), until the scones are golden brown and spring back lightly when pressed with a finger.

Apple streusel cake

This cake packs in a lot of apples and makes a divine breakfast cake.

For the cake:
 ½ cup butter, softened
 ⅔-¾ cup light brown sugar, to taste (depending on the sweetness of the apples)
 2 eggs
 1 cup all-purpose flour (or use a mixture of all-purpose and whole wheat)
 1 teaspoon baking powder
 ½ teaspoon salt
 1 teaspoon cinnamon or apple pie spice
 2 or 3 large tart, firm apples such as Pink Lady or Granny Smith, peeled and sliced ¼-inch thick

For the streusel topping:
 ½ cup flour (all purpose, whole wheat or a mixture)
 ¼ cup each brown sugar and rolled oats
 ¼ cup softened butter
 A pinch of salt
 ¼ teaspoon cinnamon
 ¼ cup sliced almonds

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees and lightly

grease a 9-inch, round springform pan. Line the bottom of the pan with a round of parchment that's been cut to fit, then lightly butter the parchment and sides of the pan.

Cream the butter and sugar in a mixing bowl until it just begins to lighten. Add the eggs and mix vigorously until glossy and pale. Whisk together the flour, baking powder, salt and spices and add this to the butter mixture. Mix gently to combine, then gently fold in the sliced apples. Scoop the apple batter into the prepared pan and roughly smooth the top.

Combine the streusel ingredients in a small mixing bowl and use your fingers or a fork to work in the butter until the mixture resembles a coarse meal. Sprinkle the streusel over the cake batter, then transfer the cake to the preheated oven and bake for 50-60 minutes, until a toothpick inserted into the center of the cakes comes out clean.

Let the cake rest for 20 minutes before running a butter knife around the edges of the pan before releasing the sides. Let rest another 20 minutes before cutting. Due to its high moisture content, this cake is best stored in the refrigerator. □

Ashley Meyer is a chef, freelance writer and mom of two based in Springfield.



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Rosie & the Rivets play the Route 66 Mother Road Festival this Saturday evening on the Isringhausen Main Stage.

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As we roar on into the last weekend of September for 2025, fall is in the air and live music in the outdoor spaces is slowly coming to a close. For now, let's enjoy what we have left of the season to the utmost, with almost complete abandon and definitely the most fun we can accumulate and accommodate without any debate.

As the Thursday gigs begin to go into hibernation, we've still got about a month of steady ones ahead. In a one-off, I see our old friend Johnny Burgin rockin' the blues at George Rank's outdoor area with an unusual, but surely astounding as usual, solo show, while Blue Sky Revival delivers a superb Allman Brothers tribute at the Curve Inn. Keith Dunlap takes his tunes to Casey's Pub patio spot, Allan Harris drops by Mother Road Diner and Me, Myself & Schy land at Sangamo Brewing in Chatham with Geoff Ryan on the bass.

This weekend brings us another round of the Route 66 Mother Road Festival, delivering a Friday night cruise down the streets of Springfield, live music sponsored by the festival folks (plus a bunch of extra happenings because of the fest) and basically a loaded city full of car crazy cats digging the fun times.

The downtown event gives us music by Lady Luck on Friday (8-10 p.m.), then on Saturday here come The 66 Ramblers (1-3), Rosie & the Rivets (5-7) and Bon Journeyed (8-10, and yes, it's a hybrid Bon Jovi/Journey tribute) all on the Isringhausen Main Stage at Washington and Seventh streets, with a burnout contest break in the music at 3 p.m.

Added attractions on Friday include Jason McKenzie at Whiskey Jack's and 3rd Street Strays at Jamie's on 66, plus Cherry and Jerry at Buzz Bomb, along with Not Petty (11 a.m.-2 p.m.) and Black Velvet (3-6 p.m.) at the Railyard and OAT Band at George Rank's for live music action on the cruise route. And if

you're looking to avoid the "noize of the carz" try Johnnie Owens & Butter at Boone's, Joel Honey at Harvest Market, Satellite at Long Bridge and/or Stone Cold Cowboys at the Curve Inn.

Saturday lists some 40 shows so buckle up and let's go for a ride. More downtown thrills to compliment the festival crowd include Dr. Noodles and the Pastafarians (wonder what kind of music they play?) at Whiskey Jack's (1-4 p.m.) and Towse (internationally touring original music duo) at Buzz Bomb (7-10 p.m.).

For the bigger band shows, Lick Creek flows into Motorheads, EaZy PeTey takes on Weebles, Sunshine Daydream does the Dead at The Blue Grouch and Folsom Prison Five is a-coming 'round the bend at The Railyard.

Lighter fare combos include Chris Camp and John Drake at Mother Road Diner, Fairweather Friends at The Bird and The Whiskey Killers at Casey's Pub, plus solo acoustic act Gianna Hines at Harvest Market.

For something different on Saturday, check out Hipbone Sam & the Joints at Erin's Pavilion (8-11 a.m., yes, that's in the morning) for the Walk to End Alzheimer's fundraiser and the Best Kept Secret Live Show as a ticketed event at the Curve Inn featuring music performances by LaTrina Henry, Peety, Josie Lowder, V8 Vast Change, Divina Shã, Champ Anderson and Laquisha Burries-Finn, with an after party open jam at Bourbon Street.

Sunday is still on the move with over 20 events happening around town and in the area including Robert Sampson at Trail's End in Curran, Mississippi Leghound with Bad Bill at Brookhills and Frank Trompeter Trio at Buzz Bomb.

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Thursday Sep 25

Noize Complaint
48 Inn Sports Bar & Grill,
Decatur, 7-10pm

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

Karaoke with DJ Jeff
Bunkers Bar, Illiopolis,
7-10:30pm

Keith Dunlap
Columbian Grand Hall Knights of
Columbus 364, 5:30-8:30pm

Blue Sky Revival
Curve Inn, 6pm

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

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

Johnny Burgin with guests
George Rank's, 7-10pm

Karaoke
Goodfellas Pub, 8pm

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

Allan Harris
Mother Road Diner, Route 66
Hotel & Conference Center,
6-9pm

Karaoke
Replay Lounge, 8pm

Me, Myself & Schy with special guest Geoff
Sangamo Brewing, Chatham,
6pm

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 Topsy Toad, 8pm-12am

Good Times Karaoke
VFW Lafore Lock Post 755,

Friday Sep 26

Tom Grassman Band
48 Inn Sports Bar & Grill,
Decatur, 8pm

Muddy Creek & Co.
The Backroom Lounge, Riverton,
7pm

Johnnie Owens and Butter
Boone's, 5:30-8:30pm

Devin C. Williams
Buckhart Tavern, Rochester,
8-11pm

Cherry and Jerry
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co.,
7-10pm

Karaoke
Crazy Dog Saloon, Cantrall, 7pm

Stone Cold Cowboys
Curve Inn, 6-9pm

Lady Luck
Downtown Springfield, 8pm

Boots, Hats and Pearl Snaps Band
El Campesino Mexican
Restaurant, Girard, Fourth Friday
of every month, 5:30-7:30pm

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

OAT
George Rank's, Last Friday of
every month, 7-10pm

Joel Honey
Harvest Market Farmhouse
Brews, 6-9pm

3rd Street Strays
Jamie's Route 66, Southern
View, 6-9pm

Jack Hall
Legendary Small Town Trading
Co., Taylorville, 6-9pm

Satellite
Long Bridge Golf Course,
7-10pm

it Devin Clemons
Lucky's on the Square,
Petersburg, 8pm

Karaoke
The Lumpia House, 5-11pm

Song for Song vs. Hip-Hop Battle

Main Gate Bar & Grill, 9pm-
12am

Karaoke with Toxick & Chad
Pier 55 Lounge, 8pm

Not Petty, Black Velvet
The Railyard, 11am-2pm

Dance Monkey
The Topsy Toad, 7pm

Jason McKenzie
Whiskey Jack's Sports Bar, 7pm

Saturday Sep 27

The Get Down
American Legion Post 279,
Jacksonville, 5-7pm

Double H Karaoke
American Legion Post 32,
7-11pm

Fairweather Friends
The Bird Tavern, 7-9:30pm

Sunshine Daydream
The Blue Grouch Pub, 6:30-
10:30pm

Open jam
Bourbon Street, 10pm

Noize Complaint
Bunkers Bar, Illiopolis,
7-10pm

Towse
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co.,
7-10pm

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

The Whiskey Killers
Casey's Pub, 7-10pm

it LaTrina Henry, Peety, Josie Lowder, V8 Vast Change, Divina Sha, Champ Anderson and Laquisha Burries-Finn
Curve Inn, 6pm

