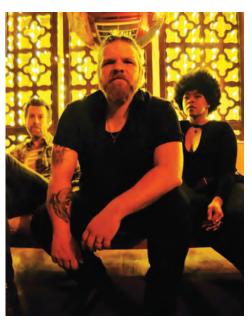
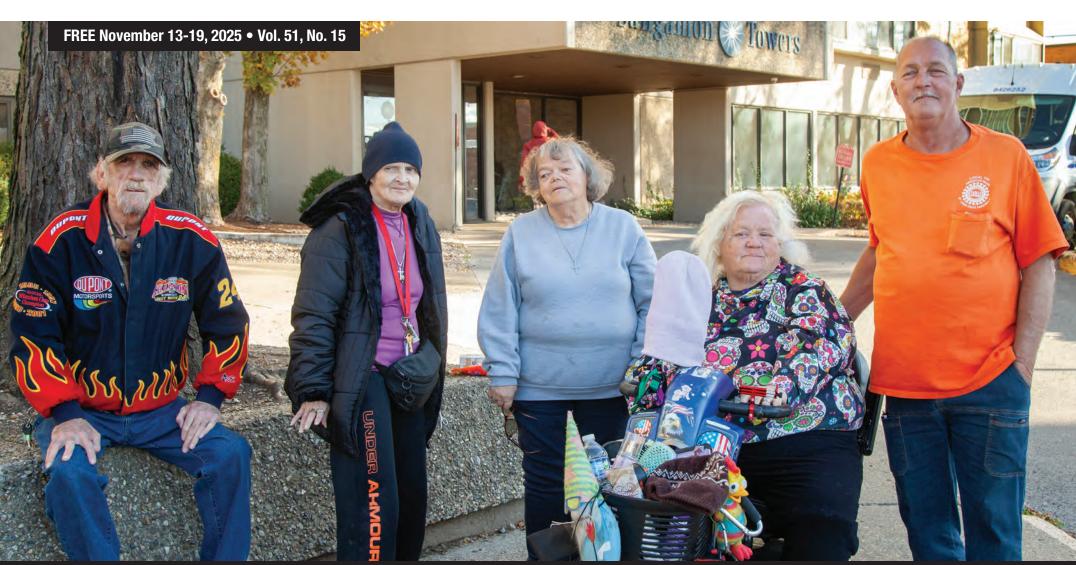




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Advocating for change

Newly formed PURPLE Coalition aims to tackle unresolved inequalities

ADVOCACY | Dean Olsen

With one listening session under its belt, the newly formed PURPLE Coalition is beginning what its members hope will be years of advocacy on behalf of Blacks and other chronically disadvantaged people in the Springfield area.

Tiara Standage, president of the People United for Reform, Power, Liberation and Equity Coalition, said the organization was born out of frustration surrounding a lack of progress in resolving longstanding racial inequities in economic opportunity, public safety and law enforcement.

"We just see a lot of talking in our community, honestly, and a lot of the problems that are in the community, especially on the east side, are still present," Standage told *Illinois Times* after an Oct. 14 news conference announcing the coalition's formation.

Made up entirely of volunteers and organized as a limited liability company, the Springfield-based coalition will "bring our community together, not through fear or division, but through understanding and community," she said. "We will keep listening, keep organizing and keep pushing until justice, transparency and compassion are the standard, not the exception," she said.

Standage said the group's name is an "ode" to Sonya Massey, the 36-year-old Black woman who was murdered in her home in Woodside Township, just outside the borders of Springfield's east side, in July 2024 by former Sangamon County sheriff's deputy Sean Grayson. The acronym formed by the coalition's name was Massey's favorite color.

Grayson, 31, was found guilty of second-



A group of community activists, led by Tiara Standage, at podium, announced the formation of the People United for Reform, Power, Liberation and Equity Coalition, or The Purple Coalition, at an Oct. 14 event held at the Old State Capitol. PHOTO BY ZACH ADAMS

degree murder in Massey's death on Oct. 29. He is scheduled to be sentenced Jan. 29.

Massey's death spawned the creation of the Massey Commission, a grassroots group financially supported by the Sangamon County Board that held months of public meetings and recently issued 26 "calls to action" for the community.

Massey Commission Managing Director Kelly Hurst said the commission's funding from the County Board runs out at the end of the year. The commission is looking into options for creating a new group to continue the commission's work, she said.

The commission plans to issue a formal report by the end of 2025, according to Hurst, the equity and inclusion strategist for Southern Illinois University School of Medicine's Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

The PURPLE Coalition plans to push community leaders to adopt the Massey Commission's recommendations but will be free to pursue its own agenda, according to Ken Pacha, the coalition's media director. Many coalition members already are community activists and have spoken frequently in front of the Springfield City Council and to other local governmental bodies.

The coalition's members include Ray Massey, an uncle of Sonya Massey, and Massey Commission member Calvin Christian. The coalition also includes Sangamon County Board member Reggie Guyton, a Springfield Democrat representing District 21, Shatriya Smith, Lesa Johnson, Vanessa Knox and Izayah Thomas.

The coalition's LLC status will allow it to endorse candidates and become politically ac-

tive in ways that nonprofits can't, Pacha said.

He said at the news conference that the coalition doesn't need to be concerned with "keeping donors happy." Instead, it will work to "make our city a model for what reform and equity look like," he said.

"Springfield has been punished by the failures of previous generations to foster equity, speak truth to power, ensure liberty and demand reform," Pacha said. "That failure will no longer be overlooked, brushed aside, ignored or left for someone else to clean up. We will challenge institutions, yes, but we will also collaborate when possible."

The coalition's first listening session, held Nov. 3 at Springfield's First Presbyterian Church, 321 S. Seventh St., attracted about 50 people. The second session is scheduled from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Nov. 17 at the downtown church.

More information about the coalition is available on Facebook or by emailing thepurplecoalition25@gmail.com. □

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Editor's note

Just as everybody knows who started the war in Ukraine, everybody knows the party to blame for the big jump in health insurance premiums. And we know who tried to cut off SNAP benefits, fired thousands of government workers and caused airline chaos. It wasn't Sen. Richard Durbin of Springfield. He and a few other adults in the Democrat room finally ended the shutdown, to the consternation of Bernie Sanders, Elizabeth Warren, Hakeem Jeffries and most of the other Democrats. It's not as though their shutdown health care holdout was working. No, it will likely require midterm elections to clean up the looming Republican Medicaid disaster. Meanwhile Durbin, the whip who knows how to put votes together in a tough political fight, will take the blame for capitulation. And he'll likely get no credit for government jobs saved, food aid restored and families making their flights for Thanksgiving. But Springfield knows political courage when we see it. Thanks, Senator Durbin. – Fletcher Farrar, editor

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Voters to weigh tax increase for mental health board

Sangamon County Board to vote next month on specifics for March referendum

MENTAL HEALTH | Dilpreet Raju

A second commission formed by the Sangamon County Board has run its course, with the Sangamon County Mental Health Commission wrapping up its final meeting on Nov. 5 – one week after the Massey Commission held its final public meeting.

The Mental Health Commission unanimously voted to approve language for a March referendum asking Sangamon County residents if they would approve a half-percent sales tax increase (an additional 5 cents per \$10 of goods purchased, 50 cents per \$100) to fund a county mental health board that would disburse such taxes toward various mental health initiatives. The tax would not be included on grocery or medication purchases. If approved, the tax would generate more than \$14 million for a mental health board, according to county estimates.

Mike Murphy, president and CEO of The Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce, chaired the commission and presented its findings to the County Board on Nov. 10, along with the commission publishing its final report, which includes additional recommendations for instituting a mental health board.

"The message we heard was consistent and clear: our community is asking for stronger, more coordinated mental health support," said Murphy, a Republican member of the Statehouse from 2018 through 2021and former owner of Charlie Parker's Diner. "A 708 mental health board is a locally governed board that does not provide services directly but instead coordinates, funds and strengthens the network of providers already serving our residents."

He emphasized that the county's existing support systems for people in need of mental health care are inadequate and, sometimes, even unknown to community members.

"We do have some programs that I



Mike Murphy, center, chair of the Sangamon County Mental Health Commission, talks at the final meeting Nov. 5. He presented the commission's findings to the County Board on Nov. 10. which recommended a sales tax increase that would fund a mental health board. PHOTO BY DILPREET RAIU

described as 'an inch deep and a foot wide' that need to be a lot better," he said. "This mental health board will not provide services. They provide funding for people who do provide services, The other thing I hope they can do is help coordinate and educate the people on our services that we have here, because that came across loud and clear – we have a lot of services that people don't know about."

The vast majority of counties in Illinois have public entities funding mental health efforts, dubbed 708 boards after the decades-old Illinois bill-turned-law to grant the creation of such boards through a public vote, which approve funding for local social service organizations through some form

of tax revenue. While grants regularly prop up nonprofit organizations, 708 boards can stabilize funding for mental health services.

Josh Sabo, commissioner and executive director of Heartland Housed, told the County Board that funding mental health services can be preventative in addition to providing more crisis solutions.

"Community-rooted programs produce high-value prevention outcomes, stretching public dollars further and improving long-term results," Sabo said. "The data, the stories and the evidence all point to the same conclusion: Sangamon County needs a sustainable, accountable way to fund and coordinate mental health care and a 708 mental health board is a proven model to do that. There are already more than 90 communities in Illinois that have a similar board, and we have a chance to turn what began as a cry for help into a lasting structure of care and accountability."

In September, county administrator Brian McFadden showed the Mental Health Commission two different tax levy models the county could utilize to fund a mental health board (see table at bottom).

Murphy, chair of the commission, shared why commissioners favored utilizing a sales tax over a property tax.

"I didn't take this (position) being excited about recommending an increase in either property or sales tax. We just thought the best way, the least painful for our residents, would be that sales tax," he told the County Board.

County Board Chair Andy Van Meter reminded members of the board that, if approved by voters, such funding will not be at the discretion of politicians but mental health professionals.

"It won't be allocation by politicians. This will be allocation by professionals in the field," Van Meter said. □

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0.15%	\$8,151,750	





Key Illinois Democrats at odds with Durbin over shutdown vote

Durbin was among eight Democratic senators to back plan to reopen federal government **STATE | Ben Szalinski, Capitol News Illinois**

U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin is once again at odds with other prominent Illinois Democrats over a vote that set in motion a plan to end the record-long federal government shutdown.

Durbin, who is not seeking reelection in 2026, was one of eight members in the Senate Democratic caucus to join Republicans in supporting a procedural vote to begin the process of passing legislation to fund the government, which entered its 41st day without a budget on Nov. 10. But that package will not include health care subsidies that Democrats had demanded be included in a bill to reopen the government.

"Republicans finally woke up and realized their Groundhog Day needed to end," Durbin said in a statement Nov. 9. "This bill is not perfect, but it takes important steps to reduce their shutdown's hurt. Not only would it fully fund SNAP for the year ahead, but it would reverse the mass firings the Trump Administration ordered throughout the shutdown."

Senate Democrats believe they secured a promise from Senate Republican leaders to hold a Senate vote on the Affordable Care Act tax credits. The tax credits expire at the end of the year, setting the stage for health care premiums to skyrocket. Congressional Democrats have refused for more than a month to vote for any bill that did not include new health care tax credits to rein in costs.

But many of Illinois' top Democrats are opposed to the Durbin-backed funding plan. It also marks the second time this year Durbin has found himself at odds with Gov. JB Pritzker over a Senate vote to fund the government.

Pritzker, who is widely discussed as a possible 2028 presidential candidate, said he favors continuing to fight President Donald Trump with a government shutdown, which many Democrats believe gives their party leverage to force Republicans to support funding the ACA subsidies.

"This is not a deal — it's an empty promise," Gov. JB Pritzker said on social media. "Trump and his Republican Congress are making healthcare more expensive for the middle class and ending it for working families. Time for Democrats to stand tall for affordable healthcare."



U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin speaks at the Illinois Democratic County Chairs' Association brunch on Aug. 13, 2025. (Capitol News Illinois PHOTO BY JERRY NOWICKI

Durbin also sided with Republicans in March and voted for the spending plan that kept the government open through September. That triggered outrage from many Democrats who favored shutting down the government at the time to make it harder for Trump to implement his agenda.

Pritzker said in March that Durbin's decision was a "huge mistake," and he was "dead wrong."

Candidates disagree with Durbin

The three leading Democrats running to replace Durbin are all opposed to the plan to reopen the government.

"The Republican shutdown has caused immense suffering for Illinois families, and that pain will be compounded exponentially because Democrats let the GOP off the hook," Lt. Gov. Juliana Stratton said in a statement. "While we all want to see food assistance fully funded and federal workers paid and protected, healthcare for millions of Americans cannot be the tradeoff. An empty promise is not enough."

Stratton also publicly criticized Durbin's vote in March.

Reps. Robin Kelly, of Lynwood, and Raja Krishnamoorthi, of Schaumburg, said they will vote against the funding plan whenever it arrives in the House.

"We will not cave to broken promises from Trump and the GOP who have sold the American people a bill of goods on so many things, but especially their access to quality health care," Kelly said in a statement.

Krishnamoorthi said his red line will continue to be whether ACA credits are preserved.

"I lived through more than 50 attempts by Donald Trump in his first term to repeal Obamacare and continued statements that he's going to gut the Affordable Care Act now," Krishnamoorthi said in a video statement on Nov. 10. "So I cannot in good conscious believe that all of the sudden he's going to take actions right now to strengthen Obamacare."

End to flight delays, SNAP woes

Illinois has seen escalating impacts from the record government shutdown.

About 2 million people have been stuck in limbo this month over whether they will receive federal food benefits from SNAP. The U.S. Department of Agriculture told states last month that they would not distribute November SNAP benefits as the shutdown continued.

Whether USDA must use contingency funds to pay full benefits has been an ongoing legal battle in the federal court system since Nov. 1.

Travelers through Chicago's airports could also see some relief when the government reopens. A growing number of air traffic controllers have called out of work after not getting paid for the last month, leading the Federal Aviation Administration last week to require airlines to cancel flights at 40 airports, including O'Hare and Midway, because of staffing shortages that cause delays to stack up.

O'Hare was one of the worst airports for delays on Sunday, according to FlightAware, with 16% of departures canceled and 53% delayed. □

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Russell Stewart Anders

November 23, 1944 - October 10, 2025

Russell Stewart Anders, a beloved father, brother, and cherished member of the Springfield community, passed away peacefully on October 10, 2025, at the age of 80 in his hometown of Springfield, IL. Born on November 23, 1944, also in Springfield, Russell's life was one marked by dedication, service, and the joy he brought to those around him.



Russell was a proud United States Navy veteran. His years of service were highlighted by his role as a Navy Photographer, capturing moments that would become part of our nation's history. Following his honorable discharge, he continued to contribute to his community through his work with the Plumbing and Steamfitters Union and as a Plumbing Inspector for the City of Springfield. His commitment to his work spanned over four decades, during which he was known for his diligence, intelligence, and integrity.

Beyond his professional life, Russell was a man of many interests and talents. For years, he donned the red suit and white beard, embodying the spirit of Santa Claus for the Sid Wood Memorial Toy Run, bringing smiles and joy to countless children during the holiday season. His passion for building model cars and semis was more than a hobby; it was a testament to his handy and wise nature, as he meticulously crafted each piece with love and attention to detail.

He is survived by his son, Russell Anders II, of Springfield, and his sister, Joan Elaine Nichols of Houston, TX, and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; six siblings, Alice Dahl, Richard Lee Anders, Letha Houston, Richard Anders, Richard Franklin Anders and Mattie Rosetta Luck and grandson, Russell Stewart Anders III.

Russell Stewart Anders will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. His life was one well-lived, and his legacy will endure through the lives he touched, the work he accomplished, and the love he shared.



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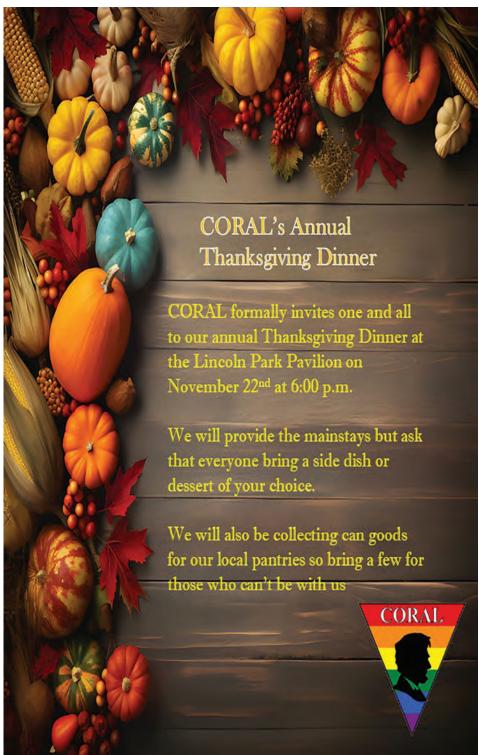
Memorial Service: 12:30 pm, Friday, November 14, 2025,

at Staab Funeral Home – Springfield with Pastor Bob Dennison officiating.

Burial will follow at Camp Butler National Cemetery where military honors will be conducted.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Sid Wood Memorial Toy Run.

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Taking action to address overdoses

Experts skeptical of city's plan, say additional services need to be in place first

OPIOIDS | Dilpreet Raju

Experts in overdose response told *Illinois Times* they're skeptical of Springfield's capacity to treat people in need, despite the recent announcement that the city will use its share of opioid settlement funds to launch a crisis response team to aid people experiencing an overdose or mental health crisis.

Last month, Mayor Misty Buscher announced the Bridging Emergency and Community Outreach Network, or BEACON, which will be a city-run alternate 911 response team. Buscher said the city plans to purchase a new ambulance for BEACON, although it will not be used in the same way as traditional ambulances. Instead, it will be staffed by Springfield firefighters and licensed clinical social workers who will seek to connect people to treatment services.