Mr. Blue Sky
Danenberger Family Vineyards,
New Berlin, 8pm

Platinum Rock Legends
The Devon Lakeshore
Amphitheater, Decatur, 7pm

The 66 Ramblers, Rosie & The Rivets, Bon Journeyed
Downtown Springfield, 1-10pm

Hipbone and The Joints
Erin's Pavilion, Southwind Park,
8-11am

Gianna Hines
Harvest Market Farmhouse
Brews, 6-9pm

Pat Smith
KJB's Pint Haus, Jacksonville,
7pm

Jeff Young and the Bad Grandpas
Kuhl Tyme Korner, Jacksonville,
7pm

Kortney Leatherwood
Legendary Small Town Trading
Co., Taylorville, 6-9pm

Rezzin8
Locals Bar, Pawnee,
7-10pm

Chris Camp and John Drake
Mother Road Diner, Route 66
Hotel & Conference Center,
6-9pm

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

Zach Fedor
Patriots Pub, Waverly, 8pm

Folsom Prison Five
The Railyard, 7-9pm

Lick Creek
Route 66 MotorHeads Bar &
Grill, Museum & Entertainment
Complex, 8:30pm

Whiskey Seven
The Rusty Rail Pub, Lincoln,
8-11pm

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

Kickapoo Junction
Sliderz Bar & Grill, Decatur,
8-11pm

Open mic
Stella Coffee & Tea, 10am-
12:30pm

JackAsh
The Bean, Mechanicsburg,
7-10pm

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

Joel Honey
The Shed, Pawnee,
8-11pm

Devin Clemons
The Topsy Toad, 7pm

Smokestacks
Town Hall Pub, Loami, 7pm

Ben Haggard with Tennessee Jet
Twisted Tree Music & Event Hall,
Jacksonville, 7pm

EaZy PeTey
Weebles Bar & Grill,
7-10pm

Dr. Noodles and The Pastafarians
Whiskey Jack's Sports Bar,
1-4pm

Sunday Sep 28

Joel Honey
BJ Grand Salon and Spa,
11am-4pm

OAT
Brewhaus Bar, 4-7pm

Mississippi Leghound with Bad Bill Robinson
Brookhills Golf Club, 3pm

Robbie Mitchell
Buckhart Tavern, Rochester,
3-6pm

Hippies of the Heartland
Bunkers Bar, Illiopolis, 2-5pm

Frank Trompeter Jazz Trio
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co.,
4-6pm

Mid-October
Door 4 Brewing Co., Decatur, ,
12pm

Victim Of Fire, Jagged, Mechanizm, Extort
Dumb Records, 7pm

CrossRoad
Hill Prairie Winery, Oakford,
2-5pm

Curt Smith
Indian Creek Farmstead and
Pumpkin Patch, Petersburg,
1-3pm

Johnnie Owens and Butter
It's All About Wine, 3-6pm

Hunter Kivlehan
LargeCar Lounge, Lincoln,
3-6pm

Alex Pearce
Locals Bar, Pawnee, 1-4pm

LiL Higgy & His One Man Swamp Boogie Band
Maddy's Tavern, Divernon,
2-5pm

Larry Watson
Mother Road Diner, Route 66
Hotel & Conference Center,
5-8pm

Mississippi Heat
Pop's Place, Decatur, 3-6pm

Keith Dunlap
South Fork Pub, Kincaid,
3-6pm

Robert Sampson
Trails End Saloon, Curran,
3-6pm

Open mic with Kortney Leatherwood
Weebles Bar & Grill,
7-10pm

Monday Sep 29

Eddie Turner
The Alamo, 7pm

AI Kitchen
Fulgenzi's Pizza and Pasta,
6-9pm

Smokestacks
Goodfellas Pub, 8pm

Tuesday Sep 30

Devin C. Williams
Butternut Hut, 6-9pm

Karaoke with JCB Entertainment
Fulgenzi's Pizza and Pasta,
6-9pm

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

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

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

Wednesday Oct 1

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

Karaoke
Clique, 9pm-1am

Robert Sampson
Fulgenzi's Pizza and Pasta,
6-9pm

Scarlet's Darling with June Mae
The Railyard, 6-9pm

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

it Tim Zini
Whiskey Ridge Saloon,
Breckenridge, 6-9pm



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■ Special Music Events

Best Kept Secret Live Show
Sat., Sep. 27, 6pm. A night of unforgettable music, energy and talent as some of the hottest area artists hit the stage. Show will feature live performances by LaTrina Henry, Peety, Josie Lowder, V8 Vast Change, Divina Sha, Champ Anderson and Laquisha Burries-Finn. Tickets available at door or at goodnewsent.biz. \$15-\$20. Curve Inn, 3219 S. Sixth St. Road, 217-993-4998.

Capital Area Concert Band
Tue., Sep. 30, 7-8pm. Listen to concert pieces, jazz, blues, marches, spirituals, pop songs and show tunes. Students can take their programs to a band member to verify their attendance for class credit. Enter at the east canopy entrance. Free. Springfield First United Methodist Church, 2941 S. Koke Mill Road, 217-498-8072.

■ Dance

Boys Hip Hop Class
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■ Line Dancing

Fri., Sep. 26, 6:30-7:30pm. Learn how to put together exciting dance sequences with a mix of classic and modern line dance styles. The supportive and upbeat atmosphere is perfect for all levels — from beginners to seasoned dancers. For those age 18 and older. springfielddance.com. \$25 per couple or \$15 solo. Springfield Dance, 5531 International Pkwy., 217-483-3623.

■ Art & Architecture

Annual Artisan Market
Sat., Sep. 27, 9am. This year's all-handmade show showcases 40 local and regional artisans. A wide range of products will be on display including baked goods, pottery, jewelry, woodworking, fiber arts, paintings and more. Browse unique items and meet the talented creators. See the website for a list of artisans and directions. Free. Illinois State Fairgrounds Commodities Pavilion, 801 E. Sangamon Ave., 217-306-3394.

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History

Brice's Crossroads National Battlefield Then and Now
Sat., Sep. 27, 2-4pm. Graham Osborne, president of the Brice's Cross Roads Foundation, will present the campaign and battle that occurred June 10, 1864. Then, at 3pm, he will share what the foundation is doing to preserve and interpret the battlefield today. Free. Illinois State Military Museum, 1301 N. MacArthur Blvd., 217-761-3910.

Echoes of Yesteryear
Sun., Oct. 5, 12-3:30 p.m. A walk through Oak Ridge Cemetery. Actors in period costumes will tell personal stories of seven people buried at Oak Ridge Cemetery who made significant contributions to our community. Allow about two hours. Refreshments available for purchase. Hosted by the Sangamon County Historical Society. Oak Ridge Cemetery, 1441 Monument Ave. 217-525-1961.

Faith & Philosophy

Labyrinth Walk
Mon., Sep. 29, 6-8pm. Members of the public are invited to a unique walking meditation, a pathway consisting of different circuits, first leading toward the center and then back again toward the point where the journey began. Unlike a maze, there are no dead ends or choices to make between possible right or wrong turns. Free. Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 745 Woodside Rd, Springfield, IL 62711, 217-585-9550.

Holiday Observances

Abe for All: International Day for the Deaf
Sun., Sep. 28, 4-6pm. "Abe for All" is a series of learning

experiences to support and promote diversity and inclusion to make President Lincoln's legacy more accessible. Sign language interpreters will be present throughout the museum, including inside the theater productions to sign the presentations as they run. Free. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, 212 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

Holiday Happenings

Halloween Park Scavenger Hunt
Fri., Sep. 26, 9am-7pm. Experience a day filled with goblins, ghouls and a dash of Halloween mystery at one of four different sites: Lincoln, Southwind, Stuart and Kiwanis parks. The Halloween Park Scavenger Hunt by the Springfield Park District is the perfect way to discover ghostly clues in the great outdoors. Free. Various locations, Springfield, 217-544-1751.

Fairs & Festivals

56th Annual Prairie Land Heritage Museum Steam Show & Fall Festival
Fri., Sep. 26, 8am, Sat., Sep. 27, 8am and Sun., Sep. 28, 8am. See horse-powered equipment, antique tractors, gas and steam engines, demonstrations on bailing, blacksmithing and more. Includes steam train rides, flea market and food. \$10, children 12 and under are free. Prairie Land Heritage Museum, Jacksonville, 1005 W. Michigan Ave., 217-243-7262.

57th Annual Apple 'n Pork Festival
Sat., Sep. 27, 9am-5pm and Sun., Sep. 28, 9am-5pm. The festival offers more than 25 booths featuring old-fashioned apple and pork foods as well as many activities. Event includes tours of the home of Abraham Lincoln's law partner, C.H. Moore; fine art show; flea market with over 300 booths; various demonstrations; antique tractor show; live music; a Victorian magician, scarecrow contest and more. chmoorehomestead.org. Free. C.H. Moore Homestead DeWitt County Museum, Clinton, 219 E. Woodlawn St., 217-935-6066.

Chatham Jaycees Oktoberfest
Sat., Sep. 27, 11am-9pm. Traditional(ish) celebration with food, fun and German and American music. See the Facebook page for more info.

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Fundraisers and Galas

100+ Who Care in Springfield Fall Giving Event
Thu., Sep. 25, 5:30-7pm. In this fundraising event, participants nominate non-profit organizations. Three organizations are then selected at random for a chance to receive the ticket proceeds from the event. Presentations are made about the three groups. Event participants then vote. The organization with the most support is awarded the donation check. givebutter.com/spfldfall2025. \$100 per individual, \$150 for couples. Papa Frank's Restaurant, 4111 Wabash Ave., 217-679-8700.