Springfield Fire Chief Nick Zummo told council members last month that although BEACON's main equipment will be an ambulance, the program's framework is to get medical care to people in need rather than transport people in need of immediate resuscitation or social services to an already overwhelmed emergency department.

"We all work together as a team, as a community, as a city, to bring a treatment first, transport second product. Our idea is to get the right people in the streets to hopefully deliver the right care for the people that are in need," Zummo told council members. "We're hoping that bringing EMTs along with the social workers, and treating the people in the field, is going to get them the right help. But that's not always the case, and if it is an opioid issue, things can go south very quickly when they're on scene and we can transport if needed."

Jonathan Stoltman, director of the national research think tank Opioid Policy Institute, which examines how local governments spend settlement funds, said the program sounds promising but an existing care network needs to be functional for people to actually receive treatment.

"I can see the potential here, and it's hard to say more not knowing the current treatment infrastructure, because success really hinges on that connection to evidence-based care," Stoltman said. That includes the availability of medications for opioid-use disorder, such as buprenorphine, methadone and naltrexone, he said.

He also said that the ambulance purchased for the program should not be paid in full by settlement dollars, in his opinion.



Springfield Fire Department Chief Nick Zummo, at podium, is flanked by Mayor Misty Buscher and Springfield City Council members during an Oct 21 announcement about creating the Bridging Emergency and Community Outreach Network. Opioid overdose settlement money will fund a city-run alternate 911 response team that will aid people experiencing an overdose. PHOTO BY DILPREET RAJU

"I don't love when opioid settlement money pays the full freight for something that will only partially be used to respond to the opioid crisis. It doesn't sound like BOLT is an opioid-dedicated response vehicle or team, so it shouldn't be paid in full with opioid settlement money," Stoltman said.

Jennifer Carroll, an associate professor of anthropology at North Carolina State University who researches the lived experiences of substance use and various impacts of drug policy, told *Illinois Times* the alternative response proposal sounds good on paper. However, there needs to be ample treatment available for patients who are contacted by the BEACON program, she said.

"It's pretty safe to say we have a total of five evidence-based, well-established, tried-and-true, known overdose prevention strategies," Carroll said. Those strategies include:

- 1. Availability of "naloxone for reversing overdoses"
- 2. Accessibility to "medication for opioiduse disorder"
- 3. "Syringe service programs for access to all those things and then it turns out just being in a destigmatizing environment enables people to make all kinds of healthier choices all around"

- 4. Prevalence of "drug-checking programs, which is also prevention and it helps people essentially know what's in their supply"
- 5. "Overdose prevention sites, because that's a combination of all of those things and it's a stigma-free environment, so people can be open about what's happening."

Giving naloxone to first responders, medical professionals and the general public became a priority of the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration in recent years, but Carroll said more comprehensive services are needed if more lives are to be saved.

"We need a broad availability of services," she said, referring to the five strategies she cited. "Those are the things that you need to have access to and then all the window dressing – which is all a really, really good idea – has to link out to those things that are already robustly there."

Springfield has three dedicated providers of medication-assisted therapy, which uses a variety of drugs that can ease cravings and withdrawal symptoms for people attempting to stop using harsher drugs: Family Guidance Centers, Gateway Foundation and Rose Medical Association. However, any licensed doctor can prescribe these medications, typically methadone, buprenorphine or

suboxone.

The Phoenix Center and Intricate Minds are the only syringe-exchange services in the capital city.

Meanwhile, overdose prevention sites have become common in a number of countries outside the U.S. The U.S. currently has one state-approved overdose prevention site, located in South Providence, Rhode Island. New York City's two overdose prevention sites operate with approval from the city and Mayor Eric Adams, though no state laws protect OnPoint NYC, the nonprofit that runs the two sites.

Carroll said that while the gold standard of an overdose prevention site is unlikely for most communities, the demand for substance-use disorder treatment should not outweigh the actual system of care.

"I understand that overdose prevention sites might not be politically feasible in all places, but those are the big five (tactics), and so, do we have enough of those? Do we have so much of those that we literally just need to go into the street and be like, 'Hey, we have so much naloxone. We have so much treatment availability. Who wants some?'" she said. "That's what your street outreach team can do, and that's what the post-overdose response team can do."



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OPINION

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JUST SAY NO

We should reflect deeply on this question: Do we value the people and the livelihood of our community over a Texas-based AI company that has come for our land and resources ("First data center in Sangamon County," Oct. 23)?

If we do, then we should be saying no to CyrusOne's proposal for the construction and opening of a data center anywhere near Springfield and its surrounding communities. There will always be other business ventures to invest in, but artificial intelligence – the thing being used to replace human workers, making life-changing decisions for humans without any other human input and replacing the human gift of ingenuity – is not one



The first data center in Sangamon County is slated to be located here -- west of the intersection of Thayer and Clark roads in Talkington Township, 14 miles southwest of Springfield, across the road from the recently completed Double Black Diamond solar farm installation. HOTO BY ZACH ADAMS

Portland Response To "Shimmy"

How can anyone be blamed for dancing the "Shimmy" when even a cockroach can't resist it in the face of jazzy music? Dr. Helen Clark, head of psychology department here, is authority for the statement: "The Shimmy is fast becoming the popular indoor sport for cockroaches." She has proved to her students that soft, tuneful music sends a healthy cockroach into an emotional trance which finds expression in rhythmic dance. And high strains produce an ecstatic response which has a semblance of The Shimmy. "Similar results are observed in the angleworm which wriggles and shivers in perfect cadence with a popular dance step."

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we should ever approve of or invest in. Not only is AI robbing us of our humanity, but it's robbing us of our very lives, creating environmental hazards through sound pollution, air pollution and consuming resources such as water and electricity meant for humans.

No matter what CyrusOne does to try and convince or reassure us, the costs of having this data center are inevitably going to come back on the people who live here. It promises that the initial construction offers jobs for laborers and later for allegedly some 100 skilled workers, but the negative financial and environmental impact is going to affect all 200,000-plus of us living in the area and all generations that come after us.

And again, all to expand the power of AI – the thing designed to replace all of us and our children. Is that what we want for ourselves and our community? Is that what

we want Springfield to stand for – our own destruction?

Alicia Lewis

Springfield

GOOD INVESTMENT

Let them build the data center. Sangamon County could use some forward-thinking and planning projects to build a future for its residents.

Jerry Schultz Springfield

BAD FOR ENVIRONMENT

I find it is the height of irony that billiondollar companies' failure to pay taxes has placed us in desperate straits, ripe for moving in data centers that ramp up fossil fuel use and destruction of farmland.

Anne Logue Springfield

BLAME THE EMPLOYERS

Looks like DOT Foods and JBS might just have to raise their wages enough so the jobs are appealing to legal Americans ("Immigrants helped save this Illinois meatpacking town," Oct. 9). Why should we allow big corporations to undercut working-class wages with undocumented immigrants? Franky Robertson Via Facebook.com/illinoistimes

DON'T BLAME IMMIGRANTS

MAGA morons won't read this story because it will contradict President Donald Trump brainwashing them to believe immigrants are the cause of their challenges, not the concentration of wealth in the hands of the 1%. When their meat prices get higher, they will blame Democrats.

Evan Mahan Via Facebook.com/illinoistimes







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OPINION

Leaks lead to lecture

POLITICS | Rich Miller

House Democratic legislators received a stern lecture during the second week of veto session about leaks from their private party caucus meetings.

During the first week of veto session in October, I posted a photo on my blog of a caucus PowerPoint presentation showing the range of revenue ideas under consideration in the House to fund mass transit ... while the caucus was still meeting. That apparently caused quite a stir.

Then, at the beginning of the veto session's second week, I posted a narrative from the caucus meeting about the House Democratic revenue plan for mass transit ... again, while the caucus was still meeting. That turned out to be the final straw.

Leadership quickly clamped down. Staff members were disbursed throughout Statehouse Hearing Room 114 (where the majority party caucus meetings have traditionally been held) during a subsequent caucus meeting to keep an eye on members' mobile phone usage. Members were told that leakers would be "invited to not caucus with us anymore," according to a participant. And if the leaks continued and the culprits weren't caught, duly elected House members were warned they'd be required to check their mobile phones at the door.

I've dealt with this sort of thing for as long as I've been writing about the legislature, but it hasn't made me stop.

I realized long ago that much of the "real" business of the state legislature was conducted, or at least openly discussed behind closed doors during party caucus meetings. If you wanted to know what was happening or what was about to happen, it seemed obvious to me that a good way of doing that was to find out what was happening at those meetings.

Almost nobody liked that idea, except for my readers. Caucus meetings are supposedly a place where legislators can express thoughts that they can't or won't say in public.

I get that. But it's not my problem.
Plus, I admit, the cloak and dagger tactics I sometimes have to use to obtain this

information can often be fun.

House Speaker Michael Madigan's people were furious whenever I wrote about what went on behind closed doors in the 1990s.

I was having dinner with my parents at a Springfield restaurant when a person close to then-Senate President Phil Rock angrily berated me for writing about the "sacred" caucus meetings (we've long since made up).

Senate President Pate Philip threatened

to eject members from the SGOP caucus for leaking to me (which I, of course, wrote about the next day). Pate was convinced that then-Sen. Judy Baar Topinka was my source, but little did he know that one of his favorites was my main backup (that person is still alive, so I won't mention his name).

Senate President Emil Jones not only threatened to kick members out of his caucus for leaking to me, but he also threatened members of his own leadership team with ejection for talking to me about their highlevel, high-stakes meetings about Speaker Madigan's feud with Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

Eventually, things mostly chilled out. Madigan stopped holding regular caucus meetings for a time, but he eventually grew to at least grudgingly accept the leaks. Both Senate Presidents John Cullerton and Don Harmon decided not to make a big deal about it.

I kinda chuckled when I heard about the recent attempt at intimidating elected Illinois Representatives because those two veto session House Democratic caucus leaks didn't

come to me directly from members. House members were texting lobbyists, who, as loyal subscribers, forwarded those texts to me. I confirmed their authenticity and published them.

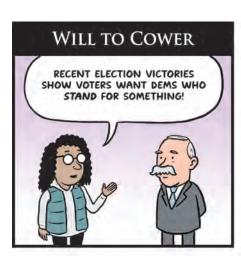
It's been my experience that human beings love sharing information, even (and often especially) when they're told not to.

And it's not like these are nuclear weapons secrets or something. It's state government, not the CIA.

Also, the contents of that photo of House revenue options ended up in legislative constituent surveys not long after the caucus meeting. The Illinois Policy Institute published screen shots of one of those surveys the same day I posted the photo. And the revenue list I posted during the second week was made public just hours later when the House unveiled its doomed mass transit bill.

As Elvis Costello once sang: "I used to be disgusted, and now I try to be amused." . □

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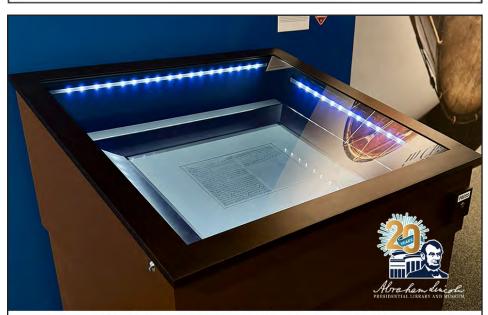
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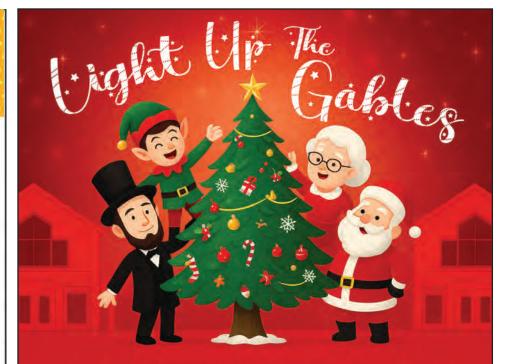
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OPINION

My Honor Flight, "a full and rewarding day"

GUESTWORK | Gary D. Bacon

In late 1969, I enlisted for four years in the U.S. Army. I was assigned to the U.S. Army Security Agency. Eventually, I was assigned to a duty station in Germany.

I am currently 76 years old. I have known about the Land of Lincoln Honor Flights to Washington, D.C., for years and had been asked by friends at my church and family members to participate in one of the flights. Like some other veterans I have spoken to, I always felt that those flights should be reserved for combat veterans who served in World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan.

Finally, after much thought and discussions with friends and family, earlier this year I decided to sign up for one of the flights. My son-in-law, Kirk Ryan, volunteered to accompany me as my guardian for this flight. Kirk, a 20-year U.S. Marine veteran who retired from the military four years ago, had never visited Washington, D.C. It was an excellent opportunity for both of us. We were scheduled to take the Sept. 9 Honor Flight.

On the evening of Sept. 8, we attended the Honor Flight dinner held at the VFW in Springfield. We had a wonderful meal, special speakers and music. It was an exciting evening. As an added bonus, I discovered that a good friend of mine and his son from Arthur, Illinois, would also be on the flight. It was great to see them, catch up on our families and share this experience together.

Early the next morning we gathered at the Springfield airport and departed for Washington, D.C. We had an incredible experience. We were greeted at the airport in D.C. by another set of volunteers who assisted us in boarding buses and aided those vets who required wheelchairs. The weather was sunny and warm with a gentle breeze blowing all day

Kirk had a "bucket list" of sites he hoped we would visit. The day was filled with visiting all the military and war memorials. The changing of the guard at Arlington National Cemetery was the highlight of the day, a beautiful solemn ceremony. It was a full but very rewarding day. The Honor Flight staff took very good care of us. We received breakfast, lunch and dinner with several snacks throughout the day. Joan Bortolon, who was our guide on the trip, kept us informed of the day's



Gary Bacon, left, with son-in-law Kirk Ryan, who served as his guardian for the Honor Flight. Photo Courtesy Gary Bacon

events, provided food, gave us history of the sites and other insightful information throughout the day.

Upon our return to Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport, we were greeted by family, friends and numerous supporters who filled the entire airport. In addition to my family and church members, I was thrilled to see my Ansar Shrine Legion of Honor brothers (all veterans) and other Shrine members there to greet us.

A big thank you to my friends at

Laurel United Methodist Church, Pat Kuster, Howard Hennessy and others who encouraged me to participate in this rewarding and meaningful experience. I encourage any veteran to sign up and experience this event for themselves. You will not regret it. □

Gary D. Bacon is a Springfield resident who retired from the U.S. Treasury Department. He served in the U.S. Army from 1970-1974.







Left to right: Dennis Pittinger, Deborah Dishoen, Sandra Gardner, Mary Zellhofer and Troy Blumenstein are some of the Sangamon Tower residents who say they are concerned about their safety and living conditions in the building.

Seniors struggle at Sangamon Towers

Lack of resources, proximity put low-income seniors and unhoused at odds

SENIOR HOUSING | Maggie Dougherty

Early on a Friday morning in late August, a group of Springfield seniors sat around a table outside Sangamon Towers, the apartment building they call home. It was a cool morning, out of the norm for the month's heavy heat, and some wore light jackets.

"Everybody in this building should be able to come out here and enjoy a nice morning like this," said Dennis Pettinger, a resident of the building at 424 N. Fourth St. in downtown Springfield for the last 10 years.

There used to be many seniors who would sit around outside and chat, but fewer feel comfortable doing so now, Pettinger said. Residents told *Illinois Times* that is because they do not feel safe.

The Sangamon Towers apartment building is advertised online by its owner, Pacific Management, as "a community of independent living senior citizens." However, residents and their caretakers say the requirements for living there have changed over time, telling an *IT* reporter that the criteria for residents changed in 2020.

The building owners receive funding from

the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to offset the cost of rent for low-income tenants. While the Springfield Housing Authority administers the housing choice voucher program – formerly known as Section 8 – for Springfield and Sangamon County, it does not own or oversee Sangamon Towers.

"The housing assistance at Sangamon Towers is not issued by SHA," said Melissa Huffstedtler, deputy director of Springfield Housing Authority. "The SHA has nothing to do with this property."

The changing composition of the building, combined with relaxed security and a constant battle with pests, has made Sangamon Towers a place where seniors are afraid to stay, according to many residents. But for most, it is the only option they can afford.

Judy Redding, 80, moved into Sangamon Towers in 2012. Redding, like others, said the building was nice when she moved in. She recalled sprinklers watering green grass, picnic tables and flowerpots. It was common to see rabbits hopping around then, she said.

Now, following illicit substance use and numerous reported acts of public sexual indecency on those picnic tables, they have been removed, leaving seniors few places to gather. And instead of rabbits, there are rats.

"There's a lot of us who would love for it to be a senior building again," Redding said.

While Pacific Management did not respond to interview requests, residents and home health workers told *IT* they estimate a third or more of current residents are not seniors. The building has 122 units, and while several are currently vacant due to a recent fire, the Pacific Management website notes that waiting lists are common.

Health and safety concerns

Many seniors expressed frustration with the building's proximity to Washington Street Mission, directly south, and St. John's Bread Line, run by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Springfield, across the street. The Mission provides services to the unhoused including clothes and hygiene items, showers, laundry services and a warming and cooling center

during extreme temperatures, while the Breadline offers hot meals seven days a week to those in need. The most direct path between the two nonprofits for those seeking food and services is a small alleyway behind Sangamon Towers.

"The traffic from the Mission to the Bread Line is constant," senior resident Deborah Dishon said.

The few tables and chairs that remain outside, the seniors said, are often taken up by those who do not live in the building.

The seniors described extensive verbal and physical harassment from those encroaching on their space, including being cussed at for refusing to share a cigarette, having groceries stolen and being assaulted or injured in fights.

Although he suffered a head injury following a fight with an unhoused individual outside the building last year, Pettinger said he empathized with the people he and others identified as making their space unsafe.

"Most of us are just a paycheck away from being homeless ourselves, hell, a lot of us have been homeless," Pettinger said. "So, I do have

44Most of us are just a paycheck away from being homeless ourselves. ... **77**

- Dennis Pettinger

some empathy for them."