Adams Street Family Reunion Fundraiser
Thu., Sep. 25, 5:30pm. Reserve a place for the first Adams Street Family Reunion Fundraiser, celebrating Kidzeum and raising funds needed to serve the kids who are a part of the Springfield family. There will be a silent auction, trivia games and surprises based on the original *Addams Family* characters and goodie bags for all. \$75. Kidzeum of Health and Science, 412 E. Adams St., 217-679-2123.

Bourbon Done Wright
Wed., Oct. 1, 5:30-8pm. Experience the sweet, smooth flavors of bourbon (Frank Lloyd Wright's favorite drink) while learning more about it. Sample fine foods, visit with fellow bourbon aficionados and support the Dana-Thomas House. dana-thomas.org. \$125 for bourbon tasting; \$25 for dinner only. Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex, 600 Toronto Road, 217-788-9452.

Drink for the Pink
Wed., Oct. 1, 4-8pm. Have fun with family and friends while raising money for those battling cancer. All funds will stay local with the Springfield Memorial Foundation to provide direct assistance to its patients through its Cancer Patient Assistance

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Family Service Center's Trivia Night

Sat., Sep. 27, 7-10pm. Bring friends and brainpower for a night of trivia. \$20. Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 745 Woodside Rd, Springfield, IL 62711, 217-528-8406.

Friends of the Farmers Market Street Dinner

Thu., Sep. 25, 6-9pm. Celebrate the Old Capitol Farmers Market under the stars with drinks and a farm-to-table dinner. Presented by Downtown Springfield Inc. and the market. \$110. Old State Capitol Plaza, between Fifth and Sixth streets at Adams, 217-544-1723.

Friends of the WSPL Annual Book and Bake Sale

Fri., Sep. 26, 10am-5pm, Sat., Sep. 27, 9am-12pm and Sun., Sep. 28, 12-2pm. Fill a bag with books for a \$5 donation at this annual event. West Sangamon Public Library, New Berlin, 112 E. Illinois St., 217-488-7733.

A Legacy and A Vision: 50 Years of Illinois Times

Thu., Sep. 25, 11am-1pm. Join us for lunch as we reflect on where we've been - and where we're going. Welcome and remarks titled "Publish or Perish: A Serious call for Celebration and Preservation of Press Freedom," at 11am by Fletcher Farrar, *Illinois Times* editor and owner. Lunch at 11:30am. Announcements and closing remarks at 12:15pm by Michelle Ownbey, *Illinois Times* publisher. \$50, Pole Barn Chic, 4491 Old Chatham Road, 217-679-7814.

Celebrate Sound

Sat., Oct. 4, 9-11:30 a.m. This fundraiser walk will help establish a non-profit hearing clinic for Medicaid patients in Springfield with Illinois State University. Presented by Sertoma Club of Springfield and the SIU-Medicine Otolaryngology Department. \$25. Washington Park Picnic Shelter, 1501 S. Grand Ave. W., 217-432-2393.

Children's Corner

Free Car Seat Check

Sat., Sep. 27, 10am-1pm. Trained and certified child passenger safety technicians will work with parents to make sure their child's car seat is installed correctly. Free. Green On Dirksen, 1200 South Dirksen Pkwy., 217-899-2512.

Special Education and Disability Resource Fair

Sat., Sep. 27, 11am-2pm. A day full of fun, resources, and community support. This event is designed to support families of children with autism and emotional disabilities. All proceeds go directly to benefit the students of SASED Central School. ptcasedcentral@gmail.com. SASED Central School, 2500 Taylor Ave., 2177863250.

Nature, Science & Environment

Bird Hike

Sat., Sep. 27, 8am. Join local birder Kevin Veara as he leads the group in search of migrating birds. Hikes start at the Nature Center. All levels of birders welcome. lincolnmemorygarden.org. Free. Lincoln Memorial Garden, 2301 E. Lake Shore Dr., 217-529-1111.

Environmental Summit

Tue., Sep. 30, 5:30-8:30pm. Connect, get inspired and take meaningful action together for the planet. Author Robin Wall Kimmerer will present virtually followed by a group discussion. Light refreshments will be provided. Register at <https://aes-summit.org/>. Free. First Presbyterian Church, 321 S. Seventh St., 217-843-6060.

Environmental Task Force Expo

Sat., Sep. 27, 10am-3pm. A day of connection, learning and action. Discussion topics include access to clean air and water, fresh and healthy food for every family, affordable housing and public transportation, a living wage for workers and a sustainable environment that inspires hope. Free. Comer Cox Park, Capitol Avenue and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, 217-544-2297.

Fall Family Fun Fest

Sat., Sep. 27, 10am-2pm. A day of fall family fun including pumpkin painting, scavenger hunt, photo booth, s'mores and more. greenview.com. Free. Green View Companies, 3000 W. Jefferson St., 800-798-7337.

Lectures & Meetings

Citizens Club of Springfield: Defining Downtown

Fri., Sep. 26, 8-9am. More than a year after a major fire, downtown Springfield continues to face adversity including the closure and boarding up of the Wyndham hotel and the closures of several businesses. Join the Citizens Club of Springfield for a panel discussion on the area's challenges, what's being done and potential models for the future. P Free and open to the public. Hoogland Center for the Arts Club Room, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

Facing Shifting Geopolitical Tides - What's Next For NATO?

Tue., Sep. 30, 7-8pm. Speaker Gordon Duguid will discuss how NATO has evolved, why Trans-Atlantic security is a vital component of our national security interests, how NATO meets its obligations and how European states see NATO, and more. Presented by the World Affairs Council Central IL (WACCI). Free. Illini Country Club, 1601 S. Illini Road, 546-4614.

Bulletin Board

3rd Annual Grand Market

Sun., Sep. 28, 11am-4pm. This family-friendly event features a variety of local businesses offering unique products and services, food and drinks and live music throughout the day. Includes children's activities including face painting and more. bjgrandsalon.com. Free. BJ Grand Salon and Spa, 3300 Robbins Road, 217-753-8880.

5th Annual Craft Bazaar

Sat., Sep. 27, 10am-3pm. Featuring local craft people, baked goods, home decor and more than 20 vendors. Food truck. Free. Tri-City Public Library, Buffalo, 600 S. Main St., 217-364-8181.

Alpaca Farm Days

Sat., Sep. 27, 11am-4pm and Sun., Sep. 28, 11am-3pm. Learn about alpacas, feel alpaca fleece and more in this family-friendly event. Includes activities for children. Free. Alpacas of Indian Point Hills, Petersburg, 17229 Vaneman St., 217-414-0266, 27-632-2590.



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Real Estate Foreclosure

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS TUDOR POINT APARTMENTS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, an Illinois not-for-profit Condominium Association, Plaintiff,

vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LAWRENCE R. O'BRIEN, Deceased, CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, an Illinois municipal corporation, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, and THEODORE J. HARVATIN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR LAWRENCE R. O'BRIEN, Deceased, Defendants.

Case No. 2025FC000079

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the court on the Amended Complaint to Foreclose Lien 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: Tudor Point Apartments Owners Association,

2650 Cooper Avenue, Apartment 204, Springfield, Illinois 62704, Attn: Cathy Der- rig, Phone (815) 766-0794.

(B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is: 2650 Cooper Avenue, Unit 111, Springfield, IL 62704

(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: 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 28, 2025; Office of the Sangamon County Sheriff, 300 N. Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois

(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 Sale following the sale and a Sheriff's Deed upon expiration of the judgment debtor's right of redemption provided under 735 ILCS 5/12-122 and the subsequent 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; questions of survey; to rules, regulations, and bylaws of Tudor Point Apartment Owners Association; to the restrictions contained in the Declaration of Condominium Ownership recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Sangamon County as Document No. 55883211 and rights of redemption pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/12-122. 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 SAILFISH SERVICING, LLC, PLAINTIFF,

vs. SHELBY JENNINGS; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS.

NO. 2025FC000054
1059 NORTH 6TH STREET SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702

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 August 6, 2025, will on October 28, 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:

TAX NO. 14-27.0-130-018
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1059 North 6th Street Springfield, IL 62702

Description of Improvements: White vinyl, 1.5 story single family home, detached 1 car garage

The Judgment amount was \$89,172.25. 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 (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://iforeclosuresales.mrpllc.com>.

Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Rayer Leibert Pierce, LLP, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 25-205561L 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. 13271460

25-102444

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

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR INDYMAC INDX MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-AR15, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2007-AR15 PLAINTIFF,

-vs-

JAMES HAMPTON A/K/A JAMES H. HAMPTON A/K/A JAMES H. HAMPTON SR.; ANGELA HAMPTON; ONEWEST BANK, FSB; JAMES H. HAMPTON, SR A/K/A JAMES H HAMPTON SR; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS DEFENDANTS NO. 25 FC 26

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on June 4, 2025; Paula Crouch, Sheriff, #1 Sheriff's Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701, will on October 14, 2025 at 9:00 AM, at Sangamon South 1 Copley Plaza Springfield, IL 62701, sell to the highest bidder for ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours, the following described premises situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

Said sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition.

Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court.

Commonly known as 856 South Douglas Avenue, Springfield, IL 62704 Permanent Index No.: 14-33.0-303-016 Improvements: Single Family Residential

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

The judgment amount was \$62,555.19. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this information. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For Bid Amount contact:
Sale Clerk

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DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR INDYMAC INDX MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-AR15, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES Series 2007-AR15

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THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IF YOUR PERSONAL LIABILITY FOR THIS DEBT HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED BY A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY OR BY AN ORDER GRANTING IN REM RELIEF FROM STAY, THIS NOTICE IS PROVIDED SOLELY TO FORECLOSE THE MORTGAGE REMAINING ON YOUR PROPERTY AND IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT THE DISCHARGED PERSONAL OBLIGATION. 8051-957783

25-102566

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. PLAINTIFF,

-vs-

CRISTINA R. VAN BIBBER A/K/A CRISTINA VAN BIBBER A/K/A CRISTINA RAE VANBIBBER; MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC.; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS DEFENDANTS NO. 25 FC 39

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on June 4, 2025; Jack L. Campbell, Sheriff, #1 Sheriff's Plaza,

Springfield, IL 62701, will on November 4, 2025 at 9:00 AM, at Sangamon South 1 Copley Plaza Springfield, IL 62701, sell to the highest bidder for ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours, the following described premises situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

Said sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition.

Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court.

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

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Commonly known as 2636 West Lawrence Avenue, Springfield, IL 62704 Permanent Index No.: 14-31.0-177.002 Improvements: Single Family Residential

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

The judgment amount was \$143,528.64. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this information. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Death Claim

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

DAVID E. HENDRICKSON, Deceased.
Case No. 2025-PR-358
CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of David E. Hendrickson. Letters of Office were issued on September 18, 2025, 2025, to Jo Marie Hendrickson, 8300 Hendrickson Road, Rochester, IL 62563, as Executor, and whose attorneys are GATES, WISE & SCHLOSSER, P.C., 1231 South Eighth Street, Springfield, IL, 62703.

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

DATED this 18th day of September 2025.
Gordon W. Gates
GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL, PC
1231 South Eighth Street
Springfield, IL 62703
Telephone: (217) 522.9010
Facsimile: (217) 522.9020
Email: gordon@gwspc.com

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY LOU DAVIS, DECEASED
Case #2025-PR-365
DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of MARY LOU DAVIS. Letters of Office have been issued to REBECCA SUSAN DOMBROWSKI, 217 E. Main St., Williamsville, IL 62693, 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 March 30, 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 16th day of September, 2025.
Patrick J. Sheehan
SHEEHAN & SHEEHAN, LAWYERS, P.C.
1215 South 4th Street
Springfield, IL 62703
(217) 544-0701

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAROLYN R. SLOAN, DECEASED
Case #2025-PR-351
DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of CAROLYN R. SLOAN. Letters of Office have been issued to SHEILA B. HARRIS, 2405 Stokebridge, Springfield, IL 62702, 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 March 30, 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 16th day of September, 2025.
Patrick J. Sheehan
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAROLYN R. WINNER, DECEASED
Case #2025-PR-364

DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of CAROLYN R. WINNER. Letters of Office have been issued to GARY L. WINNER, 4726 Littlebury Drive, St. Louis, MO 63128, 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 March 30, 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 16th day of September, 2025.
William P. Sheehan
SHEEHAN & SHEEHAN, LAWYERS, P.C.
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Springfield, IL 62703
(217) 544-0701

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARGARET A. NIEDERER, DECEASED
Case #2025-PR-367

DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of MARGARET A. NIEDERER. Letters of Office have been issued to GINA E. GROFF, 3 Bridge Terrace, Springfield, IL 62704, 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 March 30, 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 16th day of September, 2025.
William P. Sheehan
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Springfield, IL 62703
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

In the Matter of the Estate of WILLIAM D. BECKER, Deceased.

IN PROBATE
No. 2025-P-211
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of William D. Becker, deceased.

Letters of Office were issued on September 15, 2025, to Karen S. Becker, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Hugh F. Drake, Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000, Springfield, IL 62701. Letters of Office issued to Diane C. Harper on May 19, 2025, have been revoked. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 23rd day of March, 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 16th day of September, 2025.
BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP
Hugh F. Drake
(Registration No. 6269666)
205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000
P.O. Box 2459
Springfield, IL 62705-2459
(217) 544-8491

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS Estate of:

NADINE I. SISTI, Deceased.
NO. 2025-PR-363
CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Nadine I. Sisti of Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on September 16, 2025, to Barbara D. Melcher, 3236 E. Carpenter, Springfield, Illinois 62702, as Executor, whose attorneys are Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP, P.O. Box 79, Springfield, Illinois 62705.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701 or with the representative or both, on or before March 23, 2026, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2025.
Bernard G. Segatto, III - 06190753
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of:

Alexander M. Young, III, Deceased.
No. 2025-PR-359
NOTICE TO HEIRS AND NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given of the death of Alexander M. Young, III, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters Testamentary were issued on September 9, 2025, to Alexander M Young, IV, 2113 S. College Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62704, as Independent Executor, whose attorney of record is DELANO LAW OFFICES, LLC, One Southeast Old State Capitol Plaza, Springfield, Illinois, 62701.

Notice is given to all known and unknown

heirs of Alexander M. Young, III of the entry of the Order as set forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring Alexander M. Young, IV and Adam C. Young as the only heirs of Alexander M. Young, III. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 28-4 of the Probate Act, 755 ILCS 5/28-4, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County, 200 S. 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months of the first day that this Notice is published, and any claim not so filed within that period is barred.

Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of:

Dorothy E. Smith, Deceased.
No. 2025-PR-352
NOTICE TO HEIRS AND NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given of the death of Dorothy E. Smith of Williamsville, Illinois. Letters Testamentary were issued on September 3, 2025, to Pamela J. Littell, 4316 Fielding Drive, Springfield, Illinois, 62711, as Independent Executor, whose attorney of record is DELANO LAW OFFICES, LLC, One Southeast Old State Capitol Plaza, Springfield, Illinois, 62701.

Notice is given to all known and unknown heirs of Dorothy E. Smith of the entry of the Order as set forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring Pamela J. Littell, Julie A. Schultz, and Richard D. Smith as the only heirs of Dorothy E. Smith. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 28-4 of the Probate Act, 755 ILCS 5/28-4, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County, 200 S. 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months of the first day that this Notice is published, and any claim not so filed within that period is barred.

Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of:

GARY ALAN DRONE, DECEASED
Case #2025-PR-362
DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of GARY ALAN DRONE. Letters of Office have been issued to LINDA K. HAEGER, 6427 Briarcliff Court, Lisle, IL 60532, 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 March 23, 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 8th day of September, 2025.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAVID DENNIS WARNICK, DECEASED
Case #2025-PR-360

DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of DAVID DENNIS WARNICK. Letters of Office have been issued to MARK D. WARNICK, 200 Pauline Avenue, Buffalo Grove, IL 60089 and TAMA R. DAVIS, 901 Kenyon Drive, Springfield, IL 62704, as Independent Co-Executors, 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 Co-Executors, or both, on or before March 23, 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 Co-Executors and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
Dated this 8th day of September, 2025.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the estate of:

Carlene Klickner, Deceased
Case No. 2025-PR-000341
Claim Notice

Notice is given of the death of Carlene Klickner. Letters of Office were issued on Sept. 3, 2025 to Robert Wiedeman as Executor, 20 Glenwood Lane, Chatham IL 62629. 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 62701, or with the Executor, on or before March 11, 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

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

CONNRY L. HORN, DECEASED

Case #2025-PR-355
DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of CONNY L. HORN. Letters of Office have been issued to NACEDAH HANCOCK, 34 Briarwood Drive, Hillsboro, IL 62049, as Independent Administrator, 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 Administrator, or both, on or before March 17, 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 Administrator and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
Dated this 3rd day of September, 2025.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN LAPICCOLA, DECEASED
Case #2025-PR-354

DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of JOHN LAPICCOLA. Letters of Office have been issued to LISA C. LAPICCOLA, 2431 South 10th St., Springfield, IL 62703 and TRESSA M. PUTNAM, 152 Archer Avenue, Springfield, IL 62704, as Independent Co-Executors, 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 Co-Executors, or both, on or before March 17, 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 Co-Executors and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
Dated this 3rd day of September, 2025.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHARON L. LOKAITIS, DECEASED
Case #2025-PR-356

DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of SHARON L. LOKAITIS. Letters of Office have been issued to REBECCA JOHNSTON, 5112 Mountain View Drive, Springfield, IL 62711, 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 March 17, 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 3rd day of September, 2025.
William P. Sheehan

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
IN the Matter of the Estate of
NANCY M. DOTY, Deceased.
IN PROBATE

NO. 2025PR325
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of NANCY M. DOTY, deceased.
Letters of Office were issued on August 11, 2025, to NANCY SMITH and NORMAN S. DOTY, JR., Executors, whose addresses are (respectively) 240 W. Conroy St., Williamsville, IL 62693 and 212 S. Elkhart St., Williamsville, IL 62693 and whose attorney is Robert A. Stuart, Jr., Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 S. 5th St., Suite 1000, Springfield, IL 62701.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before March 11, 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.