Washington Street Mission Director Jarid Brown said the Mission has tried to work with building ownership to collaborate on safety measures for the neighborhood, but that Pacific Management was unresponsive.

"The other neighbors in the neighborhood have all worked together to make the neighborhood safer," Brown said. "And Sangamon Towers, unfortunately, has not been one of those neighbors that has worked with us and the other businesses on this block."

The Mission does not allow drug use on its property and has worked closely with the Springfield Police Department to monitor the outside of the building and identify drug dealers in the area, according to Brown.

Washington Street Mission also does not hesitate to have individuals who violate policy legally banned from the property, Brown added. He said the Mission asked Pacific Management to give the Mission permission to ban people from the Sangamon Towers property but received no response.

"This isn't a problem created by the Mission or by Catholic Charities," Brown said. "This is a problem created by a building which is not providing adequate security measures for their own residents."

Access to the building is easily obtained, either by residents inviting in guests or by intimidation from those seeking entry. Seniors showed a reporter photos and videos of people sleeping in stairwells and public spaces of the building. They also reported accounts of unauthorized visitors walking down hallways, shaking door handles to check for rooms that are unlocked to enter.

Residents used to conduct informal welfare checks on their neighbors, Redding said, but now are often too afraid to do so.

"When I get in my apartment, the first thing I do is lock my door," Redding said.

Dishon, a small woman who banters fondly

with her friends, has lived in the building for five years. She told *IT* about being sexually assaulted in the elevator by a man who did not live there.

But, because there are no security cameras in the elevators, "it's your word against his," Dishon said. While there are cameras in the hallway outside the elevators, Dishon told a reporter that when she made a complaint to the police, she was unable to obtain video footage from Sangamon Towers as evidence. It's unclear whether she filed a formal police report.

"I don't come out of my room at night because I'm scared," Dishon added. "I don't like being like that."

Troy Blumenstein, 62, moved into a Sangamon Towers apartment in February. Within four months, he had been in two fights with people loitering outside. In the latter fight, the top layer of Blumenstein's thumb was bitten off, photos show. Blumenstein said his attacker had a knife. *IT* filed a Freedom of Information request to obtain a copy of the police report but SPD denied it, citing privacy concerns.

Building security is there to observe and report, but not to intercede, according to the seniors.

Publicly available crime data provided by the Springfield Police Department shows a total of 25 incidents between January and July of 2025 at the 400 block of North Fourth Street where the building is located, including the report filed by Blumenstein after the incident that injured his thumb.

Data was most recently uploaded in early August before the time of publication, showing an average of 3.5 criminal incidents per month. In contrast, only a total of three criminal incidents for the same seven-month time period appear in the data for the 400 block of East







Residents of Sangamon Towers, along with some of their caregivers and families, took part in a protest Oct. 30 outside the Pacific Management office in downtown Springfield to advocate for better living conditions. PHOTO BY STEVE HINRICHS





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FEATURE



Doris Surrat, a former resident of Sangamon Towers, in the new apartment where she moved with the help of Prairie State Legal Services. PHOTO BY ZACH ADAMS

Jefferson Street where Near North Village, another Pacific Management property for seniors, is located.

The majority of the incidents around the Sangamon Towers property were classified as aggravated assault or aggravated battery, but also includes an act of aggravated arson that hospitalized two people in July. The data do not reflect a fatal stabbing that occurred in the building on Sept. 13.

The police report data also fails to reflect extensive drug use on the property as documented in photos and videos taken by seniors. It is not just the smell of marijuana in the elevator that irritates seniors, but also finding used needles discarded on the ground. Needle-stick injuries can transmit serious contagious diseases including hepatitis B and C and HIV, according to the Food and Drug Administration.

And, for seniors who have struggled with substance-use disorder, the exposure to people offering drugs can be a challenge of its own.

Pettinger said he'd recently found a half dozen used needles behind his truck and described turning down frequent opportunities to purchase drugs on the property.

"A lot of us are former addicts," Pettinger said. "This is not an easy place to stay clean."

Others who live at Sangamon Towers for its proximity to local hospitals while undergoing treatment said the near-constant noise of drinking and fights at night affects their sleep and their health.

Bedbugs: 'It's an epidemic'

Those not troubled by the noise often battle another hurdle to restful sleep: the bedbugs

that have long affected residents.

Doris Surrat, 70, moved into Sangamon Towers in 2015 and lived there until two years ago. Like others who spoke with IT, she said she experienced attempted assaults, nonresidents trying to follow her into the building and stolen and damaged property.

"It's just a constant harassment," Surrat said. "It's just one thing after another and no one

But the final straw for Surrat was the bugs. Of the eight years she lived in the building, she said she had bedbugs for six of them. She said she paid for chemical treatments to fight them, but they would always come back.

By the time she left, she was storing items and furniture in plastic bags, trying to keep her belongings uncontaminated. She had to throw out an Italian leather couch, multiple beds and an antique ottoman - none of which she had money to replace on her Social Security income. She recalled thinking her own freckles were bedbug bites.

"It's mental abuse," Surrat said. "I'm a very clean person, but it's an epidemic."

Surrat was eventually able to move out and find another apartment with the help of Prairie State Legal Services, an organization that provides legal representation and services to low-income, elderly and vulnerable people.

Others were more resigned to their situation, saying they had nowhere to turn.

Redding said her three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren do not visit, in part because of her fear that they would bring the bedbugs home with them.

"We'll never get rid of these bugs," Redding said. "They'll be around when we all die."

Redding added that she wished the building's management would understand their plight.

"Let them stay here for a month." Redding said. "They should be locked in with the bedbugs, see how they like it."

Multiple people reported getting bedbug bites from just walking across the carpet in the building. A woman visiting family in the building showed bites on her feet to *Illinois Times*.

Others complained of cockroaches falling from the ceiling, attracted to the building by piles of trash in and outside.

"Seniors deserve... security and dignity"

For some, the solution to the pests and security was isolation. Catherine, a disabled resident who asked to not use her full name for fear of retribution by management, said she has only invited two close friends to her apartment in the past two years, for fear of bringing in bedbugs.

"It's totally isolating. You just can't live a normal life," Catherine said. "I can't invite people over to my house. They're either too afraid to come here or, God forbid, I would be mortified to have them see cockroaches in my hallway."

Like many interviewed, Catherine declined to give her last name out of fear that she would

face eviction as retribution for speaking to reporters. She alleged a neighbor of hers was evicted in the past when she became too vocal with her complaints.

Many complained about long delays for maintenance repairs to key facilities in the building including laundry and elevators, causing extensive wait times. Until recently, residents said they had no available laundry facilities for six months, forcing them to take clothes to a laundromat or wash them in a sink.

One of two elevators was out of order for nearly two months in the 15-story building, residents said. For seniors and people with disabilities, taking the stairs is not always a viable option. Some reported waiting an average of 15 minutes for the elevator and 30 minutes during busy periods. Many reported water leaks causing dark mold. Others reported vents and air conditioning units that did not work.

Residents had no shortage of solutions they would like to see to remedy their situation. Some wanted the building to spray full floors, rather than individual rooms, when bedbug infestations flared – in accordance with guidance from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Some suggested more regular trash collection and regulations for residents whose lack of cleanliness attracts pests.

Many sought a more secure sign-in system

for building entry, 24-hour security, cameras in the elevators and lights outside, as well as a fence blocking the alleyway behind their building to reduce traffic from those passing between the Mission and the Bread Line.

The Mission offered to pay for fencing to stop that flow of traffic, according to director Brown, but received no response from Pacific Management.

Catherine suggested that management should hire an on-site resident to live in the building who would understand the conditions more intrinsically than other staff.

"Would you want your mother, father, grandmother or grandfather living here?"
Catherine asked of the building's management.

Caregivers working in Pacific Management buildings, however, said the issues extend beyond just Sangamon Towers. One caregiver, who has worked in Sangamon Towers for over a decade, requested anonymity for fear of jeopardizing her employment.

"This is a Pacific Management problem," said the caregiver. "My seniors deserve to live with dignity and respect, with safety being the main priority."

Pacific Management did not respond to repeated requests for comment.

Pacific Management, formerly known as New Frontier Companies, was founded in 1975 by Republican fundraiser and lobbyist Bill Cellini. Cellini passed his ownership interests in the company to his children, William Jr. and Claudia Cellini, following his 2011 conviction for conspiracy to commit extortion and aiding and abetting the solicitation of a bribe.

Jeffrey Richards is currently listed as the president and chief executive officer of the company, which also owns Park Towers
Apartments, Washington Plaza and Near North Village in Springfield, along with two dozen other properties in Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska.

Multiple residents from Near North contacted *IT* with concerns similar to those reported by Sangamon Towers residents.

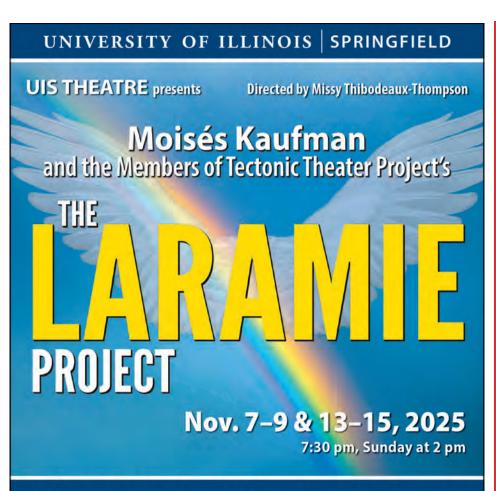
Ultimately, they all agreed that the conditions were not suitable for seniors and disabled residents.

"Seniors deserve safe, healthy, clean, living quarters that give them security and dignity in the last phase of their lives," Catherine said. "Living in an environment like this is reprehensible for seniors." □

Maggie Dougherty began reporting this story as a summer intern with Illinois Times while she finished her master's degree with Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism. She is now a Chicago-based reporter for Capitol News Illinois, headquartered in Springfield.







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Steven Patrick Moore

April 18, 1954 – Oct. 22, 2025

Steven Patrick Moore, of Winter Haven, Florida, died on Oct. 22, 2025, after a long illness. Steven was born on April 18, 1954, in Hinsdale, Illinois, the son of Robert E. Moore and Marjorie K. (Ciohon) Moore, both deceased. He is survived by his siblings, Judith Wingler of Riverton, Illinois; Cathleen (Kevin) Ray and Timothy Moore, both of Springfield, Illinois; nephews Joseph Nicoll of Salem, New Hampshire; Christopher (Julie) Wingler of Chatham, Illinois; Timothy (Reanna) Scheufele of Elgin, Illinois; and Matthew Ray of



Springfield, Illinois. Steven is also survived by several cousins and many dear friends. Beloved pets, Tammy and Rudy, both deceased, gave Steven their unconditional love and companionship and were a big part of his life.

Steven graduated from Griffin High School in 1972, earned a bachelor's degree in business from University of Illinois Springfield and a master's degree in communications from Western Illinois University. He was formerly employed as supervisor of the Instructional Resource Center, Springfield School District 186, and later operated his own media business until retirement.

Steven was a licensed pilot since 1992. He served as a volunteer and co-chair of admissions for Sun N Fun Aerospace Expo in Lakeland, Florida. Steven enjoyed photography and aviation. He especially loved his retired life in Florida and spending time with family and friends.

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Pomegranate power

Ancient, sweet fruit rich in antioxidants **FOOD I** Ashley Meyer

Pomegranates are in season now, just in time for bedazzling festive dishes and adding a ruby sparkle wherever they land. This ancient fruit has held deep symbolism and cultural significance for centuries, from tying Persephone to the underworld in Greek mythology to dyeing priestly garments in the Bible's book of Exodus. While there are a variety of pomegranates found in the Middle East, the vast majority available in the U.S. is the sweet eating pomegranate known as "Wonderful." When cut open, these pomegranates reveal glistening clusters of arils, seeds surrounded by juicy sweet-tart pulp which are eaten out of hand or used to garnish a dish.

Like other deeply pigmented fruits and vegetables, pomegranates are rich in antioxidants that work to quell inflammation throughout the body. Studies have suggested that consuming pomegranates can promote heart health and help lower LDL cholesterol levels. The arils also are rich in fiber, a component that's sorely lacking in most of our modern diets.

To access the fruit's jeweled contents, first cut off the end of the pomegranate opposite the stem end with a sharp knife, trying to puncture as few of the seeds as possible. Next, score the skin vertically in wedges, starting at the cut end and dragging the knife to the stem end. Stick the tip of the knife in the center of the cut end, then wiggle the knife to loosen the seeds in the center, then remove the knife. Use your thumbs to break apart the scored sections, revealing a multitude of garnet-hued arils. Use your fingers to separate the white membrane that surrounds the arils. Pomegranates have an excellent shelf life: an uncut pomegranate will keep in the fridge for a month and the arils last at least a week in an airtight container in the fridge.

Pomegranate arils make a colorful addition to a myriad of sweet and savory dishes. Simply toss them into yogurt or cereal for breakfast or scatter them across a bed of greens for lunch. They take almost any dish up a notch visually, effortlessly turning a basic cheeseboard into an artistic looking still life. In the drinks category, pomegranates are a natural choice in holiday cocktails and mocktails, whether in a fresh take on a cosmo or in a festive mimosa.

Pomegranates also show up in a host of cooked dishes throughout South Asia and the Middle East. These preparations are generally made with the concentrated juice of the sour pomegranates, which are not typically available fresh in the U.S. The reduced liquid ranges in consistency from maple syrup to thick



molasses. It's often used in eggplant dishes, giving them a smoky, piquant complexity. It can be sourced locally at Capital Bazaar Indian Grocery in Springfield.

Eggplant and pomegranate stew

Adapted from a recipe in *The Arab Table* by May Bisu

Ingredients:

3 pounds eggplant

3 teaspoons salt, divided

½ cup olive oil

2 pounds beef or lamb stew meat

½ teaspoon each black pepper, white pepper and allspice

Boiling water

2 medium onions, halved and sliced

1 pound carrots, cut into 1/2-inch thick rounds

1 green bell pepper, halved, seeded and diced

2 tablespoons tomato paste

4 cloves garlic, minced

2 teaspoons pomegranate syrup

1 teaspoon dried mint

Hot cooked rice, to serve

Place the eggplant in a colander and sprinkle it

with a teaspoon of salt. Set the colander over a bowl to drain.

Heat a tablespoon of the olive oil in a large heavy-bottomed pot or Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Add the meat and cook until it's browned on all sides, about eight to 10 minutes. Add the black and white pepper and allspice and toss with the meat to combine. Transfer the meat to a bowl and set aside.

Add the remaining three tablespoons of olive oil to the pot. Add the onions with a pinch of salt and sauté until they begin to soften, about five minutes. Squeeze the eggplant to remove excess moisture, then add the eggplant along with the carrots and green pepper and cook until soft, about 10 minutes. Add the tomato paste and the remaining 1/4-teaspoon each of black and white pepper and allspice. Return the meat to the pot with the vegetables and add boiling water to cover. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat to medium and simmer, covered, for an hour. Stir in the garlic, pomegranate syrup and dried mint leaves. Adjust seasoning to taste as needed. Serve over hot rice. Like most stews, this recipe is even better the next day.

Pomegranate tabbouleh

Ingredients:

1 cup cooked bulgur or quinoa, room temperature

3 cups flat leaf parsley, finely chopped

1/4 cup chopped fresh mint

½ cup thinly sliced red onion

1 cup fresh pomegranate arils

1-2 teaspoons smoked paprika 3 tablespoons honey

1/4 cup lemon juice

½ cup extra virgin olive oil

Salt, to taste

½ cup toasted pumpkin seeds

Combine all the ingredients except the pumpkin seeds in a bowl and mix thoroughly. Season to taste with salt and pepper. At this point the salad can be covered and refrigerated up to a day. Sprinkle with the pumpkin seeds just before serving.

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

Teach children citizenship

A better future requires better informed voters

BOOK REVIEW | Karen Witter

"A well-informed citizenry is the backbone of a healthy democracy," writes Lindsey Cormack in her 2024 book *How to Raise a Citizen (And Why It's Up to You to Do It)*. She contends that raising engaged and informed citizens is an often-overlooked aspect of parenting. Cormack persuasively argues that parents have an essential role in talking with their children about politics, and she provides age-appropriate ways to do so.

Cormack's book is a must-read for parents concerned about the state of our politics and wanting a better future. However, it's not just for parents. Whether you are well-versed in the Constitution or want to be better informed, this easy-to-read and insightful book is a handy reference.

A 2022 study by the Annenberg Public Policy Center at the University of Pennsylvania found that only 47 percent of U.S. adults could name the three branches of government. Widespread lack of understanding of our political processes contributes to lack of engagement, lower voter turnout and erosion in trust of government.

Cormack is associate professor of political science at Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, New Jersey, and a contributor to numerous media outlets. She sees firsthand that many college-aged students don't know how to vote, haven't read the Constitution and lack understanding of the division of responsibilities among the branches of government. Cormack tells her students that politics will happen to us whether we like it or not, so it's better to understand how the system works.

Schools can't solve this issue alone. Civics education varies by state. Relentless teaching-to-the-test takes time away from civics, which is often crammed into one semester rather than taught over multiple school years. In today's fractious environment, teachers and administrators fear backlash from multiple

Avoiding politics or only discussing the



How to Raise a Citizen (And Why It's Up to You to Do It) by Lindsey Cormack. Jossey-Bass, publisher, 2024. \$15.80.

negative is not the solution. Cormack advises parents to help kids understand things government is responsible for, such as roads, clean drinking water, public schools and local parks. Parents should point out bright spots that are the result of government actions. "Knowing how our government is structured is valuable because it allows you to better understand why things do or do not happen, and what you can do to change that," she writes.

Cormack gives examples of how to engage children ages 5-9, 10-14 and 15-18. She proposes celebrating local community achievements and people who have had a positive impact, regardless of political affiliation. She encourages parents to take their kids with them when voting and find opportunities to meet a

local elected official.

The second part of the book is a valuable primer about the foundational elements of our government, the Constitution and all 27 amendments. She explains separation of powers, checks and balances in the system, rule of law, and the concept of federalism – where power is shared between federal, state and local government.

"Debating whether the United States is a democracy *or* republic is foolish – it's a democratic republic, incorporating elements of both systems," Cormack writes. She emphasizes the importance of knowing the basics of voter registration and voting procedures, being prepared to vote, as well as understanding primaries vs. general elections and federal vs.

state vs. local elections.

Adopted in 1788, the Constitution sets forth the principles and structures upon which the government operates. Cormack argues that the more one understands the Constitution, the better able one is to understand roles of government, rights within our system and how to effectively participate.

All seven articles of the Constitution are summarized, delineating the roles of the three branches of government and the states, establishing the Constitution as the supreme law of the land and setting forth how amendments are adopted. Cormack highlights specific things to know about each article.

The Constitution provides the structure of government; subsequent amendments established rights of the people. Adopted in 1791, the Bill of Rights is the first 10 amendments to the Constitution. Powers not given to the federal government belong to the states or to the people.

Knowing which level of government holds power is the first step in trying to make a difference. Cormack outlines the varying federal, state and local government roles with respect to major issues such as foreign policy, immigration, taxes, health care, the environment, public safety, education and the economy.

Cormack concludes, "By avoiding discussions about politics and government with our children, we leave them ill-prepared to navigate the realities of our world...Political self-efficacy is all but impossible to harness if you don't understand how the system operates... It is my hope that by talking to our children, we can usher in a better, more caring, and more thoughtful system of politics.". \square

Following a career in state government public service, Karen Witter of Springfield is helping her grandkids to understand and appreciate good citizenship.

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Springfield Theatre Centre's The Hello Girls

A memorable musical about little-known war heroes

THEATER | Mary Young

Area audiences have the chance to catch a new (for Springfield) musical about a small group of World War I heroes, and this writer hopes you take it. *The Hello Girls* is an uplifting and exciting history lesson that chronicles the journey of five courageous women who served as bilingual telephone operators on the front lines of France in 1918. Officially known as the Signal Corps Female Telephone Operators Unit, the efforts of these brave women filled an essential role that helped turn the tide of the war. Despite this fact, these first women who served often struggled for acceptance and recognition.

I had the opportunity to watch a rehearsal well before the production was in full tech. Even without costumes, lights and sets, I could tell that the show was something special. Not only is the story compelling but the dialogue is witty, the score is punchy and the talented cast and staff are deeply committed to the show's message.

I asked directors Emily Noel and Megan Hickman how they found *The Hello Girls* and why they wanted to direct it. Noel was quick to credit Hickman for the idea. "I saw it on a subreddit about underrated musicals, and knew I had to do it someday," Hickman said. "The music is so good and the vocals are really complex. It's also relevant to some of what we are experiencing today, with similar rhetoric on the rise."

Noel commented on how "shows often hold up a mirror to society or reflect history," and this is definitely one of those times. Both cited the main theme of the show as a call to action for all of us. When the time comes, how will you answer the call and step up?

They also praised their fellow staffers for their dedication to the piece.

"Tiffany Williams (as vocal director) does an amazing job with some really difficult and layered harmonies and Sean Robb is an incredible and supportive choreographer," Noel said.

Stage manager Jeremy Tackett serves in the Illinois National Guard, and he helped with details such as saluting and conveying an overall military mindset. "We wanted to do our best to be respectful and get that right," Hickman said.

Sitting down with the cast members playing the Hello Girls brought out similar feelings and excitement about doing the show.

Zoe Chase, who plays capable chief



Left to right: Miriam Carter, Ace Ameris, Zoe Chase, Amanda Gottrich and Emily Smith portray the Hello Girls, five bilingual telephone operators who served on the front lines of France during World War I. PHOTOBY CENOEL PHOTOGRAPHY

operator Grace Branker, likes that "it's a story that platforms women's voices." For her it was an "automatic yes" to audition.

"The piece does well to bring forward the tension of the time," Branker said. "Yes, it's a new show, but the story of the war isn't, though many people will not know about these operators."

Amanda Gottrich, who plays the ballsy Suzanne, said it was the soundtrack that first made her want to do the show after a friend brought it to her attention.

"It's a real acting challenge to be in a period piece, playing historical characters, but everything here is so cohesive," she said. "The playwright, Peter Mills, wrote wonderfully about women who were ahead of their time."

Emily Smith, who plays Bertha; Miriam Carter, who plays Helen; and Ace Ameris,

who plays Louise; all echoed the same sentiments about what their experiences have been like and what audiences can expect.

Carter, who says she relates a lot to her often fearful but sweet, silly character, thinks "audiences will enjoy seeing a great ensemble piece about women coming together to do something important."

Ameris, who infuses the headstrong Louise with a real joie de vivre while speaking with a convincing French accent, wants audiences to feel transported and come away with a new perspective. "I'm so moved by the show in a way I hadn't felt before. It makes me feel so much hope."

Not to be forgotten are the men in the show. Nate King as Captain Riser, the Hello Girls' initially reluctant and skeptical commanding officer, and Dan Johnson's General Pershing help anchor the show's history with a firm commanding presence. Ben Klisit, JD Sonneborn and Kyle Bolinger capably round out the male characters and do a noteworthy job playing a myriad of characters. The entire ensemble moves well and sounds great.

"You can't watch and not feel something," said Emily Smith, who plays the wise and motherly Bertha Hunt, an operator who also had a husband serving in the war. "It may not be a show that people have seen a million times, but it's something people will remember," Smith said.

The Hello Girls runs Nov. 14-16 and 21-23 at the Hoogland Center for the Arts – LRS Theatre. Friday and Saturday shows are at 7:30 p.m., Sunday shows at 2 p.m. Purchase tickets at hcfta.org or by calling 217-523-2787. □

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Soaring violin and a Beethoven masterpiece

MUSIC | Scott Faingold

The Illinois Symphony Orchestra's 2025-2026 season truly got underway Friday, Nov. 7. After debuting last month with the well-attended "Star Wars Greatest Hits" concert, the ISO seems to be settling into its temporary digs at the First United Methodist Church, 2941 S. Koke Mill Road, with its excellent acoustics and comfortable pews. The church has about half the seating capacity of the orchestra's usual home, Sangamon Auditorium at University of Illinois Springfield, which is currently undergoing renovations. The relative intimacy of the venue extends to the lack of a large backstage area, meaning the musicians share the lobby with staff and audience members before the concert and during intermission, creating an odd but egalitarian mood.

As for the music, Friday's concert provided a first half full of earthy, folk-tinged delights followed by a rendition of one of the most seminal and exciting works in the entire classical canon, all presided over with panache by ISO music director Taichi Fukumura.

Things got underway with a spirited version of Hungarian composer Bela Bartók's six-part "Romanian Folk Dances" (1915) providing the evening's first of several bursts of sonic adrenaline.

Next up was Miklós Rózsa Violin
Concerto from 1956. Rózsa left his native
Hungary as a teenager and ended up
composing scores for many mid-20th century
Hollywood movies such as *Ben-Hur* and
Alfred Hitchcock's *Spellbound*. It was at this
point in the evening that acclaimed violin
virtuoso Blake Pouliot took the stage to
accompany the ISO, and his fiery playing
imbued Rózsa's music with a propulsive,
almost violent fervor – it was one of the
rare symphony concert experiences where

it would not have seemed out of place for audience members to get out of their seats and start dancing.

'How can we imagine, or recreate, a free and equal society?" This was the question Maestro Fukumura put to the audience regarding Beethoven's Symphony No. 3 "Eroica" (1804), which constituted the concert's second half. The symphony had originally been dedicated to Napoleon Bonaparte – until his announcement that he had declared himself Emperor. Beethoven was reportedly so incensed at this undemocratic self-aggrandizement that he physically put a hole in the symphony's score where Bonaparte's name had been. In addition to its political edge, Fukumura had described Beethoven's Third Symphony in an earlier interview as having "changed the idea of what a symphony can be – he made it much more of a philosophical statement."

Friday's performance of the symphony more than did justice to Ludwig's vision. The musicians of the ISO gave their all to the melodic beauty of the composition, with special heavy lifting from an especially spirited flute section during the climactic fourth movement. After a standing ovation, the audience left the church exhilarated.

The next ISO concert will be the very popular annual "Holiday Pops in the Heartland" which will have two performances on Sunday, Dec. 14, at the Illinois State Library. □

Scott Faingold is a journalist, educator and musician. He has been an instructor at University of Illinois Springfield, founding editor of Activator magazine, a staff reporter for Illinois Times and cohost of Old School Bleep, a music-centered podcast. He can be reached at scottfaingold@gmail.com.





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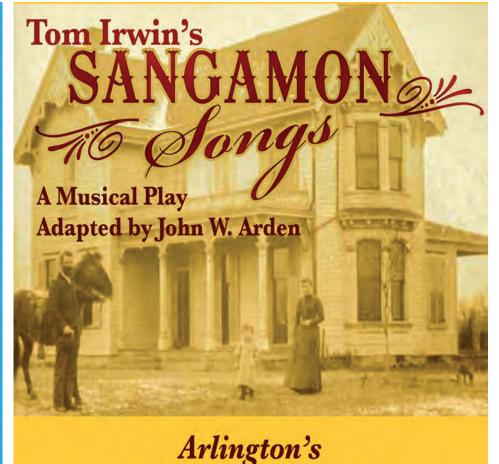
A lifelong educator, mentor and community leader, Rutledge has dedicated more than five decades to improving the lives of children, families and organizations across the Springfield area through her leadership, volunteerism and advocacy. Throughout her life, Rutledge has had a profound influence on generations of educators and students alike. Her leadership has elevated institutions, strengthened community

programs and inspired countless others to serve with the same passion and purpose.

About The First Citizen Award

Established in 1963 by Springfield's Copley-owned newspapers, The First Citizen program was created to honor individuals whose service, outside of their paid employment, has significantly contributed to the betterment of the Springfield area. Each year, a citizen board selects a winner from public nominations, recognizing outstanding community service and a positive impact.

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MUSIC

Incoming November music

NOW PLAYING | Tom Irwin

Look out folks, we've got a bunch of stuff happening this week, but then again, we seem to find a ton or two of things to do every time we look for live music in Springfield and the surrounding area. Let's see what we can find to hear out there in this week's search.

Thursdays refuse to slow down this season, and it's a sure sign of a very healthy and robust scene when more than just the typical Friday and Saturday nights are busy. We start with the Thursday Night Live show at Motorheads showcasing different local talent every second Thursday monthly. This time around, it's Hippies of the Heartland (Rickey and Fran Meredith), Katie Nicole Johnson, Niko Boeker, Steve Gragert and Brandt Sitze on the big Motordome stage.

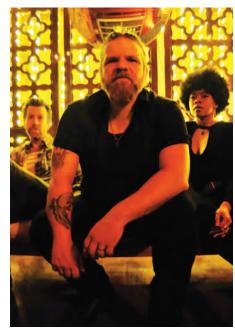
Danenberger Family Vineyards and WQLZ present a Rock the Pink concert Thursday to benefit the American Cancer Society with bands Velvet Chains, Dead Sugar and The Haunt as the scheduled lineup for your \$10 suggested donation to this worthy cause.

Mother Road Diner on Route 66 continues to bring in the live music with Afternoon Delight acoustic duo on the evening bill, while Frank Parker sports his signature trumpet hosting jazz jams at The Pharmacy Gallery downtown as Dumb Records, just a couple of blocks away, delivers an all-ages, hardcore punk show with Wielded Steel, Surfaced, Severance and Nullify.

One more Thursday show happens when New Orleans-based, hard blues trio Heartbreak Hill plays Casey's Pub (after the raffle). The restaurant bar in the west side Knights of Columbus Hall also has a Friday gig by blues rock guitarist Shawn Kellerman coming all the way from Toronto.

And that gets us very nicely into our Friday night shenanigans, including another Dumb Records concert, this one featuring the one and only NIL8 with Acid Fog and Evan vs Michael. And while you're hanging around downtown, drop by Buzz Bomb for the blues duo of Chris Camp & John Drake or stop into The Alamo for a variety of tunes from Joel Honey.

Before we get hung up on all of the Friday hoopla, let's dance on over to Saturday and see what's shaking, shall we? Start your day right with the timeless Native American flute sounds of David Tell joined by the acoustic guitar of Tim Henebry at Stella Coffee and Tea (10 a.m.-noon), then



 $\label{lem:heartbreak Hill featuring Matt Hill plays Casey's Pubthis Thursday.$

mosey on over to Bloom Wine Bar and Florals to celebrate its second anniversary with original music from Zuh-Cari and David Alexander (2-4 p.m.) while Jason McKenzie keeps the party going on into the night (6-8 p.m.). The band Rezzin8, doing current pop dance music by the likes of Dua Lipa, Lady Gaga, Sabrina Carpenter and more makes its Curve Inn debut, while Weebles hosts a Food Drive Concert to benefit the Salvation Army of Springfield presenting Backhand Blue with special guests The A.D.A.M. Music Project and Dysfunctional Family for your musical entertainment. George Rank's says come experience SERA MONSTERA rockin' in the round bar, while Noize Complaint takes it to the limit at DH Browns and Devil's Daughter gets gone at Goodfellas.

Now off we go to Sunday with 14 different music choices to make including Nick Park (of Fireside Relics) and Dr. Dave (music professor from Decatur's Millikin University) at Buckhart Tavern and 3rd Street Strays duo at Trails End in Curran for an east and west small-town tour, while Johnnie Owens and Butter melt down downtown at Brewhaus Pub.

There's plenty more where that came from so please check our extensive listings for all the music that's fit to print. See ya. \square



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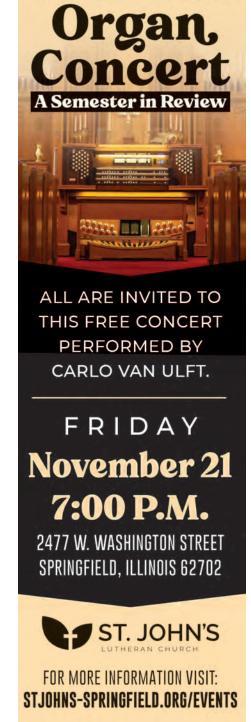








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10:00 a.m. - "Elizabeth Packard, Mental Health Activist" Miranda Bailey-Peetz, Illinois State Historical Society

10:30 a m - Break

10:45 a.m. - "10 Ways to Prepare for America at 250" - Debra Dudek, Fountaindale Public Library District and ISHS Board Member

12:00 p.m. - Luncheon: "Illinois State Historical Society Centennial Awards" The Illinois State Historical Society will be recognizing the Class of 2025 ISHS Centennial Award recipients

1:30 p.m. – "Historical Markers in Illinois" – John Ackerman, Tazewell County Clerk & Recorder of Deeds and Eddie Guerrero, Graduate Student at Northwestern Illinois University

2:45 p.m. - "Greening of the Prairie: Irish farm settlement in the Corn Belt" -Greg Koos, former director at the McLean County Museum and ISHS board member

3:30 p.m. - Wrap-up

December 3, 2025 9am-4pm Inn at 835, Springfield, IL Centennial Awards Luncheon at Noon www.ilstatehoodday2025.eventbrite.com



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Thursday

Nov 13

Buzzed Karaoke Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

HeartBreak Hill Casey's Pub, 7:30pm

Jackpot Karaoke with Debbie Cakes

Curve Inn, 7-11pm

Velvet Chains, Dead Sugar, The

Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 6pm

Open mic with Bob Besser Decatur Brew Works, Decatur,

Wielded Steel, Surfaced, Severance, Nullify Dumb Records, 7pm

Karaoke

Goodfellas Pub, 8pm

J.C.B. Entertainment Karaoke La Fiesta Chatham, Chatham,

6-10pm.

Afternoon Delight Mother Road Diner, Route 66 Hotel & Conference Center, 6-9pm

Frank Parker

The Pharmacy Gallery and Art Space, 7-9pm

Karaoke

Replay Lounge, 8pm

Thursday Night Live Route 66 MotorHeads Bar &

Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex, 6-9pm

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

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

Karaoke

The Tipsy Toad, 8pm-12am

Good Times Karaoke VFW Lafore Lock Post 755.

Friday

Nov 14

Joel Honey

The Alamo, 5:30-8:30pm

Avery Kern

Buckhart Tavern, Rochester. 8-11pm

Manny Lee,

Boone's, 5:30-8:30pm

Chris Camp & John Drake Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

Shawn Kellerman Casey's Pub, 7-11pm

Deja Voodoo

Curve Inn, 6:30-9:30pm

Kashmir: The Spirt of Led Zeppelin Live

Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 8pm

Jillian Hubbard

Decatur Brew Works, Decatur,

NIL8, Acid Fog, Evan vs.

Dumb Records, 7pm

Boots, Hats and Pearl Snaps Band

El Campesino Mexican Restaurant, Girard, 5:30-7:30pm

Karaoke

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

Astrofix

Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, 6-9pm

Angel Brown's Smooth N' Blue Duo

Lime Street Cafe, 7-10:30pm

Karaoke

The Lumpia House, 5-11pm

Journey from the Heart, **Captain Geech and the Shrimp Shack Shooters**

Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex, 8pm

Keith Dunlap

Town Hall Pub, Loami, 7-10pm

Adam Hood

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

Saturday

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



Adam Hood plays at Twisted Tree Music & Event Hall in Jacksonville Friday.