Dated this 29th day of August, 2025.

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Adoption

ADOPTION NOTICE – STATE OF ILLINOIS, County of Sangamon, Seventh Judicial Circuit Court of Sangamon County. In the matter of the Petition for the Adoption of Baby Boy Meredith, a male child. Adoption No. 2025-AD-74. To Unknown Fathers and All Whom It May Concern: Take notice that a petition was filed in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois, for the adoption of a child named Baby Boy Meredith. Now, therefore, unless you Unknown Fathers and All Whom It May Concern, file your answer to the Petition in the action or otherwise file your appearance therein, in the said Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Room 405, in the City of Springfield, Illinois, on or before the 27th day of October 2025, a default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Petition. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAO/gethelp.asp> /s/Joseph Roesch, Sangamon County Circuit Clerk
Dan E. Way, Attorney for Petitioners
1100 S. Fifth St., Springfield, IL 62703

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
ERNEST J. WRIGHT, and BRENDA K. WRIGHT, Petitioners,

v.
TIENA WRIGHT, natural mother, UNKNOWN FATHER and ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, And KYRA L. WRIGHT, a minor, Respondents.
No. 2025-AD-70
ADOPTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, UNKNOWN FATHER and ALL IT MAY CONCERN, that a Petition for Adoption (which includes a Prayer for the TERMINATION OF THE PARENTAL RIGHTS OF TIENA WRIGHT, and ALL UNKNOWN FATHERS) has been filed against you. The Petitioners seek an order terminating your parental rights and leave to adopt the minor child, KYRA L. WRIGHT, and any other relief the Court deems appropriate.

UNLESS you file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the office of the Clerk of this Court, Sangamon County Circuit Clerk, 200 S. 9th Street, #405, Springfield, Illinois, 62701, on or before the 6th day of October 2025, an order or decree by default may be entered against you for the relief in accordance with the prayer of said Petition.
WITNESS 8/28/2025, 2025 Sherry Doty, Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ Joseph B. Roesch
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Name Change

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the matter of the Petition of
Da'metionne Ky'zen Howze
For change of name to
Da'metionne Ky'zen Anderson
Case No. 2025-MR-000399
PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Nov. 11, 2025 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Da'metionne Ky'zen Howze to Da'metionne Ky'zen Anderson pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.
Dated: Sept. 18, 2025

Foreclosure

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
TUDOR POINT APARTMENTS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, an Illinois not-for-profit Condominium Association,
Plaintiff,

v.
UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LAWRENCE R. O'BRIEN, Deceased, CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, an Illinois municipal corporation, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, and THEODORE J. HARVATIN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR LAWRENCE R. O'BRIEN, Deceased,
Defendants.

Case No. 2025FC000079
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the court on the Amended Complaint to Foreclose Lien 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: Tudor Point Apartments Owners Association, 2650 Cooper Avenue, Apartment 204, Springfield, Illinois 62704, Attn: Cathy Der- rig, Phone (815) 766-0794.

(B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is: 2650 Cooper Avenue, Unit 111, Springfield, IL 62704

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

Unit 1-1 Tudor Point Apartments as delineated on survey of Lot 15 Monroe Park Third Plat, a Subdivision of the West 53 1/3 acres of the East Half of the Northwest Quarter and that part of the West Half of the Northwest Quarter lying East of the Easterly right of way line of F.A. Route 68, all in Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, which survey is attached as Exhibit "A" to Declaration of Condominium Ownership made by the Illinois National Bank of Springfield as Trustee under Trust No. 13-03633-00, recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Sangamon County, Illinois, in Book 1201, Page 196, as Document No. 558831, together with a percentage of the common elements appurtenant to said Unit as set forth in said Declaration, as amended from time to time. 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.

(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: 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 28, 2025; Office of the Sangamon County Sheriff, 300 N. Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois

(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 Sale following the sale and a Sheriff's Deed upon expiration of the judgment debtor's right of redemption provided under 735 ILCS 5/12-122 and the subsequent 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; questions of survey; to rules, regulations, and bylaws of Tudor Point Apartment Owners Association; to the restrictions contained in the Declaration of Condominium Ownership recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Sangamon County as Document No. 55883211 and rights of redemption pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/12-122. 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 FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

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

v.
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF STEVEN W. WOOD, a/k/a STEVEN WAYNE WOOD, deceased, CARRIE HUMES, MINDY DAVIS, JACLYN WOOD, KAYLA WOOD, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.

Case No. 2025FC000177

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION
Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF STEVEN W. WOOD, a/k/a STEVEN WAYNE WOOD, deceased, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS of the real estate described below, Defendants in the above-entitled case, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that the above-entitled mortgage foreclosure suit is now pending in said court and the day on or after which a default may be entered against Defendants is October 24, 2025.

Plaintiff has certified the following regarding said foreclosure action filed on September 12, 2025.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case Number are as follows: West Central Bank, an Illinois banking corporation; 2025FC000177.

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

3. The name of the title holder of record is: Heirs and Legatees of Steven W. Wood, a/k/a Steven Wayne Wood, deceased

4. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:
Lot Five (5) in Block Eleven (11) of Golden Gardens Annex "C".

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

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 3137 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703

6. The Tax Identification Number for the real estate is as follows: 22-09.0-460-015

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

Name of Mortgagor: Steven W. Wood
Name of Mortgagee: West Central Bank
Date of Mortgage: March 4, 2014
Date of recording: March 26, 2014
County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2014R06469
/s/ Joseph B. Roesch
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
MIDFIRST BANK,
Plaintiff,

v.
NORA I. PARRISH; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants,
Case No. 2025FC000124

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Nora I. Parrish, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit, Sangamon County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit:
The East 32.50 feet of the West 65 feet of

Lot 8 of JAMES F. BROOK'S SUBDIVISION. Except all coal, minerals and mining rights heretofore conveyed or reserved of record. Situated in SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 2316 Richards Lane, Springfield, IL 62702 14-11.0-403-033

Now, therefore, unless you, Nora I. Parrish, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Seventh Judicial Circuit, Sangamon County, Illinois, on or before November 7, 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.

E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or contact the Clerk of this Court.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
INB, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association,
Plaintiff,

v.
MIKAYLA OBERREITER, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.

No.: 2025-FC-136
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE
Notice is given to defendants, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, of the following described real estate, that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action is now pending, and the day on or after which a default may be entered against said defendants is OCTOBER 20, 2025.

The Plaintiff has certified that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action was filed on July 21, 2025, and is now pending.

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

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

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

(iv) A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:
The North 60 feet of Lot 6, Block 5 in Belmont Park Gardens Subdivision, Sangamon County, Illinois.

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

Tax ID Number: 22-10-430-028

(v) A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows:
2845 Hoover Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703

(vi) An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:
(A) Nature of instrument: Mortgage.

(B) Date of mortgage: October

20, 2023.

(C) Name of mortgagor: Mikayla Oberreiter.

(D) Name of mortgagee: INB, National Association.

(E) Date and place of recording: October 24, 2023 in the Recorder's Office of Sangamon County, Sangamon County, Illinois.

(F) Identification of recording: Document No. 2023R19652.
INB, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association, Plaintiff
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
SECURITY BANK, S.B.,
Plaintiff,

v.
F and W RESOURCES, INC., an Illinois corporation, SANGAMON COUNTY WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.

Case No. 2025FC00171
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION
Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS of the real estate described below, Defendants in the above-entitled case, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that the above-entitled mortgage foreclosure suit is now pending in said court and the day on or after which a default may be entered against Defendants is October 23, 2025.

Plaintiff has certified the following regarding said foreclosure action filed on September 8, 2025.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case Number are as follows: Security Bank, S.B.; 2025FC00171.

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: F and W Resources, Inc.

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

Parcel 1:
Lot 26 in Capsco Subdivision, the Plat of which Subdivision is recorded in Volume 16 of Plats at page 45 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois. EXCEPT the South 167 feet thereof.

Parcel 2:
Part of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Sangamon County, Illinois, described as follows:

From the Northwest corner of said East Half Quarter Section North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on the Quarter Section line, 230.60 feet to the point of beginning, said point being on the South right of way line of Moffatt Avenue; thence continuing on same course North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on said Quarter Section line and said South right of way line, 1,071.52 feet to a point on the Westerly right of way line of the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad, said point being on a curve

concave to the Northwest having a radius of 1,490 feet (approx.); thence Southwesterly on said curve and said Westerly right of way line, a chord bearing of South 20 degrees 20 minutes 19 seconds West, a chord distance of 291.57 feet; thence South 89 de-

grees 45 minutes 14 seconds West 822.23 feet; thence South 46 degrees 48 minutes 29 seconds West, 317.94 feet to a point on the Easterly right of way line of Nineteenth Street; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, on said Easterly right of way line, 449.57 feet to a point on the South right of way line of Moffatt Avenue; thence North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on said South right of way line, 83.85 feet to a point on the Easterly right of way line of Nineteenth Street; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East on said Easterly right of way line, 40.00 feet to the point of beginning.