Broken Stone

AMVETS Post 100, Jacksonville,

Zuh-Cari and David Alexander Bloom Wine Bar & Florals, 2-4pm

Jason McKenzie

Bloom Wine Bar & Florals, 6-8pm

Living Bratz Boone's, 6-9pm

Tom & Geoff Butternut Hut, 6-8:30pm

Matt Combs

Cafe Amulet, Petersburg, 3-6pm

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

Rezzin8 Curve Inn, 6:30-9:30pm

Dancing Queen

Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 8pm

Open mic

Decatur Brew Works, Decatur, 4-7pm

Noize Complaint

DH Brown's, 8pm

SERA MONSTERA George Rank's, 8-11pm

Devil's Daughter Goodfellas Pub, 8pm

OAT

Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, 6-9pm

WisenHeart

Jenn's Beer Den, Decatur, 7pm

Toxic Johnny

Kuhl Tyme Korner, Jacksonville,

Somebody's X

The Library Pizza and Sports Bar,

Angel Brown's Smooth N' Blue Duo

Lime Street Cafe, 7-10:30pm

The Ultimate Doors

Lincoln Square Theater, Decatur, 7pm

Kerry Lee

Locals Bar, Pawnee, 8-11pm

Jonnie Concaroo Band

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

Star 6 Nine

Mowie's Cue, 8-11pm

Eric and Kortney Northern Lights Lounge, 2-5pm

Renegade Karaoke

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

Joel Honey

Patriots Pub, Waverly, 8pm

Karaoke by JCB **Entertainment**

The Range Bourbon & Brew, Chatham, 8pm-12am

Jake & Mikayla Rocco's, Decatur, 2pm

David Tell and Tim Henebry Stella Coffee & Tea, 10am-12pm

The Stone Giants The Blue Grouch, 7pm Karaoke

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

Wreckless Whiskey The Shed, Pawnee, 8pm

Decatur Big Band The Wagon, Decatur, 4-6:30pm

Backhand Blue with A.D.A.M. Music Project and **Dysfunctional Family**

Weebles Bar & Grill, 7pm

Sunday

Nov 16

Butter Brewhaus Bar, 5-8pm

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

Buzz Bomb Fantastical Folk

Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 4-6pm.

Joe May

Camouflage Bar, VFW Post 99, Decatur, 2-4pm

Rich Hogan

Golden Fox Brewing, Decatur, 4-7pm

Curt Smith

Hill Prairie Winery, Oakford, 2-5pm

The Larson Brothers It's All About Wine, 3-6pm

Amy Battles and Tom Irwin Jacksonville Public Library, Jacksonville, 4-6pm

Scott Ellison

Pop's Place, Decatur, 3-6pm

Keith Dunlap

The Shed, Pawnee, 2-5pm

3rd Street Strays Duo

Trails End Saloon, Curran, 3-6pm

The Filthy Heathens with The **Longmeyer Band**

Twisted Tree Music & Event Hall, Jacksonville, 5pm

Monday Nov 17

Timo Arthur The Alamo, 7pm

Allan Harris Fulgenzi's Pizza and Pasta,

Tuesday Nov 18

Karaoke with JCB

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

Open jam George Rank's, 7-10pm

Songwriter open mic with Tom Irwin

It's All About Wine, 6-9pm

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

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

Wednesday

Open mic with Joel Honey and Silas Tockey

Karaoke

Clique, 9pm-1am

Boone's, 7-10pm

Nov 19

Robert Sampson Fulgenzi's Pizza and Pasta,

Larry Watson

6-9pm

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

Open mic hosted by **Smokestacks**

Trails End Saloon, Curran, 7-10pm





Illinois Times was selected as a Report for America newsroom, which allowed us to hire an additional full-time reporter last month. This position is partially funded by a grant of \$25,000 for the first year — we are expected to raise \$35,000 from community support to cover our share of the reporter's salary.



Meet Dilpreet Raju

Before joining Illinois Times, Dilpreet Raju reported on disparity through public health, wrongful convictions and the state's burgeoning marijuana industry for Capitol News Illinois, a nonprofit news service, as a reporting fellow. His stories and photos were picked up by dozens of outlets, including Illinois Times, which republished seven of his articles in 2024.

Raju, a Schaumburg native, recently graduated from Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism with a master's degree in journalism. He pursued the Report for America program because of the nonprofit's dedication toward preparing journalists for a life of reporting news that matters.

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Rock the Pink Concert

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SPECIAL MUSIC EVENT I Three great bands, one great cause

Tonight, WQLZ and Danenberger Family Vineyards are teaming up once again to present a great show for a great cause. Velvet Chains, Dead Sugar and The Haunt are this year's Rock the Pink lineup. Proceeds from this show will benefit the American Cancer Society. Doors open at 6 p.m. with the music beginning at 7 p.m. No tickets are required but a \$10 donation at the door is suggested. This is a 21 and older show.

■ Special Music Events

Food Drive Concert

Sat., Nov. 15, 7pm. Show benefits the Salvation Army of Springfield. Lineup is Backhand Blue with special guests The A.D.A.M. Music Project and Dysfunctional Family. This is a 21 and older show. Non-perishable food item or cash donation. Weebles Bar & Grill, 4136 N. Peoria Road, 217-528-3337.

Good Witch Bad Witch: A Wicked & Wonderful Celebration

Fri., Nov. 14, 7pm, Sat., Nov. 15, 7pm and Sun., Nov. 16, 2pm. Just in time for the release of the film Wicked: For Good, the Legacy presents a magical coven of song sirens who will conjure your favorite songs from the musical Wicked and other enchanting songs from witches on stage and screen. \$30 in advance, \$35 day of show. The Legacy Theatre, 101 E. Lawrence, 217-528-9760.

■ Books & Authors

Stella's Silent Reading Club Mondays, 10-11am. This club is a gathering of readers reading their own book - parallel but together. A big table will be set aside for participants to assemble and share what they are reading and then silently read for the next hour. A book lover's dream. Free. Stella Coffee & Tea, 1135 W. Governor St., 262-622-3151

Book Discussion

Sat., Nov. 15, 10am-12pm. God, A Human History by Reza Aslan will be discussed. Free. DeFrates Room, Lincoln Library, 326 S. 7th St., 217-753-4900.

■ Theater & Comedy

Fences

Fri., Nov. 14, 7:30pm, Sat., Nov. 15, 7:30pm and Sun., Nov. 16, 4pm. Set in the 1950s in a segregated Pittsburgh, the play revolves around Troy Maxson, a once-promising baseball player in the Negro Leagues whose dreams were crushed by racial discrimination. Now working as a sanitation worker, Troy struggles with the burdens of his past while attempting to provide for his family. Fences is directed by Reggie Guyton. hcfta.org. \$20-\$22. Hoogland Center for the Arts Peggy Ryder Theatre, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

The Hello Girls

Fri., Nov. 14, 7:30pm, Sat., Nov. 15, 7:30pm and Sun., Nov. 16, 2pm. The Hello Girls chronicles the story of America's first women soldiers in this new musical inspired by the history of bilingual telephone operators on the front lines of World War I. Presented by the Springfield Theatre Center. \$23. Hoogland Center for the Arts LRS Theatre 1, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

The Laramie Project

Thu., Nov. 13, 7:30pm, Fri., Nov. 14, 7:30pm and Sat., Nov. 15,

7:30pm. UIS Theatre presents this play about Matthew Shepard, a University of Wyoming student who was kidnapped, beaten and left to die in 1998 for being gay. The play, by Moises Kaufman and the Members of Tectonic Theater Project, is directed by Missy Thibodeaux-Thompson. Post-show discussions after all six performances. Tickets can be bought online and at the door (cash only) beginning one hour before the performance. \$10. Performing Arts Building Room 170 acting studio, One University Plaza, University of Illinois Springfield, 217-206-6240.

■ Spoken Word

Open Mic/Spoken Word Night

Sat., Nov. 15, 6:30-8:30pm. This is just the thing for writers or poets who want their words heard or for those who love poetry and live readings. Sign in. Names will be drawn at random and participants will have up to seven minutes in front of the mic to read or recite what they have. pharmacygallery. com. \$5 suggested donation at door. The Pharmacy Gallery and Art Space, 623 E. Adams St., 217-381-8910.

Dance

Adult Short Term Tap Class

Wed., Nov. 19, 7-7:45pm. This three-week adult tap session is a mix of movement, music and laughter. No experience needed. Bring a sense of rhythm (or at

least a sense of humor). Register online. springfielddance.com. \$60. Springfield Dance, 5531 International Pkwy., 217-483-3623.

Boots on the Line - Line Dancing

Thu., Nov. 13, 7-9pm. Boots on the Line returns for a night of line dancing. No cover. Locals Bar, Pawnee, 609 Douglas St., 217-646-8013.

Springfield International Folk Dancers

Mondays, 7-9pm. Experience the joy of folk dancing from many cultures. All skill levels welcome and no partners necessary. Free. Hoogland Center for the Arts, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-793-8035.

■ Art & Architecture

Happy Holiday Trees Exhibit Mondays-Fridays, 9am-5pm and Sat., Nov. 15, 10am-3pm. Through Nov. 27. SAA staff members and local artists have crafted more than a dozen uniquely themed holiday trees that will be raffled off. Each tree features handmade elements in a variety of media. Gifts donated by artists from the Edwards Place Fine Art Fair will be included in a silent auction. Free admission. Springfield Art Association, 700 N. Fourth St., 217-523-2631

James Spizzo Photography Exhibit

Mondays-Saturdays, 4-6pm. Through Nov. 30. Chicagoan James Spizzo has been taking photographs since he was 8 or 9. See this collection of his images - all spontaneous and devoid of staging. strawnartgallery.org. David Strawn Art Gallery, Jacksonville, 331 W. College Ave., 217-243-

"A Radical Turn"

Through Nov. 20. This exhibition is by Aaron Hughes, a painter, activist and anti-war veteran whose work explores themes of conflict, memory and social justice. UIS Visual Arts Gallery, HSB 201, One University Plaza, 217-206-6240.

Surreal Symphony featuring Pam Hamilton and Jason LaBonte

Wednesdays-Saturdays, 11am-5pm. Through Nov. 13. Pam Hamilton's ethereal abstract figure paintings border on the edge of fantasy and reality while Jason LaBonte's whimsical, yet elegant glass vessels form a three-dimensional ambiance. springfieldart.org. Free. SAA Collective Gallery, 105 N. Fifth St., 217-544-2787.

Wednesday Wonderbrush - Kids **Art Class**

Wed., Nov. 19, 3:30-5:30pm. Young artists can shine in this creative after-school class where they can explore painting, color mixing, brush techniques and more. Includes step-by-step instruction and supplies. Wear paint clothes. Snacks allowed. \$30, \$100 for four. Studio on 6th, 215 S. Sixth St., 217-522-8006.

■ Food & Drink

Gather: A Nod to NOLA I A Jazz Chef's Table Experience

Sat., Nov. 15, 6:30-8:30pm. Enjoy a speakeasy-style, seven-course chef's table experience featuring live jazz music by saxophonist David Alexander. Last year's event sold out fast. Ends with a Bananas Foster showcase finale by a dynamic duo of culinary experts. Bourbon tasting and coffee flight add-ons available. \$75.99. The Pasfield House, 525 South Pasfield. 2173817919.

■ History

The 1942 Lynching of James **Person in Edgar County**

Sat., Nov. 15, 12-1pm. Historian Renatto Carr will talk about one of the earliest 20th century lynchings outside the South to result in federal officials indicting and convicting whites for violating the civil rights of a Black person. First in a Black history lecture series by the nonprofit Untold Histories, Mary Frances, president. Lincoln Library, 326 S. Seventh St., 217-698-6090.

15th Congressional District Candidates Forum

Sun., Nov. 16, 3-5pm. Candidates running for the 15th Congressional District seat have been invited to discuss important issues and answer questions posed by a moderator. Audience members will be invited to submit questions as well. Presented by Jacksonville and Capital City Illinois Indivisible and co-sponsored by multiple regional Indivisible groups. Free. First Presbyterian Church, 321 S. Seventh St., 217-528-4311.

■ Holiday Happenings

2025 Arts and Crafts Fair

Fri., Nov. 14, 5-8pm and Sat., Nov. 15, 9am-3pm. Find unique gifts, beautiful art and amazing crafts all handcrafted by local artisans. Free admission. Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 745 Woodside Rd, Springfield, IL 62711, 217-585-9550.

Santa Claus

Nov. 14-Dec. 24. See Santa for hugs, wish collecting and photo opportunities. Walk-ins are welcome or skip the line and make a reservation at WherelsSanta.com. Visits free, photos for purchase. White Oaks Mall, 2501 Wabash Ave., 217-787-0110.

Santa's Grand Arrival

Fri., Nov. 14, 6-7pm. Event features music by the Titan Fever Show Choir, Springfield Youth Performance Group and Lincoln Land Community College's Choir. Santa and Mrs. Claus will officially open the Wintree Wonderland and board the A.L. Express Train for a parade to the East Wing, Free. White Oaks Mall, 2501 Wabash Ave., (217) 787-0110.

Wintree Wonderland

Nov. 14-Dec. 31. Wintree Wonderland, a new mall tradition, will include the beloved elements found each Christmas at the mall and incorporate a festive forest of trees decorated by the public. Includes Santa's Workshop Make It/ Take It, a selfie station, Gingerbread Playhouse, window murals, photos with Santa, train rides and more. Free admission. White Oaks Mall, 2501 Wabash Ave., 217-787-0110.

■ Fundraisers and Galas

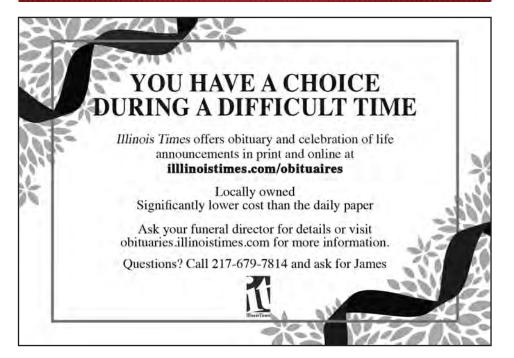
Forget Me Not

Through Nov. 30. Forget Me Not, a fundraiser to fight Alzheimer's, focuses on the effects the disease has on the family and friends of the afflicted. It is a love story cut short by Alzheimer's. \$2 of every view will be donated to the fight. fmnfilm.com, \$3, 847-741-3327.

■ Politics







The Salvation Army Red Kettle Kick-Off Party

Sat., Nov. 15, 10am-1pm. The festive, family-friendly celebration includes a variety of family-friendly activities such as a hot chocolate bar, face painting, live music, games and prizes. The annual campaign raises funds to support local programs and services throughout the year. See the Facebook page for more info. White Oaks Mall, 2501 Wabash Ave., 217-679-9174.

■ Community Organizing

Drive Thru Sock Drop

Sat., Nov. 15, 10am-12pm. Drive into the church parking lot to donate warm socks for homeless veterans and families. The socks will be donated to Spring Street Veterans Renaissance. Donors are encouraged to buy thick, black, knee-length socks. Rain or shine. Hosted by Springfield Women's Action Network. Westminster Presbyterian Church, 533 S. Walnut St., 217-546-2622.

Food Not Bombs monthly meeting

Mon., Nov. 17, 6:30-7:30pm. Monthly planning meeting for those interested in getting involved with Food Not Bombs Springfield. Free. Lincoln Library, 326 S. Seventh St., 217-753-4900.

Good Trouble Alliance Meeting

Every fourth Saturday, 12-1pm. The Good Trouble Alliance strategizes bold, creative, nonviolent initiatives to challenge local institutions that weaken democracy. Join the fight against authoritarianism. Bring ideas. Snacks provided. Lincoln Library, 326 S. Seventh St., 217-801-0209.

■ Children's Corner

Funshop - Little Scientists

Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30pm. Through Dec. 9. Does your child love to dig, mix, pour and discover? Little Scientists Funshop is the perfect playful STEM program for children ages 3-5 and their grown-ups. Over five weeks, little explorers will dive into hands-on experiments such as fizzy chemical reactions, magnet magic, nature walks and more designed to spark curiosity and discovery. Tuesdays, 1-2pm, from Nov. 4 to Dec. 9. Register at bit. ly/Funshop_Little-Scientists. Residents \$75, non-residents \$85. Lincoln Park Funshop, 1601 N. Fifth St., 217-544-1751.

Funshop Art Explorers

Thursdays, 5:30-6:30pm. Through Dec. 11. This five-week, hands-on art program is designed to spark creativity and self-expression. Young children explore colors, textures and materials through painting, sculpting and more. Caregivers can join in, too. All classes blended ages 2 to 5 years. Register at bit.ly/SPD_Art-Explorers. Activity #350971. Residents \$75, non-residents \$85. Lincoln Park Funshop, 1601 N. Fifth St., 217-753-6234.

Funshop Kids Club

Fri., Nov. 14, 5:30-8:30pm. In this program, children ages 6-10 will explore themes through crafts, STEM projects and interactive play. Kid's Club encourages creativity, teamwork and a love of learning while having a great time. Pack a snack or light meal for your child. Register at bit.ly/Funshop_Kids-Club_3. Activity #340910. 1 day only Funshop session \$30R/\$35NR. Lincoln Park Funshop, 1601 N. Fifth St., 217-753-6234.

Mini Explorer's Club – Land of Leaders

Tue., Nov. 18, 9:30-10:15am. Join the museum for three lessons about past Illinois leaders. We'll also explore what happens on election day in a fun, handson way. Come join us for this interactive, grown-up/child class where the littlest explorers learn all about the wonders of Illinois. Recommended ages 18 months to 5 years but all ages welcome. illinoisstatemuseum.org. Free. Illinois State Museum, 502 S. Spring St., 217-782-6623.

Tiny Adventurers

Wed., Nov. 19, 10-11am, 1-2pm. A hands on nature exploration program aimed at children ages 3 to 5 with an adult chaperone. In each session, articipants will learn about a different nature topic. Younger siblings are welcome but the program is geared toward the 3-5 age range. November's topic is mammals in winter. Participants asked to register. Free. Lincoln Memorial Garden, 2301 E. Lake Shore Dr., 217-529-1111.

■ Lectures & Meetings

Breakfast of Hope

Sat., Nov. 15, 9am. Learn more about Susan G. Komen's mission in central Illinois with this inaugural breakfast. Includes keynote speaker, medical panel and local vendors perfect for holiday shopping. RSVP by emailing DWilliams@komen.org. Crowne Plaza Springfield, 3000 S. Dirksen Pkwy., 217-529-7777.

Bunions, Hammertoes & Other Foot Woes

Thu., Nov. 13, 6-8pm. Springfield

Clinic orthopedic surgeons
Benjamin Stevens and Kathleen
Kay will discuss symptoms,
diagnoses, treatment options,
surgical procedures and recovery
expectations for various foot
conditions. No reservations
required for this community
health talk. Free. Memorial Center
for Learning and Innovation, 228
W. Miller St., 217-588-6254.

CIC SHRM Half-Day Educational Conference

Wed., Nov. 19, 7:30am-1pm. A half-day education conference featuring state Sen. Chris Balkema, Tess Fyalka, Olivia Lohse, Mallory Stumpf Zoia and Harry Hileman, Event will cover such topics as leadership, communication, workplace challenges and a legislative update impacting today's workforce. Learn more and register at cicshrm.wildapricot. org/event-6265844. \$69-\$79, \$29 for students. Memorial Center for Learning and Innovation, 228 W. Miller St., 217-788-3000.

Photography Talk with Guy Sternberg

Sat., Nov. 15, 2-3pm. Autumn Trees in Focus. Love autumn colors and want to become a better photographer? Pick up expert tips from Guy Sternberg, hear stories from the field and be inspired by fall trees. No registration required. Sternberg's book will be available for purchase for \$80. See Facebook page for more info. Washington Park Botanical Garden, 1740 W. Fayette Ave., 217-546-4116.

Trauma Informed: An Approach That Strengthens Communities

Fri., Nov. 14, 9-10:30am. An introduction to the essential concept of being traumainformed. This training will help participants understand what trauma is and how it affects individuals, explore secondary trauma and learn about Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). Free. 1908 Innovation & Coworking Center, 1100 South Grand Ave E, 217-753-3551.

Water-Energy Sustainability Across Scales: Systems, Society, Self

Wed., Nov. 19, 6pm. Dr. Ashlynn Stillwell will explore the critical link between water and energy systems known as the waterenergy nexus. In this talk, she will present data and modeling that translate complex interactions into actionable insights for sustainability. uis.edu. Free. UIS Brookens Auditorium, One University Plaza, 217-206-6073.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDI-SANGAMON COUNTY ILLINOIS DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ACCREDIT LOANS INC. MORTGAGE ASSET-SFRIFS 2006-0S7 Plaintiff,

Timothy R. Yueill - ARDC #6192172

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Aaron Nevel - ARDC #6322724

Andrew Chu - ARDC #6285924

Chicago, Illinois 60606 (312) 357-1125

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175 North Franklin St. Suite 201

BRANDON A. ROBBINS et al Defendant 2025FC000064 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 3, 2025, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on December 5, 2025, at the Do Realty Services, 600 S 6th Street, SPRINGFIELD, IL, 62701, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 5801 OAKCREST RD, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62707 Property Index No. 15-21.0-200-012

The real estate is improved with a residence.

Sale terms: If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition The sale is further subject to confirmation

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchase of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-

OWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCOR-DANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITÉ 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630)

THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor. Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE BURR RIDGE IL, 60527 630-794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-25-02066 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Case Number: 2025FC000064

TJSC#: 45-2518 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that

Case # 2025FC000064

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDI-CIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF Sangamon - Springfield.

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Plaintiff

Brvce Dent: et. al. Defendant 24 FC 76 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 December 10, 2025, at the hour 9:00 a.m., Harvatin Law Office, 1100 South 5th Street, Springfield, IL 62703, sell, in person, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

P.I.N. 27-15.0-400-015. Commonly known as 11373 Sulphur Springs Road, Loami, IL 62661. 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. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a commor interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than the mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 189.5 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 before bidding. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POS-SESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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. INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORA-

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDI-CIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF Sangamon - Springfield,

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION

CHUCK KLUGE; LORI-LYNN STANCIL; COLLEEN STULTS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF THOMAS E. DALEY. DECEASED; DAMON RITENHOUSE, SPECIAL

REPRESENTATIVE FOR THOMAS E. DALEY, DECEASED: UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS 22 FC 85 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 December 10, 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: P.I.N. 29-03.0-453-039. Commonly known as 7911 HUNT RD., SPRINGFIFI D II 62712

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, Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 13010 Morris Road, Suite 450, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004. (708) 668-4410 ext. 52109. 22-

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

KASSY VAN HUSS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

Case No. 2025FC000090

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the court on the Complaint for Foreclosure in the above-entitled cause, the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment. will be sold to the highest bidder. (A) The name, address and telephone num-

ber of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is:

United Community Bank, Attn: Loss Mitigation, 1311 West Jefferson Street, Auburn, IL 62615; Telephone: (217) 438-5467 (B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is: 212 E. Jefferson Street, Auburn, Illinois

(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, December 9, 2025; Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth

Street, 2nd Floor, Committee Room 223, Springfield, Illinois 62701 (F) The terms of the sale are: 10% cash or certified funds at the time of sale; balance within twenty-four (24) hours of sale. Plaintiff may credit bid at the sale. The successful bidder will receive a Certificate of Purchase following the sale and a Sheriff's Deed upon confirmation of the sale by the Circuit Court of Sangamon

County, Illinois. (G) Title will be conveyed subject to real estate taxes for 2024 and subsequent years and special assessments, if any; to building restrictions and restrictive covenants of

24-102066

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC PLAINTIFF,

-vs-DEREK R RICHARDSON; KAYLA R RICHARD-SON; HELENA TASSART; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS: UNKNOWN **OCCUPANTS**

DEFENDANTS NO 25 FC 36

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on September 17, 2025; Jack L Campbell, Sheriff, #1 Sheriff's Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701, will on December 16, 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 receint 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 28 West Bel Aire Drive Springfield, IL 62703 Permanent Index No.: 22-11.0-479-048 Improvements: Single Family

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

The judgment amount was \$178,191.76. 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 POS SESSION, 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 Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC

One of Plaintiff's Attorneys

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH **Real Estate Foreclosure**

COUNTY OF SANGAMON STATE OF ILLINOIS WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE ON BEHALF FOR CSMC 2018-RPL12 TRUST,

KIMOLA M. WATSON A/K/A KIMOLA WATSON.

Defendant(s) Case No. 25 FC 84 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment heretofore entered by the said Court in the above entitled cause the Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois, will on December 16, 2025, at the hour of 9:00 AM, at the COUNTY BOARD CHAMBER, 2ND FLOOR, SANGAMON COUNTY COMPLEX, 200 S. 9TH STREET, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62701. sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described premises and real estate in the said Judgment mentioned, situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment, to wit: Common Address: 3357 S. 3RD ST..

PIN 22-16 0-229-019 Contact the Law Office of IRA T. NEVEL, LLC, 175 North Franklin, Suite 201, Chicago, Illinois 60606, (312) 357-1125, for further

information. The terms of the sale are: Ten percent (10%) due by cash or certified funds at the time of the sale and balance is due within 24 hours of the sale. The subject property is subject to real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "as is" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. The property is improved by a Single Family Residence, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, and the tenements. hereditaments and appurtenants thereunto belonging and will not be available for

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

inspection prior to sale. 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). Attorney for Plaintiff Ira T. Nevel - ARDC #6185808

8am-6pm Saturday, November 29h 8am-6pm Lots of holiday décor, arrangements and specialty items. **SEANEY FARMS** GREENHOUSE Corner of Andrew Rd. and Illinois Blvd., Sherman IL

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Friday, November 28th

record: to easements of record or in place: to rights of way for roads, streets, and highways; to rights of tenants in nossession if any. Sale is subject to approval of the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois. Any real estate transfer tax which may be due as a result of the sale shall be paid by the purchaser. BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Emmet A. Fairfield Registration No. 6180505 205 S. 5th Street – Suite 1000 PO Box 2459 Springfield, IL 62705 (217) 544-8491 efairfield@bhslaw.com 8051-959205

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

ANGELA M. LANGIANO, MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC., UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

Case No. 2025FC000138 NOTICE OF SALE

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

(A) The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: United Community Bank, Attn: Loss Mitiga-

tion, 1311 West Jefferson Street, Auburn, IL 62615; Telephone: (217) 438-5467 (B) The common address and other common escription, if any, of the real estate is: 1002 W. Monroe Street, Auburn, Illinois

(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, December 9, 2025; Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, 2nd Floor, Committee Room 223,

Springfield, Illinois 62701 (F) The terms of the sale are: 10% cash or certified funds at the time of sale: balance within twenty-four (24) hours of sale. Plaintiff may credit bid at the sale. The successful bidder will receive a Certificate of Purchase following the sale

and a Sheriff's Deed upon confirmation of the sale by the Circuit Court of Sangamon (G) Title will be conveyed subject to real

estate taxes for 2024 and subsequent years and special assessments, if any; to building restrictions and restrictive covenants of record; to easements of record or in place; to rights of way for roads, streets, and highways; to rights of tenants in possession if any. Sale is subject to approval of the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois Any real estate transfer tax which may be due as a result of the sale shall be paid by the purchaser. BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Emmet A. Fairfield Registration No. 6180505 205 S. 5th Street - Suite 1000 P.O. Box 2459 Springfield, IL 62705

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS INC.

Plaintiff

JANICE E SMITH et al. Defendant 2025FC000010 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on August 20, 2025, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on November 24, 2025, at the Do Realty Services, 600 S 6th Street, SPRINGFIELD, IL, 62701, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 524 S ROSE HILL AVE, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704

Property Index No. 14-32.0-252-006 The real estate is improved with a residence Sale terms: If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer. is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

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

765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER). YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCOR-DANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts

foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file, CODI-LIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876 THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corpora tion at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status

report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE

BURR RIDGE IL, 60527 630-794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-25-00474 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Case Number: 2025FC000010 TJSC#: 45-2396
NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 2025FC000010

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH SANGAMON COUNTY ILLINOIS Federal National Mortgage Association

Dustin C. Bailey; et al. Defendants 2025FC000073

1036 W. WASHINGTON ST., SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 7/9/2025, an agent of Auction.com LLC will conduct the Online Only auction at www.auction.com, with the bidding window opening on December 8, 2025 at 10:00 AM CDT and closing on 12/10/2025 at 10:00 AM subject to extension, and will sell at public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below the following described real estate. Commonly known as 1036 W. WASHINGTON ST., SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702

Property Index No. 14-33.0-103-018 The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence. The judgment amount was \$98 283 11 Sale Terms: Full Sale Terms are available on the property page at www.auction.com by entering 1036 W. WASHINGTON ST. into the search bar. The

winning bidder must pay the full bid amount within twenty-four (24) hours of the auction's end. All payments must be certified funds. No third-party checks will be accepted. All bidders will need to register at www.auction com prior to placing a bid. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes. special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a certificate of sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property, prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and

the legal fees required by the Condominium property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9 (g)(l) and (g)(4) If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME OWNER). YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION IN ACCOR-DANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSÙRE LAW. For information, contact Plaintiffs attorney CODILIS & ASSOCIATES PC (630) 794-5300 please refer to file number 14-25-01131. Auction.com, LLC 100 N LaSalle St., Suite

1400 Chicago, IL 60602 - 872-225-4985 Yo can also visit www.auction.com Attorney File No. 14-25-01131 Case Numher: 2025FC000073

NOTE: PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COL-LECTION PRACTICES ACT, YOU ARE ADVISED THAT PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMA-TION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE UNDER ASSUMED BUSINESS

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of November, 2025, a Certificate of Ownership of Business was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Sangamon County, stating that:

Vinay C Thotakura, Venkata A Uppalapati intend to transact, or are transacting business in Sangamon County, State of Illinois, under the fictitious name to wit Dirksen Food & Fuel

and that they are the sole owner(s) and proprietor(s) of said business, and the principle place of said business is located

2121 N Dirksen Pkwy, Springfield IL

NOTICE UNDER ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT

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Vinay C Thotakura, Venkata A Uppalapati intend to transact, or are transacting business in Sangamon County, State of Illinois, under the fictitious name to wit:

Clear Lake Food & Fuel and that they are the sole owner(s) and proprietor(s) of said business and the principle place of said business is located

3300 E Clearlake Ave, Springfield IL 62702

Death Claim

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY. ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of MATTHEW A. GILMOUR, Deceased. IN PROBATE No.: 2025-PR-433 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of MATTHEW A. GILMOUR, deceased.

Letters of Office were issued on November 6, 2025, to Sharon M. Gilmour, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Maureen M. Faller, Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000, Springfield, IL 62701. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 6th day of April, 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 6th day of November 2025. BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Maureen M. Faller Registration No. 6308975 205 S. Fifth St., Suite 1000 P.O. Box 2459

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

Springfield, IL 62705-2459

217-544-8491

mfaller@bhslaw.com

STEPHEN J. SCHWARK, DECEASED Case #2025-PR-435 **DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE**

Notice is given of the death of STEPHEN J. SCHWARK. Letters of Office have been issued to WANDA RUNDLE, 1506 Patricia Lane, St. Charles, IL 60174, 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 May 19. 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 5th day of November, 2025. Patrick J. Sheehan, III 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 Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, Plaintiff. Vs.

Jennifer Schaller, et. al.) Defendants Re: Estate of Mary A. Schleyhahn, Deceased No. 2025-FC-186 NOTICE

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF Mary A. Schleyhahn: Notice is given of the death of Mary A. Schleyhahn. The Court has appointed Dan E. Way as Special Representative for Mary A. Schleyhahn, deceased, in the aboveentitled cause seeking a Judgment of

Foreclosure and Sale on property located at 1417 S. State St., Springfield, IL 62704. 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 Mary A. Schleyhahn, 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 OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAROL EVERLY FLOYD, DECEASED Case #2025-PR-424 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of CAROL EVERLY FLOYD. Letters of Office have been issued to TIM L. BAKER, 363 S. Main Street, Suite 500, Decatur, IL 62523, as Independent Administrator with the Will Annexed, 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 with the Will Annexed, or both, on or before May 13, 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 with the Will Annexed and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated this 30th day of October, 2025 Patrick J. Sheehan SHEEHAN & SHEEHAN, LAWYERS, P.C. 1215 South 4th Street Springfield, IL 62703 (217)544-0701

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH SANGAMON COUNTY. ILLINOIS ESTATE OF FERDINAND A. FULGENZI, Deceased No. 2025PR389 Notice is given to creditors of the estate of the death of Ferdinand A. Fulgenzi. Letters of Office were issued to Margaret Sauer, as Independent Executor, whose address is 1805 Grist Mill Road, Springfield, IL 62711. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 755 ILCS 5/28-4, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before May 6, 2026, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered such notice, whichever is later Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) davs after it has been filed. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To efile, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http:// efile.illinoiscourts.gov/ service-providers. htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www. illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. Dated October 7, 2025. Attorneys for Independent Executor: Jerry S. Bauer, 6308557 Sorling Northrup 1 North Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 200 P.O. Box 5131 Springfield, IL 62705 Telephone: 217-544-1144 Email: jsbauer@sorlinglaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES CHARLES FARLEY, DECEASED Case #2025-PR-428 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of JAMES CHARLES FARLEY. Letters of Office have been issued to KRISTIE L. DeBRUN, 4515 Davis Road, Pawnee, IL 62558, 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 May 13, 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 30th day of October, 2025. William P. 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 JAMES W. BLOOM, Deceased. Case No. 2025 PR 425 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of JAMES W. BLOOM. Letters of Office were issued on October 28, 2025, to EVAN M. BLOOM of 33 Calland Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62704 as Executor, and whose attorney is JAMES R. ENLOW of GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL, 1231 South Eighth Street, Springfield, IL, 62703. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court. Sangamon 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 29th day of October 2025. James R. Enlow (#6199891) GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL Attorneys at Law 1231 South Eighth Street Springfield, IL 62703 Telephone: (217) 522-9010 Facsimile: (217) 522-9020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the estate of: Margaree Jones Deceased Case No. 2025-PR-000340 Claim Notice Notice is given of the death of Margaree Jones. Letters of Administration were issued on Oct. 6, 2025 to Arshanda Jones as Administrator, 2322 Grandview Springfield IL 62702. 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 Administrator, on or before May 6, 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 Administrator within 10 days after it has been filed. Joseph B. Roesch Clerk of the Circuit Court

Email: iim@gwspc.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

IN THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL J. RALPH Deceased. Case No : 2025 PR 421 NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF WILL AND Notice is hereby given of the death of Michael J. Ralph. Letters of Office were issued. The name and address of the Legal Representative is Miles J. Ralph, 1904 S. Noble Avenue, Springfield, Illinois, 62704. James Ackerman is counsel for the Legal Representative. His address is Ackerman Law Office, P.C., 2601 South Fifth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before May 27, 2026. Any claim not filed on or before May 27, 2026, is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. Dated this 27th day of October, 2025. By: /s/ James W. Ackerman James W. Ackerman, Attorney for Legal Representative PREPARED BY: James W. Ackerman (06192795) ACKERMAN LAW OFFICE 2601 South Fifth Street Springfield, IL 62703 (217) 789-1977

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OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAI CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS JAMES R. RICHARDS, Deceased. NO. 2025-PR-405 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of James R. Richards of Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on October 22, 2025, to Becky Donley, 8 Westwood Terrace, Springfield, Illinois 62702, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Matthew J. Cate, 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 April 29, 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 22nd day of October, 2025. Matthew J. Cate - 06272040 Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP P.O. Box 79 Springfield, IL 62705-0079 (217) 544-4868 matthewcate@barberlaw.com 364258

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS Estate of VICTORIA ELIZABETH COSTERO MOLINA, Deceased. NO. 2025-PR-417 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of Victoria Elizabeth Costero Molina of Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on October 23, 2025,

to Valentina Isabel Arrieche Costero, 11 Bonniebrook Rd., Chatham, Illinois 62629, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Brittany Kink Toigo, 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 April 30, 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 23rd day of October, 2025. Brittany Kink Toigo - 06306334 Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP P.O. Box 79 Springfield, IL 62705-0079 (217) 544-4868 bk@barberlaw.com 364695

TN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAI CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of VELMA MAE FRAASE. Deceased. IN PROBATE NO. 2025-PR- 404 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of VELMA MAE FRAASE, deceased. Letters of Office were issued on October 21, 2025, to Gary L. Fraase, Executor. whose attorney is Dwight O'Keefe, Brown, Hay & Stephens, 1000 US Bank Building, P.O. Box 2459. Springfield. IL 62705. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before May 1 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 21st day of October, 2025. Dwight O' Keefe Brown, Hay & Stephens 1000 US Bank Building P.O. Box 2459

Springfield, IL 62701

(217) 544-8491

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF DEBRA KAY DAVIS, Deceased. No. 2025-PR-416 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to creditors of the estate of the death of Debra Kay Davis. Letters of Office were issued to Nicholas J. Dudley, as Administrator With Will Annexed, whose address is 1549 N. Pleasant Plains Rd. Pleasant Plains, IL 62677. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 755 ILCS 5/28-4, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

Clerk.
Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before April 30, 2026, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, three months from the date the representative mailed or delivered such notice, whichever is later. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the

Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To efile, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/ serviceproviders.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http:// www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. Dated October 22, 2025. Attorneys for Independent Executor Sorling Northrup Roger L. Rutherford, Attorney 1 North Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 200 Springfield, IL 62705 Telephone: 217-544-1144; Fax: 217-E-Mail: rlrutherford@sorlinglaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JACOLYN RUTH HERMES, DECEASED Case #2025-PR-414 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of JACOLYN RUTH HERMES. Letters of Office have been issued to JOHN REGAN HERMES 1325 Contrary Lane, Alexander, IL 62601 as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Sheehan & Sheehan, Lawyers, P.C., 1215 South 4th Street, Springfield, IL 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, Spring field, IL 62701, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before May 5, 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 22nd day of October, 2025.
Patrick J. Sheehan
SHEEHAN & SHEEHAN, LAWYERS, P.C.