EXCEPT that part thereof described as follows: Part of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Sangamon County, Illinois, described as follows:

From the Northwest corner of said East Half Southwest Quarter Section North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East, on the Quarter Section line, 660.60 feet to the point of beginning, said point being on the South right of way line of Moffatt Avenue; thence continuing on same course North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on said Quarter Section line and said South right of way line, 641.52 feet to a point on the Westerly right of way line of the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad, said point being on a curve concave to the Northwest having a radius of 1,490 feet (approx.); thence Southwesterly on said curve and said Westerly right of way line, a chord bearing of South 20 degrees 20 minutes 19 seconds West, and a chord distance of 291.57 feet; thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds West, 272.95 feet to the point of beginning.

All 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. All situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

COUNT II

Parcel 1:
Lot 26 in Capsco Subdivision, the Plat of which Subdivision is recorded in Volume 16 of Plats at page 45 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois. EXCEPT the South 167 feet thereof.

Parcel 2:
The North Half of Lot 27 of Capsco Subdivision, a Subdivision of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, the Plat of which Subdivision is recorded in Volume 16 of Plats at Page 45, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois.

Parcel 3:
The South 167 feet of Lot 26 of Capsco Subdivision of part of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter, Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian.

All 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. All situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

COUNT III

Parcel 1:
Lot 26 in Capsco Subdivision, the Plat of which Subdivision is recorded in Volume 16 of Plats at page 45 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois. EXCEPT the South 167 feet thereof.

Parcel 2:
The North Half of Lot 27 of Capsco Subdivision, a Subdivision of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, the Plat of which Subdivision is recorded in Volume 16 of Plats at Page

45, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois.

Parcel 3:

Part of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Sangamon County, Illinois, described as follows:

From the Northwest corner of said East Half Quarter Section North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on the Quarter Section line, 230.60 feet to the point of beginning, said point being on the South right of way line of Moffatt Avenue; thence continuing on same course North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on said Quarter Section line and said South right of way line, 1,071.52 feet to a point on the Westerly right of way line of the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad, said point being on a curve concave to the Northwest having a radius of 1,490 feet (approx.); thence Southwesterly on said curve and said Westerly right of way line, a chord bearing of South 20 degrees 20 minutes 19 seconds West, a chord distance of 291.57 feet; thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds West 822.23 feet; thence South 46 degrees 48 minutes 29 seconds West, 317.94 feet to a point on the Easterly right of way line of Nineteenth Street; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, on said Easterly right of way line, 449.57 feet to a point on the South right of way line of Moffatt Avenue; thence North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on said South right of way line, 83.85 feet to a point on the Easterly right of way line of Nineteenth Street; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East on said Easterly right of way line, 40.00 feet to the point of beginning.

EXCEPT that part thereof described as follows: Part of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Sangamon County, Illinois, described as follows:

From the Northwest corner of said East Half Southwest Quarter Section North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East, on the Quarter Section line, 660.60 feet to the point of beginning, said point being on the South right of way line of Moffatt Avenue; thence continuing on same course North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on said Quarter Section line and said South right of way line, 641.52 feet to a point on the Westerly right of way line of the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad, said point being on a curve concave to the Northwest having a radius of 1,490 feet (approx.); thence Southwesterly on said curve and said Westerly right of way line, a chord bearing of South 20 degrees 20 minutes 19 seconds West, and a chord distance of 291.57 feet; thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds West, 272.95 feet to the point of beginning.

All 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. All situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

COUNT IV

Parcel 1:
Lot 26 in Capsco Subdivision, the Plat of which Subdivision is recorded in Volume 16 of Plats at page 45 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois. EXCEPT the South 167 feet thereof.

Parcel 2:
The North Half of Lot 27 of Capsco Subdivision, a Subdivision of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, the Plat of which Subdivision is recorded in Volume 16 of Plats at Page 45, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois.

Parcel 3:

Part of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Sangamon County, Illinois, described as follows:

From the Northwest corner of said East Half Quarter Section North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on the Quarter Section line, 230.60 feet to the point of beginning, said point being on the South right of way line of Moffatt Avenue; thence continuing on same course North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on said Quarter Section line and said South right of way line, 1,071.52 feet to a point on the Westerly right of way line of the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad, said point being on a curve concave to the Northwest having a radius of 1,490 feet (approx.); thence Southwesterly on said curve and said Westerly right of way line, a chord bearing of South 20 degrees 20 minutes 19 seconds West, a chord distance of 291.57 feet; thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds West 822.23 feet; thence South 46 degrees 48 minutes 29 seconds West, 317.94 feet to a point on the Easterly right of way line of Nineteenth Street; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, on said Easterly right of way line, 449.57 feet to a point on the South right of way line of Moffatt Avenue; thence North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on said South right of way line, 83.85 feet to a point on the Easterly right of way line of Nineteenth Street; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East on said Easterly right of way line, 40.00 feet to the point of beginning.

EXCEPT that part thereof described as follows: Part of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Sangamon County, Illinois, described as follows:

From the Northwest corner of said East Half Southwest Quarter Section North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East, on the Quarter Section line, 660.60 feet to the point of beginning, said point being on the South right of way line of Moffatt Avenue; thence continuing on same course North 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East on said Quarter Section line and said South right of way line, 641.52 feet to a point on the Westerly right of way line of the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad, said point being on a curve concave to the Northwest having a radius of 1,490 feet (approx.); thence Southwesterly on said curve and said Westerly right of way line, a chord bearing of South 20 degrees 20 minutes 19 seconds West, and a chord distance of 291.57 feet; thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds West 540.18 feet; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 272.95 feet to the point of beginning.

All 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. All situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows:

COUNT I

Parcel 1: 3327 Terminal Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62707

Parcel 2: 750 N. 19th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62707

COUNT II

Parcel 1: 3327 Terminal Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62707

Parcel 2: 3241 Terminal Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62707

Parcel 3: 3301 Terminal Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62707

COUNT III

Parcel 1: 3327 Terminal Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62707

Parcel 2: 3241 Terminal Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62707

Parcel 3: 750 N. 19th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62707

COUNT IV

Parcel 1: 3327 Terminal Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62707

Parcel 2: 3241 Terminal Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62707

Parcel 3: 750 N. 19th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62707

6. The Tax Identification Numbers for the real estate are as follows:

COUNT I

Parcel 1: 14-12.0-376-008

Parcel 2: 14-26.0-326-009

COUNT II

Parcel 1: 14-12.0-376-008

Parcel 2: 14-12.0-376-002

Parcel 3: 14-12.0-376-007

COUNT III

Parcel 1: 14-12.0-376-008

Parcel 2: 14-12.0-376-002

Parcel 3: 14-26.0-326-009

COUNT IV

Parcel 1: 14-12.0-376-008

Parcel 2: 14-12.0-376-002

Parcel 3: 14-26.0-326-009

7.

An identification of the mortgages sought to be foreclosed are as follows:

COUNT I

Name of Mortgagor: F and W Resources, Inc. Name of Mortgage: Security Bank, S.B.

Date of Mortgage: December 28, 2016

Date of recording: December 29, 2016

County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2016R35887

COUNT II

Name of Mortgagor: F and W Resources, Inc. Name of Mortgage: Security Bank, S.B.

Date of Mortgage: December 28, 2016

Date of recording: January 23, 2017

County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2017R01638

COUNT III

Name of Mortgagor: F and W Resources, Inc. Name of Mortgage: Security Bank, S.B.

Date of Mortgage: March 30, 2020

Date of recording: April 7, 2020

County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2020R07238

COUNT IV

Name of Mortgagor: F and W Resources, Inc. Name of Mortgage: Security Bank, S.B.

Date of Mortgage: September 1, 2023

Date of recording: September 6, 2023

County where recorded: Sangamon County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2023R16348

/s/ Joseph B. Roesch

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP

Emmet A. Fairfield

Registration No. 6180505

205 S. 5th Street – Suite 1000

P.O. Box 2459

Springfield, IL 62705

(217) 544-8491

efairfield@bhsllaw.com

8051-957861

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 August 6, 2025, will on October 28, 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 2 in Block 4 of Robert Allens Subdivision, as per Plat recorded June, 1869, except the South 77 feet thereof, and also except that part of the North end thereof lying within 60 feet of the North line of Lot 1 in said Block 4. 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. 14-27.0-130-018

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1059 North 6th Street

Springfield, IL 62702

Description of Improvements: White vinyl, 1.5 story single family home, detached 1 car garage

The Judgment amount was \$89,172.25.