Patrick J. Sheehan SHEEHAN & SHEEHAN, LAWYERS, P.C. 1215 South 4th Street Springfield, IL 62703 (217) 544-0701

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, **ILLINOIS** IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DAVID P. BILLINGS Deceased. Case No. 2025-PR-409 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of DAVID P. BILLINGS of 1928 Stonehenge Road, Springfield, Illinois, on September 13, 2025. Letters of Office were issued on the 21st day of October, A.D., 2025, to DONALD BILLINGS, 1982 Stonehenge Road, Springfield, Illinois, as Independent Executor, whose attorney of record is SCOTT & SCOTT, P.C., 611 East Monroe Street, Suite 200, Springfield, IL 62701. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Sangamon County Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62701, or with the represen tative, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the Attorney at the above addresses within ten (10) days after the claim has been filed.

DATED this 21st day of October, A.D., 2025.
Estate of DAVID P. BILLINGS, Deceased, BY:/s/ Pamela E. Hart
Pamela E. Hart, one of her Attorneys
PREPARED BY:
Pamela E. Hart (6299974)
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: BETTY LOUISE ROSS, Deceased. Case No. 2025-PR-408 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of BETTY LOUISE ROSS of 2451 W. White Oaks Drive, Springfield, Illinois, on September 21, 2025. Letters of Office were issued on the 21st day of October, A.D., 2025, to DEBRA A. VOIGT. 2536 Soleil Avenue. Springfield, Illinois 62704, as Independent Executor, whose attorney of record is SCOTT & SCOTT, P.C., 611 East Monroe Street, Suite 200, Springfield, IL 62701. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Sangamon County Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62701, or with the represen tative, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered. to the representative and to the Attorney at the above addresses within ten (10) days after the claim has been filed. DATED this 21st day of October. A.D.. Estate of BETTY LOUISE ROSS, Deceased, BY:/s/ Pamela E. Hart Pamela E. Hart, one of her Attorneys PREPARED BY:

peh@scottnscottlaw.com IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: FRANKLIN A. COBLE, Deceased. Case No. 2025-PR-401 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of FRANKLIN A. COBLE, a resident of Loami, County of Sangamon and State of Illinois on September 8, 2025. Letters of Office were issued on the 21st day of October. A.D., 2025, to JAYSON A. COBLE, 205 Lincoln Avenue, Lincoln, Illinois 62656, as Independent Executor, whose attorney of record is SCOTT & SCOTT, P.C., 611 East Monroe Street, Suite 200, Springfield, IL

Pamela E. Hart (6299974)

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Springfield, IL 62701

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Attorneys at Law

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Sangamon County Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62701, or with the representative, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered

to the representative and to the Attorney at the above addresses within ten (10) days after the claim has been filed. DATED this 21st day of October, A.D., 2025.
Estate of FRANKLIN A. COBLE, Deceased, BY./s/ Pamela E. Hart
Pamela E. Hart, one of her Attorneys
PREPARED BY:
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAI CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of IN PROBATE MARK A. KLUEMKE, Deceased. No. 2025-PR-412 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of MARK A. KLUEMKE, deceased. Letters of Office were issued on October 20, 2025, to Amy L. Kluemke, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Hugh F. Drake, Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000, Springfield, IL 62701. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 28th day of April, 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 21st day of October 2025 BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Hugh F. Drake (Registration No. 6269666) 205 S. Fifth Street, Suite 1000 P.O. Box 2459 Springfield, IL 62705-2459 (217) 544-8491 hdrake@bhslaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS Estate of: RICHARD H. DOWNING a/k/a RICHARD HARDIN DOWNING, Deceased. NO. 2025-PR-413 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of Richard H. Downing a/k/a Richard Hardin Downing of Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on October 21, 2025, to William Richard Downing, 738 West Market Street, Akron, Ohio 44303, 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 April 28, 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 21st day of October, 2025. Randall W Segatto - 06193211 Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP P.O. Box 79 Springfield, IL 62705 (217) 544-4868

rsegatto@barberlaw.com

Adoption

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF DANITA J. STEFFENS and MARTY W. STEFFENS TO ADOPT

Aliana J. Chrisman, a minor

BRIANA J. CHRISMAN and ALL UNKNOWN FATHERS, Respondents. Case No.: 2025-AD-127 ADOPTION NOTICE- STATE OF ILLINOIS County of Sangamon, ss.- Seventh Circuit Court of Sangamon County In the matter of the Petition for the Adoption of Aliana J. Chrisman, a female child. Adoption Case No. 2025-AD-127. Briana J. Chrisman and To All To 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 Aliana J. Chrisman. Now, therefore, unless you and all of 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 in the City of Springfield, Illinois, on or before the 13th day of December, 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.

Name Change IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH

field Illinois, Sangamon County

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Ky'Airre Tyshawn Simmons For change of name to Kv'Airre Tyshawn Holder Case No. 2025-MR-000490 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on Jan.

Dated: 30th day of October 2025, Spring-

13, 2026 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Ky'Airre Tvshawn Simmons to Kv'Airre Tvshawn Holder pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.

Dated: Nov. 6, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Aries Anthony Anderson For change of name to Aries Capri Broom Case No. 2025-MR-000499 Public Notice is hereby given that on Jan. 13. 2026 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Aries Anthony Anderson to Aries Capri Broom pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided.

Foreclosure

Dated: Nov. 6, 2025

24-102066 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILL INOIS LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC PLAINTIFF.

DEREK R RICHARDSON; KAYLA R RICH-ARDSON; HELENA TASSART; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS DEFENDANTS NO. 25 FC 36

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on September 17, 2025: Jack L Campbell, Sheriff, #1 Sheriff's Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701, will on

December 16, 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"

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:

LOTS 84 AND 85 IN GLEN-AIRE SECOND ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. EXCEPT THAT PART OF SAID LOT 84 LYING SOUTH AND EAST OF A LINE PARALLEL TO THE NORTH-WESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 84 AND 38.7 FEET SOUTHEASTERLY THEREFROM, MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES AND FUR-THER EXCEPT THAT PART OF SAID LOT 85 LYING NORTH AND WEST OF A LINE PARALLEL TO THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 85 AND 25 FEET NORTH-WESTERLY THEREFROM, MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES

EXCEPT ANY INTEREST IN THE COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE LAND WHICH HAVE BEEN HERETO-FORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED IN PRIOR CONVEYANCES, AND ALL RIGHTS AND FASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL. OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINER-ALS. IF ANY.

Commonly known as 28 West Bel Aire Drive, Springfield, IL 62703 Permanent Index No.: 22-11.0-479-048 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 \$178,191.76. 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 Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC One of Plaintiff's Attorneys LOGS Legal Group LLP Attorney for Plaintiff 2801 Lakeside Drive Suite 207 Bannockburn, IL 60015

(847) 291-1717 ILNOTICES@logs.com Randal S Berg (6277119) Michael N. Burke (6291435) Christopher A. Cieniawa (6187452) Laura J. Anderson (6224385) Thomas Belczak (6193705) 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 BANK-RUPTCY OR BY AN ORDER GRANTING IN REM RELIFE 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 OBI IGATION 8051-959440

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON, STATE OF WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY

FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE ON BEHALF FOR CSMC 2018-RPL12 TRUST. Plaintiff(s).

KIMOLA M. WATSON A/K/A KIMOLA WATSON. Defendant(s). Case No. 25 FC 84 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE FORECLO-

SURF NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment heretofore entered by the said Court in the above entitled cause the Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois, will on December 16, 2025, at the hour of 9:00 AM at the COUNTY BOARD CHAMBER, 2ND FLOOR, SANGAMON COUNTY COMPLEX, 200 S. 9TH STREET, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62701, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described premises and real estate in the said Judgment mentioned, situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment to wit-THE SOUTH 20 FEET OF LOT 7 AND THE NORTH 40 FFET OF LOT 8 IN BLOCK 10 OF GOLDEN GARDENS ADDITION Common Address: 3357 S. 3RD ST., SPRINGFIELD II 62703 P.I.N. 22-16.0-229-019 Contact the Law Office of IRA T. NEVEL, LLC, 175 North Franklin, Suite 201, Chicago, Illinois 60606, (312) 357-1125. for further information.

The terms of the sale are: Ten percent (10%) due by cash or certified funds at the time of the sale and balance is due within 24 hours of the sale. The subject property is subject to real estate taxes. special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "as is' condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. The property is improved by a Single Familv Residence, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, and the tenements. hereditaments and appurtenants thereunto belonging and will not be available for inspection prior to sale. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure

sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the

assessments and the legal fees required

by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). LAW OFFICES OF IRA T. NEVEL, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff Ira T Nevel - ARDC #6185808 Timothy R. Yueill - ARDC #6192172 Greg Elsnic - ARDC #6242847 Aaron Nevel - ARDC #6322724 Andrew Chu - ARDC #6285924 175 North Franklin St. Suite 201 Chicago, Illinois 60606 (312) 357-1125 . Pleadings@nevellaw.com # 25-00935

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH SANGAMON COUNTY ILLINOIS DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ACCREDIT LOANS, INC., MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFI-CATES, SERIES 2006-QS7 Plaintiff

BRANDON A. ROBBINS et al

Defendant

8051-959353

2025FC000064 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 3, 2025, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on December 5, 2025, at the Do Realty Services, 600 S 6th Street, SPRINGFIELD. IL. 62701, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: PART OF THE EAST HALF OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN SAN-GAMON COUNTY. ILLINOIS. DESCRIBED FROM THE CENTER OF SECTION 22 TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SAN-GAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THENCE WEST ON THE QUARTER SECTION LINE 2438.26 FEET; THENCE NORTH 12 DEGREES 03 MINITES 23 SECONDS WEST 133 49 FEET: THENCE NORTH 13 DEGREES 06 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST, 37.30 FFFT TO A POINT IN THE CENTERI INF OF OAKCREST ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 76 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 42 SECONDS WEST 1212 44 FFFT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THENCE NORTH 05 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST, 218.66 FEET: THENCE NORTH 33 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 37 SECONDS EAST, 48.55 FEET: THENCE NORTH 58 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 56 SECONDS EAST, 91.01 FEET: THENCE NORTH 74 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 54 SEC-ONDS EAST, 78.39 FEET; THENCE NORTH 60 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST, 62.67 FEET; THENCE NORTH 37 DE-GREES 43 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, 77 05 FFFT: THENCE NORTH 04 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 20 SECONDS EAST, 73.55 FEET; THENCE NORTH 30 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 38 SECONDS WEST, 79.97 FEET: THENCE NORTH 54 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST, 64.42 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST, 419.26 FEET TO A POINT

ON THE EAST BANK OF THE SANGAMON

RIVER THENCE SOUTH OO DEGREES 16

MINUTES 50 SECONDS FAST ALONG THE

EAST BANK OF SAID RIVER, 621.75 FEET;

THENCE NORTH 82 DEGREES 05 MINUTES

52 SECONDS EAST, 126.11 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 50 SEC-ONDS EAST, 20.51 FEET; THENCE NORTH 76 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 42 SECONDS FAST 121 88 FFFT TO THE POINT OF BE-GINNING, CONTAINING A TOTAL ACREAGE OF 4.957 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. EXCEPT ALL COAL MINERALS AND MIN-ING RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED OF RECORD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY. ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 5801 OAKCREST RD, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62707 Property Index No. 15-21.0-200-012

The real estate is improved with a residence Sale terms: If sold to anyone other than

the Plaintiff, 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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

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

by a government agency (driver's license,

passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into

our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporat conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876

THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES P.C.

15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE BURR RIDGE II 60527

630-794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-25-02066 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002

Case Number: 2025FC000064 TJSC#: 45-2518 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 2025FC000064 13275963

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD. ILLINOIS Morton Community Bank PI AINTIFF

Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Kay C. Moore; Chastane Shillaker; Kitty Moore; Beauford Moore: Jason Adkins: Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants; Dan Way, as Special Representative for Kay C. Moore (deceased) **DEFENDANTS** No 2025FC000147 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU: Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Kay C.

Moore Jason Adkins Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants That this case has been commenced in

this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows to-wit-COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 502 South Wesley Street Springfield, IL 62703 and which said Mortgage was made by: Kay C. Moore the Mortgagor(s), to Marine Bank, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois, as Document No. 2014R04597: and for other relief: that

NOW. THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court. Joseph B. Roesch Clerk of the Circuit Court

summons was duly issued out of said

that the said suit is now pending

Court against you as provided by law and

Sangamon County Courthouse 200 South Ninth Street, Room 405 Springfield, IL 62701 on or before December 8, 2025, A DF-FAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDG-MENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.

Attornevs for Plaintiff 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 DuPage # 15170 Winnebago # 531

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES P.C.

Our File No. 14-24-05168 NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector. 13275833

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF Sangamon - Springfield, ILLINOIS Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Plaintiff

Bryce Dent; et. al. Defendant 24 FC 76 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 December 10, 2025, at the hour 9:00 a.m., Harvatin Law Office, 1100 South 5th Street, Springfield, IL 62703, sell, in person, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTH-EAST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWN-SHIP 14 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS; DESCRIBED AS FOL-LOWS: FROM THE STONE AT THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 15, SOUTH ON THE QUARTER SECTION LINE 828.30 FEET TO THE STONE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 12 OF SAID HALF QUARTER SEC-TION, THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE EAST ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT, 783.42 FEET: THENCE DEFLECTING TO THE RIGHT 90 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 30 SECONDS FOR A DISTANCE OF 228.91 FEET TO THE CENTER OF TOWN-SHIP ROAD; THENCE FOLLOWING THE MEANDERINGS OF SAID CENTER LINE BY DEFLECTING TO THE RIGHT 81 DEGREES 0 MINUTES 40 SECONDS, 196.95 FEET; THENCE DEFLECTING TO THE RIGHT 3 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 30 SECONDS. 101.48 FEET; THENCE DEFLECTING TO THE RIGHT 4 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 55 SECONDS, 265.69 FEET: THENCE DE-FLECTING TO THE RIGHT 11 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 00 SECONDS 225.18 FEET TO THE AFORESAID QUARTER SECTION LINE: THENCE NORTH 232.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. EXCEPT ANY INTER-EST 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. P.I.N. 27-15.0-400-015. Commonly known as 11373 Sulphui Springs Road, Loami, IL 62661. 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. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than the mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 189.5 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 before bidding. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POS-SESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. 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. 14-24-03021 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORA-

intercountyjudicialsales.com 13275650

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF Sangamon - Springfield, ILLINOIS FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION

CHUCK KLUGE; LORI-LYNN STANCIL; COLLEEN STULTS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF THOMAS E. DALEY, DE-CEASED; DAMON RITENHOUSE, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THOMAS E. DALEY, DECEASED: UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

22 FC 85 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 December 10, 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 LAND, SITU-ATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE COUNTY OF SANGAMON, STATE OF ILLINOIS, TO WIT: LOT 61 HUNTING MEADOWS SECOND PLAT, BEING PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER AND PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 3 AND PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 14 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERID IAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 811036, EXCEPT THE COAL AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE SURFACE OF SAID LAND AND ALL RIGHTS AND

SAID COAL AND MINERALS. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS P.I.N. 29-03.0-453-039. Commonly known as 7911 HUNT RD.,

SPRINGFIELD, IL 62712.

EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF

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, Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 13010 Morris Road, Suite 450, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004. (708) 668-4410 ext. 52109. 22-023463

INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORA-TION

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

KASSY VAN HUSS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS. Defendants.

Case No. 2025FC000090 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the court on the Complaint for Foreclosure in the above-entitled cause, the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the

highest bidder.

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

(B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is: 212 E. Jefferson Street, Auburn, Illinois

62615 (C) The legal description of the real

estate is: Lot Twelve (12) in Block Three (3) of

Graham and Jones' Addition. 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.