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 (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://iforeclosuresales.mrpilc.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# 25-205561L 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. I3271460

25-102444

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDI-

CIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR INDYMAC INDX MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-AR15, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2007-AR15 PLAINTIFF, -vs- JAMES HAMPTON A/K/A JAMES H. HAMPTON A/K/A JAMES H. HAMPTON SR.; ANGELA HAMPTON; ONEWEST BANK, FSB; JAMES H. HAMPTON, SR A/K/A JAMES H HAMPTON SR; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS DEFENDANTS NO. 25 FC 26 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on June 4, 2025;

Paula Crouch, Sheriff, #1 Sheriff's Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701, will on October 14, 2025 at 9:00 AM, at Sangamon South 1 Copley Plaza Springfield, IL 62701, sell to the highest bidder for ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours, the following described premises situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

Said sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition.

Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court.

Said property is legally described as follows: LOT 17 IN BLOCK 2 OF CONNELLY, SWETT AND HEMMICK'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD.

EXCEPT COAL AND OTHER MINING AND MINERAL RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OF RECORD.

SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Commonly known as 856 South Douglas Avenue, Springfield, IL 62704 Permanent Index No.: 14-33.0-303-016

Improvements: Single Family Residential

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

The judgment amount was \$62,555.19. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this information. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For Bid Amount contact:

Sale Clerk

LOGS Legal Group LLP

2801 Lakeside Drive, Suite 207

Bannockburn, IL 60015

ILNOTICES@logs.com

(847) 291-1717

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY as Trustee for INDYMAC INDX

MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-AR15, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES

Series 2007-AR15

One of Plaintiff's Attorneys

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Debra Miller (6205477)
Amy Aronson (6206512)
THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IF YOUR PERSONAL LIABILITY FOR THIS DEBT HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED BY A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY OR BY AN ORDER GRANTING IN REM RELIEF FROM STAY, THIS NOTICE IS PROVIDED SOLELY TO FORECLOSE THE MORTGAGE REMAINING ON YOUR PROPERTY AND IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT THE DISCHARGED PERSONAL OBLIGATION.
8051-957783

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF Sangamon - Springfield, ILLINOIS
Newrez LLC d/b/a/ Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing
Plaintiff
vs.
Linda A. Lowe; et. al
Defendant
25 FC 19
CALENDAR
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on October 15, 2025, at the hour 9:00 a.m., Harvatin Law Office, 1100 South 5th Street, Springfield, IL 62703, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS: LOT TWO HUNDRED NINETEEN (219) OF HARVARD PARK. EXCEPT THE COAL & OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE SURFACE OF SAID LAND & ALL RIGHTS & EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL AND MINERALS. P.I.N. 22-03.0-327-016. Commonly known as 2158 S. 10th, Springfield, IL 62703.
The real estate is: single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: At sale, the bidder must have 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.
For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527. (630) 794-5300. 14-25-00158
INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION
intercountyjudicialsales.com
i3272674

Notice by Publication
LEGAL NOTICE RE: 2600 S. Walnut, Springfield, IL 22-09.0-127-022 to ALL OWNERS OF RECORD. Sangamon County has determined said property is open and vacant and presents an immediate and continuing hazard to public health and safety, and pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/5-1121 intends to demolish, repair or enclose the structure on the property on or after October 10, 2025, and remove and debris, garbage or other hazardous or noxious substances. Interested parties posing an objection to these remedies must contact Sangamon County Department of Building and Zoning, 200 S. Ninth Street, Room 234, Springfield,

Illinois, 62701, (217) 753-6760 within 15 days of the publication of this notice on October 10, 2025; or file an objection in any court of competent jurisdiction.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals on Thursday, October 16th, 2025 at 6:30 p.m., in the County Board Chambers, Room 222 of the Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. 9th St., Springfield, Illinois, to hear the testimony for the petition of Edith Sausaman, fee owner of property commonly known as 3914 Tozer Road, Springfield, IL 62707 and legally described as follows:
See Exhibit A
Petitioner requests for Proposed Parcel 1: pursuant to Chapter 17.66, a variance of Section 17.38.030 to allow one (1) parcel less than forty (40) acres (approximately 14.5 acres); and, a variance of Chapter 17.04 (Lot depth) to allow the lot depth to be greater than two and one-half (2.5) times the lot width; and, for Proposed Parcel 2: pursuant to Chapter 17.66, a variance of Section 17.38.030 to allow one (1) parcel less than forty (40) acres (approximately 26.5 acres); and, a variance of Chapter 17.04 (Lot depth) to allow the lot depth to be greater than two and one-half (2.5) times the lot width. Also in attendance to hear the testimony will be the members of the Zoning & Land Use Committee of the Sangamon County Board.
Dated this 18th day of September, 2025
Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals
CHARLES W. CHIMENTO, CHAIRMAN
Exhibit A
The West Half of the Northwest Fractional Quarter of Section Seven (7), Township Sixteen (16) North, Range Five (5) West of the Third Principal Meridian.
EXCEPT the South 20 acres of the West Half of the Northeast Fractional Quarter of said Section Seven (7), and except the following described tract: Beginning 660 feet North of the Southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of said Section Seven (7); thence North 950 feet; thence East 320 feet; thence South 151.12 feet and thence East 320.2 feet; thence South 748.88 feet; thence 640.2 feet to the place of beginning, all in Section Seven (7), Township Sixteen (16) North, Range Five (5), West of the Third Principal Meridian, situated in the County of Sangamon and State of Illinois.
PIN#14-07.0-100-001

Ted Cole, last known address: 2048 S. 5th, Springfield, IL 62703.
Unit # 13. contents household items, personal items and tools.
The above-named occupant is hereby notified that the contents of said storage units: Grace Church Mini Storage, 3401 S 6th St., Springfield, IL 62703, will be sold or disposed of if payment is not received in full by October 3, 2025:
Cash, Cashier's Check or Money Order will be accepted.

STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
Samantha Hastings, Petitioner
and
Omar Kazali, Respondent
Case No. 2017-F-104
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
Notice is given you Omar Kazali, Respondent herein, that this cause has been commenced and you are summoned to a child custody case and for other relief. Unless you file your response or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, 200 South Ninth Street, Room 405, Springfield,

Illinois on or before the 25th day of October, 2025, a judgment or decree by default may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.
Joseph B. Roesch
Circuit Clerk

To enforce Self Storage Lien in default of payment of rent a private auction will be held on Saturday October 18, 2025, at 9:00a.m.
Northeast Storage is located at 1907 North Grand East, Springfield, IL 62702
This is a private auction. In order to attend you must call 217-544-4521 a week prior to the auction date.
Please leave your name, telephone number and an email address.
Cash is the only form of payment accepted for the auction.
Any individual wanting to retain their unit will need to pay their entire balance on or before Wednesday October 15, 2025.
No personal checks will be accepted for storage units that are in lien.
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION STORAGE UNIT AUCTION
Naila Day Unit#3-8
Sheila Sullivan Unit#6-5
Danny Crawford Unit#10-5
Richard Dubose Unit#2-29
Lori McGlothlin Unit#2-30
Verneeda Miller Unit#4-29
Terry Broida Unit#9-37
Warren Anderson Unit#1-16
Destiny Boastick Unit#4-1
Ramone Caldwell Unit#5-11
Vernice Bailey Unit#5-22
Linda Byrd Unit#11-43
Mark Refine Unit#C-22
Jennifer Portwood Unit#H-7
Journe Dawson Unit#1-11
Rebecca Barbier Unit#J-11

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Morton Community Bank,
Plaintiff,
Vs.
No. 2025-FC-147
Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Kay C. Moore, et. al.
Defendants.
Re: Estate of Kay C. Moore, Deceased.
NOTICE TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF KAY C. MOORE, deceased:
Notice is given of the death of Kay C. Moore. The Court has appointed Dan E. Way as Special Representative for Kay C. Moore, deceased, in the above-entitled cause seeking a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale on property located at 502 S. Wesley Steet, Springfield, IL 62703.
The address of the Special Representative is: Way Law Offices, LLC, 1100 S. Fifth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. You may direct any questions you have to him, or you may retain counsel of your own choosing, or represent yourself, or do nothing.
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 e-file. illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp.
/s/ Dan E. Way
Special Representative for Kay C. Moore, deceased.
Dan E. Way, #6204735
WAY LAW OFFICES, LLC
1100 S. Fifth Street
Springfield, IL 62703
Tel. 217-525-7003
Fax. 217-525-7012
dan@danwaylaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
Plaintiff,
vs.
2010 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER
VIN # SALSKD2D40AA217256)
Cody Osborne
No. 25-MX-776
25-AF-70
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the People of the State of Illinois, ex rel. John C. Milhiser, State's Attorney for Sangamon County, filed the above-captioned matter on August 27, 2025. UNLESS YOU file a verified Claim with the State's Attorney of Sangamon County, Illinois at the Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Room 402, Springfield, Illinois, 62701, within 45 days of this publication, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT OR DECREE MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR FORFEITURE OF THE ABOVE ASSETS PURSUANT TO ILLINOIS FORFEITURE LAW.
Joe Roesch
Clerk of Court
J.W. Pierceall
Assistant State's Attorney
200 S. 9th Street, Room 402
Springfield, Illinois 62701
(217) 753-6690
Sangamoncounty.SAO.civil@sangamonil.gov

NOTICE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY
Springfield Township Road Commission will be accepting sealed bids until Tuesday, October 7, 2025, 3:00 p.m., for the following surplus property. All sales are final and sold "as is" with no guarantees.
Bid Item Number- Item Name - Description
1 - Ingersoll Rand RT706E Pneumatic Tire Forklift - 16.9-24 tires, 2635 hours on meter, 3-stage mast, diesel engine.
2 - Fiat Allis FR10 Wheel Loader, SN: 611404 - 0559 hours on meter, needs some repairs.
3 - Fiat Allis 100-C Road Grader, SN: 27Y08892 - 14.00-24TG, needs some repairs.
4 - Dra-Grader w/leveler Pull type/7 way function - needs some repairs.
5 - 2007 Freightliner M2 Business Class Truck Street Cleaner, VIN: 17HY15194 - Automatic transmission, C7 Cat diesel engine, dual drive equipped with Allianz Johnston MT350 Sweeper, JD engine.
Surplus equipment may be inspected by setting an appointment at the Springfield Township Road Commission Office, telephone number 217-523-4393, 3298 Terminal Avenue, Springfield, Illinois, Monday – Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Springfield Township Road Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Only sealed bids will be accepted. All sealed bids must be mailed or delivered to Springfield Township Road Commission Office – Attn: Bid, 3298 Terminal Avenue, Springfield, IL 62707, on or before October 7, 2025, by 3:00 p.m. All bids will be opened on October 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Springfield Township Board Meeting.
When submitting your sealed bid, include your full name, telephone number, the item(s) you are bidding on, and the amount you would like to bid for each item. The winning bidder will be contacted on October 9, 2025.

Date of Sale: September 24, 2025 @ 1:00 P.M. 3142 S. Douglas Avenue, Suite A, Springfield, IL 62704
BLD KK #9 5x12
Curry, Kurt
16 Concord Square #2
Boston, MA 02118
BLD W #10 5x10

Griham, Kelen
2901 Normandy Road
Springfield, IL 62703
BLD A #96 10x10
Hughes, Lance
1422 N. Church Street
Decatur, IL 62526
BLD W #23 10x10
Richter, Laura
553 E. Andrew Road
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BLD A #83/84 10x20
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Springfield, IL 62702
BLD A #166 10x10
Sphar, Martin
1310 Outer Park Drive Apt 11
Springfield, IL 62704
BLD H #41 10x15
Walton, Todd
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Rochester, IL 62563
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Springfield, IL 62704

25-102566
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
PLAINTIFF,
-vs-
CRISTINA R. VAN BIBBER A/K/A CRISTINA VAN BIBBER A/K/A CRISTINA RAE VANBIBBER, MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC.; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS
DEFENDANTS
NO. 25 FC 39
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on June 4, 2025;
Jack L Campbell, Sheriff, #1 Sheriff's Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701, will on November 4, 2025 at 9:00 AM, at Sangamon South 1 Copley Plaza Springfield, IL 62701, sell to the highest bidder for ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours, the following described premises situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.
Said sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition.
Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court.
Said property is legally described as follows: Lot 79 of Pasfield Park West Third Addition to the City of Springfield, Illinois.
Except the coal, oil, gas and other minerals underlying the land and all rights and easements in favor of the estate of said coal, oil, gas and other minerals.
Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Commonly known as 2636 West Lawrence Avenue, Springfield, IL 62704
Permanent Index No.: 14-31.0-177.002
Improvements: Single Family Residential
The property will NOT be open for inspection prior to the sale and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property.
The judgment amount was \$143,528.64. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this information. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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8051-958276

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF SANGAMON, ss.
In the Circuit Court of the SEVENTH Judicial Circuit, Sangamon County, Illinois Capitol Plaza Essential Housing LLC, Plaintiff, vs. Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Cordaro Davis and Unknown Occupants, Defendants, No. 2025EV001183.
The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Cordaro Davis, Defendant, that the above entitled action has been filed against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois, for the recovery of the possession of real estate located at: 1210 E. Washington St, Apt. 302, Springfield, IL
You are hereby required to appear in person on October 20, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in courtroom 5C, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, for trial of this cause. You are further required to file your appearance by yourself or your attorney at the same place and time. Now unless you, the said above named defendants, appear at that time and place fixed for trial, judgments by default will be entered against you for the possession of the aforesaid premises and an order for possession will be issued out of said court by which you will be dispossessed of said premises.
CLERK OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT
Costello Sury & Rooney, #6304972, Attorneys, One Lincoln Centre, Suite 1670; Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois 60181

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS
SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS
Keiona Smith
Petitioner
v.
Demarcus Green Sr
Defendant
Case No: 2025-OP-1619
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
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THE COMPLAINT.
Date: 9/22/2025
JOSEPH B. ROESCH
Clerk of the Circuit Court
8051-958303

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS Melissa Lagrand Petitioner v. William Lagrand Defendant

Case No: 2025-OP-1623
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS Krystal Knight Moore Petitioner v. Keterra Dixon Defendant

Case No: 2025-OP-1630
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS Adam Garecht Petitioner v. Doug Bartlett Defendant

Case No: 2025-OP-1642
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS Latanya Halliburton Petitioner v. Elgin Longstreet Defendant

Case No: 2025-OP-1545

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS Zachary Talkington Petitioner v. Katlyn Kelosky Defendant

Case No: 2025-OP-1709
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS Kristina Hutton Petitioner v. Matthew Hutton Defendant

Case No: 2025-OP-1532
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS Sonia Jafrin Petitioner v. Km Ghalid Defendant

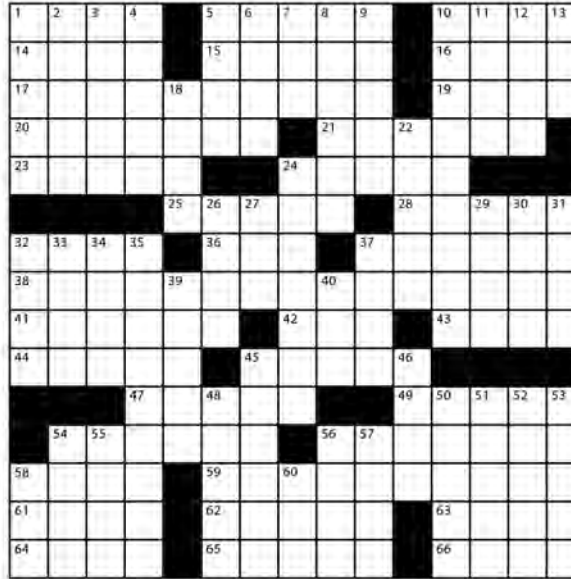
Case No: 2025-OP-1718
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Hits Edited by J. Reynolds - No. 912

Across

1. Litter box users
5. Hindu master
10. Snake's warning
14. Mine: Fr.
15. Like forks
16. Archipelago part
17. Like some lines
19. Prefix with -algia
20. Create a flip book, say
21. Big name in cosmetics
23. "A pity"
24. Med. centers
25. Scarecrow stuffing
28. Strainer
32. Gymnast Korbut
36. Mr. Rogers
37. Extent
38. Risk-it-all bet
41. Block houses
42. Suffix with pant or aunt
43. Change for a twenty
44. Stringed instruments
45. Threw in
47. Peace goddess
49. Actor Milo
54. Meet, as expectations
56. Irish dogs
58. Meat
59. Baseball rarity
61. Let up
62. Artist's stand
63. Der ___ Adenauer
64. Happy
65. Twists
66. Honk



Down

1. Spanish houses
2. ___ acid
3. Author Morrison and singer Braxton
4. Fraternity letter
5. Leave in, as text
6. Ring bearer
7. Singer DiFranco
8. Easygoing
9. Think tank nuggets
10. It may be 20/20
11. "Amazing Grace" ending
12. Bit of slander
13. To be, in Barcelona
18. Boys
22. Unexpected sports outcome
24. Rural outing
26. ___ bien
27. Aussie hopper
29. Canal of song
30. ___ diagram
31. Brain tests, for short
32. Lyrical
33. Opera house box
34. Shorebird
35. Like child labor
37. Two tablets, maybe
39. France's longest river
40. Actor Beatty
45. Hooded jacket
46. Lavish affection (on)
48. Kitchen extensions?
50. March parade VIP
51. Conversation starter
52. Muse of love poetry
53. To this point
54. Mideast money
55. "___ girl!"
56. Gush forth
57. Building additions
58. One of Captain Ahab's legs
60. Expert finish?

Puzzle answers from this week will appear here next week



Crossword answers from #911

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

Sudoku answers from #911

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

JoshJosh answers from #911

JoshJosh by J. Reynolds - No. 912

Fill the grid with digits so as not to repeat a digit in any row or column, and so that the digits within each heavily outlined box will produce the target number shown, by using addition, subtraction, multiplication or division, as indicated in the box. A 6x6 grid will use 1-6.

24x		1-		13+	
	10+		11+		5
12+		3-		2÷	3-
3-	4x		36x		
		1-		1-	

Difficulty hard

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

Difficulty medium

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