(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, December 9, 2025; Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, 2nd Floor, Committee Room 223, Springfield, Illinois 62701 (G) The terms of the sale are:

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

(H) Title will be conveyed subject to real estate taxes for 2024 and subsequent years and special assessments, if any; to building restrictions and restrictive covenants of record: to easements of record or in place; to rights of way for roads, streets, and highways; to rights of tenants in possession, if any. Sale is subject to approval of the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois. Any real estate transfer tax which may be due as a result of the sale shall be paid by the purchaser. BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Emmet A. Fairfield Registration No. 6180505

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

ANGELA M. LANGIANO, MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC., UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS. Defendants.

Case No. 2025FC000138 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the court on the Complaint for Foreclosure in the above-entitled cause, the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

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

(B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real 1002 W. Monroe Street, Auburn, Illinois

(C) The legal description of the real estate is: Lot Six (6) in Block Three (3) of M.S.

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Wheeler's Third Addition. 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, December 9, 2025; Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, 2nd Floor, Committee Room 223, Springfield, Illinois 62701 (G) The terms of the sale are: 10% cash or certified funds at the time of sale; balance within twenty-four (24) hours of sale. Plaintiff may credit bid at the sale. The successful bidder will receive a Certificate of Purchase following

the sale and a Sheriff's Deed upon confir-

mation of the sale by the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois. (H) Title will be conveyed subject to real estate taxes for 2024 and subsequent years and special assessments, if any; to building restrictions and restrictive covenants of record; to easements of record or in place; to rights of way for roads, streets, and highways; to rights of tenants

in possession, if any. Sale is subject to approval of the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Illinois. Any real estate transfer tax which may be due as a result of the sale shall be paid by the purchaser. BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP Emmet A. Fairfield Registration No. 6180505

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8051-959204

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS INC. Plaintiff

JANICE E. SMITH et al 2025FC000010 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on August 20, 2025, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on November 24, 2025, at the Do Realty Services, 600 S 6th Street, SPRINGFIELD, IL, 62701, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF SPRING-FIELD IN THE COUNTY OF SANGAMON IN THE STATE OF IL LOT 25 IN MELTON AND SNAPE'S ROSE HILL ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD. TOGETHER WITH ALL EASEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES IN FAVOR OF SAID ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY.

EXCEPT ALL COAL. MINERALS AND MIN-ING RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OF RECORD

Commonly known as 524 S ROSE HILL AVE, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704 Property Index No. 14-32.0-252-006 The real estate is improved with a residence.

Sale terms: If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assess ments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by

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

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

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

by a government agency (driver's license,

passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527

(630) 794-9876 THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE

100 BURR RIDGE IL, 60527 630-794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-25-00474 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Case Number: 2025FC000010 TJSC#: 45-2396 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collec-

tion Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Case # 2025FC000010 13275367

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS Federal National Mortgage Association Plaintiff.

Dustin C. Bailey; et al. Defendants. 2025FC000073 1036 W. WASHINGTON ST., SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 7/9/2025, an agent of Auction com LLC will conduct the Online Only auction at www.auction.com, with the bidding window opening on December 8 2025 at 10:00 AM CDT and closing on 12/10/2025 at 10:00 AM subject to extension, and will sell at public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate. THE WEST 45 FEET OF THE NORTH 111 FEET OF LOT 12 IN CANFIELD'S SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 33. TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. EXCEPT ALL COAL, MINERALS AND MINING RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED OF RECORD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Commonly known as 1036 W. WASHING-TON ST., SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702 Property Index No. 14-33.0-103-018 The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence. The judgment amount was \$98,283,11 Sale Terms: Full Sale Terms are available on the property page at www.auction.com by entering 1036 W. WASHINGTON ST. into the search bar. The winning bidder must pay the full bid amount within twenty-four (24) hours of the auction's end. All payments must be certified funds. No third-party checks will be accepted. All bidders will need to register at www.auction.com prior to placing a bid. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a certificate of sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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

For information, contact Plaintiffs attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES PC (630) 794-5300 please refer to file number

14-25-01131. Auction.com, LLC 100 N LaSalle St., Suite 1400 Chicago, IL 60602 - 872-225-4985 You can also visit www.auction.com. Attorney File No. 14-25-01131 Case Number: 2025FC000073 NOTE: PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, YOU ARE ADVISED THAT PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR AT-TEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 13271872

Notice by Publication

Publication notice IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, II I INOIS

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

JESSE HOPSON AKA JESSIE HOPSON, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS.

Defendant(s) No 25-MR-514 NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO Jesse Hopson a/k/a Jessie Hopson, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on October 30, 2025 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 1027 N. 14th St, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as:

LOT 2 IN BLOCK 3 IN FURNATURE FAC-TORY PARK ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD

(Permanent Parcel No. 14-27-276-034); and for other relief.

UNI ESS. Jesse Honson a/k/a Jessie Honson, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court. Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or December 15, 2025, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT

/s/ Joe Roesch Clerk of Court Gregory E. Moredock Corporation Counsel Emily Rosenberger Assistant Corporation Counsel Attornevs for Plaintiff 800 E. Monroe, Room 327 Springfield, IL 62701-1653 (217) 789-2375

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

BRIAN MENICHETTI, ILLINOIS HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY. UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendant(s) No. 25-MR-513 NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO BRIAN MENICHETTI, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claim-

ants, that a complaint has been filed in the

above named court on October 30, 2025 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 730 Black Ave, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as: THE EAST 60 FEET OF LOT ONE (1) AND THE EAST 60 FEET OF THE NORTH 32 FEET OF LOT TWO (2) IN BLOCK THREE (3) OF EASTMAN, BLACK AND KEYS SUBDIVI-SION OF PART OF THE WAST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-22.0-331-008); and for other relief. UNLESS BRIAN MENICHETTI, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before December 15, 2025, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT /s/ Joe Roesch Clerk of Court Gregory E. Moredock Corporation Counsel Emily Rosenberger Assistant Corporation Counsel Attorneys for Plaintiff 800 E. Monroe, Room 327 Springfield, IL 62701-1653 (217) 789-2375

Publication notice IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS,

a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff.

CHERYL SUMPTER, US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS No. 25-MR-512

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO CHERYL SUMPTER, US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION. Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above-named court on October 30, 2025 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 2 Bryant Lane, Springfield Illinois, and legally described as: Lot 91 of Morningside Place, Third Plat (Permanent Parcel No. 14-29.0-103-008)

and for other relief. UNLESS CHERYL SUMPTER, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before December 15 2025 A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT /s/ Joe Roesch Clerk of Court

Gregory E. Moredock Corporation Counsel Emily Rosenberger Assistant Corporation Counsel Attorneys for Plaintiff 800 E. Monroe, Room 327 Springfield, IL 62701-1653 (217) 789-2375

Publication notice IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS

SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD, THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff.

KENNETH W. JONES, JR, JANICE L. JONES, SANGAMON COUNTY AS TRUSTEE, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD

Defendant(s) No. 25-MR-515

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, KENNETH W. JONES, JR., JANICE L. JONES, UNKNOWN OWN-ERS & NON-RECORDED CLAIMANTS, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on October 30, 2025 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 609 W Calhoun Ave. Springfield. Illinois, and legally described as: The South 150 feet of the West 40 feet of Lot 41 of Andrew Elliott's Subdivision of the North Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 28, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-28.0-203-026);

and for other relief.
UNLESS KENNETH W. JONES, JR, JANICE L. JONES, UNKNOWN OWNERS & NON-RECORDED CLAIMANTS FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before December 15, 2025, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT

/s/ Joe Roesch Clerk of Court Gregory E. Moredock Corporation Counsel Emily Rosenberger Assistant Corporation Counsel Attorneys for Plaintiff 800 E. Monroe, Room 327

Springfield, IL 62701-1653

(217) 789-2375

Plaintiff.

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

DIANE STARK, SANGAMON COUNTY AS TRUSTEE UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

No. 25-MR-511 NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO DIANE STARK Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on October 30, 2025 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 824 N. 7th St, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as: LOT 34 OF Z. A. ENOS' SECOND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-27.0-178-013) and for other relief. UNLESS DIANE STARK, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants FILE an answer or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before December 15, 2025, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN

THE COMPLAINT.

/s/ Joe Roesch Clerk of Court Gregory E. Moredock Corporation Counsel Emily Rosenberger Assistant Cornoration Counsel Attorneys for Plaintiff 800 E. Monroe, Room 327 Springfield, IL 62701-1653 (217) 789-2375

Publication notice IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS SANGAMON COUNTY, SPRINGFIELD. **ILLINOIS**

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

JAMES KNOX, PATRICA KNOX, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s)

No. 25-MR-459 NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, JAMES KNOX SR., PATRICIA KNOX. UNKNOWN OWNERS & NON-RECORDED CLAIMANTS, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on September 30, 2025 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 2505 S. 6th Street, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as: Lot 2 in Block 22 in Payne's South Side addition, Sixth Plat, Springfield, Illinois. (Permanent Parcel No. 22-10.0-105-002); and for other relief.

UNLESS JAMES KNOX SR., PATRICIA KNOX, UNKNOWN OWNERS & NON-RECORDED CLAIMANTS FILE an answ or otherwise file an appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, Room 405 Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, on or before December 15, 2025, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE COMPLAINT

/s/ Joe Roesch Clerk of Court Gregory E. Moredock Corporation Counsel **Emily Rosenberger** Assistant Corporation Counsel Attorneys for Plaintiff 800 E. Monroe, Room 327 Springfield, IL 62701-1653 (217) 789-2375

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS Plaintiff,

2014 Chevrolet Malibu VIN # 1G11C5SL1EF147599 Ryan Hughes No 25-MX-665 25-AF-62 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 San gamon 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 FORFEI-TURE OF THE ABOVE ASSETS PURSUANT TO ILLINOIS FORFEITURE LAW.

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.

LEGAL NOTICE: SANGAMON MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT Sealed Bids will be received until 2:00 PM CST January 15, 2026 for the purpose of East Property Development; IFB 2025-01 DESCRIPTION: Removal of vegetation, debris, and abandoned underground utilities; grading and paving the lot; installation of an over- head coiling door and a man door; and installation of new lighting and fencing.

The Invitation for Bid can be found at smtd.org/bids. Plans and specifications are available through Springfield Reprographics.

Any contract resulting from this solicitation is subject to financial assistance contracts between and/or among the District, the United States Department of Transportation, and the Illinois Department of Transportation. This project is funded, in full or in part, by the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) with participation by the Illinois Department of Transportation, and Division of Public and Intermodal Transportation. The District reserves the right to accept any Bid or any part or parts of any and all Bids. Acceptance of any Bid may be subject to concurrence by the Illinois Department of Transportation and the United States Department of Transportation.

Sangamon Mass Transit District 928 South Ninth Street Springfield, Illinois 62703-2497

CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDI-CIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD. SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF Ramyia Bias No. 2025-GR-216 To: Lottie Riney at address unknown:

Please be notified that Stephanie Otken has filed a Petition for Guardianship of Ramyia Bias, minor child. You are required to answer said Petition By December 15 2025 or be defaulted by the Court thereafter.

ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE Wishing to avail themselves of the provisions under the Self- Service Storage Facility Act, the below storage facility gives notice of the sale under said act: Monday the 24th day of November, 2025 at 10:00 AM, on that day will conduct a sale to the highest bidder, with bidding to take place on lockerfox.com, and payment to seller via credit/debit card, the contents of spaces 10 Federal Storage, 2225 J David Jones Pkwy, Springfield, IL, 62703 (217) 600-2778 Hunter Fortune 362. Christa Parson 555. Adam J Trader Trader 388/397. Artemus Hunter 342. Artemus Hunter 343. Evonne Batey 220. Karla Taber 417/418. Angela Roderick 471. Audrev Curtis 421. Patricia Piatchek 665. Teresa Houston 14 april valtille 3. Martin Piatchek 202/181. Vanessa Powell 361. Robyn e Wade 575. Jaclyn Fox 376. Crystal White 752. Phillip Campbell 63. Mary Koerner 261. Tara Dennis 213. Luvenia Campbell 774. Robert Jones 69. Christa Parson 858. Foster Robert 828. darsity donaby 485. Julie Ann Richards 447/448: 10 Federal Storage 3500 South 6th Street, Springfield, IL, 62703 (217) 387-3951 Jalisa Cheese A36. Robert Poole A69. Stephanie Dobson B187. Nyesha Jackson B205/B206. Sharon Hall A79. Rachel Rowden A91. Britney Dyer B212: 10 Federal Storage 500 W Browning Rd, Springfield, IL, 62703 (217) 339-3865 Louise L Acres 164C. Rob Johnson 144C, Tina Wilson 86B, Nora Du\y 146C. Alexandrea Cowen 223D. Tyler Hahn 104B. mircheal feagans 148C; 10 Federal Storage, 900 E Straight St. Springfield, IL, 62703 (217) 286-1550 Shamica Perkins E270. CASSANDRA santos 164. Sandra Smith E342/E343, Sarah Watson E321. Amy Porath E284. Kenesha Fair 34. RahKay James 100. Cassandra Quinn 202/254, James Smith 72, Willie Lucas E290. Van Converse 157. Van Converse 159. Sue Beach 124. Van Converse 160

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

VICTOR UMERIOHA, Respondent. NO. 2025-DN-278 as consolidated with No. 2024-GR-68 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Victor Umerioha, that a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage has been filed in the above captioned cause seeking that a Judgment of Dissolution of Marriage be entered by this Court according to the statutes, and that this Court make an appropriate award as to the allocation of marital assets and debts and the distribution of marital property. UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise appear in this case in the office of the clerk of this court. Seventh Judicial Circuit, Sangamon County, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, on or before December 17, 2025, and 8:30 a.m. A. JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE PETITION.

Joe Roesch Clerk of Court Randy S. Paswater - 06283705 Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP Springfield, IL 62705-0079 217/544-4868 paswater@barberlaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILL INOIS

THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, Plaintiff

SHERRIE L. SMITH, as Trustee, et. al. Defendant 2025ED000002 PUBLICATION NOTICE NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU LINKNOWN OWN-ERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, asking for judgment as to the determination of just compensation for certain real property legally described in Exhibit A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION (FREEWAY) Parcel No. 6011129A A part of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter and a part of the East Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 23. Township 16 North, Range 6 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Sangamon County, Illinois, being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at an iron pin found at the southeast comer of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 23; thence North 00 degrees 53 minutes 06 seconds West on the east line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 23 a distance of 306.18 feet to the existing northerly right of way line of FAP Route 67 (IL 97), being the Point of Beginning; thence North 74 degrees 15 minutes 46 seconds West on said northerly right of way line a distance of 507 .32 feet; thence South 80 degrees 00 minutes 40 seconds East a distance of 199.68 feet: thence South 74 degrees 15 minutes 46 seconds East a distance of 150.00 feet; thence North 67 degrees 37 minutes 18 seconds East a distance of 31.59 feet; thence North 00 degrees 49 minutes 45 seconds West a distance of 374.89 feet: thence North 00 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds West a distance of 299.89 feet; thence North 18 degrees 37 minutes 41 seconds West a distance of 113.70 feet; thence North 78 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds West a distance of 1166.17 feet to the west line of the Fast Half of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 23; thence North 00 degrees 53 minutes 06 seconds West on said west line a distance of 286.17 feet; thence South 78 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds East a distance of 1165.28 feet: thence North 50 degrees 42 minutes 43 seconds East a distance of 89.19 feet thence North 00 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds West a distance of 283.86 feet: thence 452.18 feet on a curve to the right with a radius of 305.00 feet through a central angle of 84 degrees 56 minutes 37 seconds, having a chord distance of 411.89 feet bearing North 41 degrees 30 minutes 29 seconds East: thence North 83 degrees 58 minutes 47 seconds East a distance of 164.92 feet to the east line of Lot 11 of James M. Bradford Estate Plat recorded in Book L Page 521 in the Sangamon County Recorder's Office; thence South 00 degrees 54 minutes 31 seconds East on said east line a distance of 110.44 feet: thence South 83 degrees 58 minutes 47 seconds West a distance of 155.08 feet; thence 289.10 feet on a curve to the left with a radius of 195.00 feet through a central angle of 84 degrees 56 minutes 37 seconds, having a chord distance of 263.34 feet bearing South 41 degrees 30 minutes 29 seconds West: thence South 00 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds East a distance of 308.86 feet: thence South 40 degrees 46 minutes 33 seconds East a distance of 108.48 feet; thence South 78 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds East a distance of 268.06 feet to the east line of Parcel No. said Lot 11; thence South 00 degrees 54 minutes 31 seconds East on said east line a distance of 286.20 feet; thence North 78 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds West a distance of 267 .29 feet: thence South 50 degrees 02 minutes 10 seconds West a distance of 64.17 feet: thence South 00 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds East a distance of 315.09 feet; thence South 00 degrees 49 minutes 45 seconds East a distance of 167 .00 feet to the north line of a parcel as described in the Warranty Deed recorded in Book 398 Page 277 in the Sangamon County Recorder's Office; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on said north line a distance of 12.16 feet to the west line of said parcel; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on said west line a distance of 293.70 feet to the existing northerly right of way line of FAP Route 67 (IL 97); thence North 74 degrees 15 minutes 46 seconds West on said northerly right of way line a distance of 32.99 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 16.458 acres more or less. The said Real Estate being also shown by the plat hereto attached and made a part hereof. Bearings and distances are based on the Illinois State Plane Coordinate System

NAD83 (1997) West Zone. Together with all existing future or

potential easements or rights of access. crossing, light, air or view, to, from or over the premises herein described and the public highway identified as FAP Route 67 from or to any remaining real property of the Defendant abutting said premises or said public highway whether consisting of one tract or contiguous parcels, except as follows:

Access to the remaining abutting lands of the Defendant will be allowed south of Station 101+50.00 and north of Station 109+00.00 of the proposed centerline of Bradfordton Road

Parcel 6011129B:

A part of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter and a part d the East Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 23, Township 16 North, Range 6 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Sangamon County, Illinois, being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at an iron pin found at the southeast comer of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 23: thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes 59 seconds West on the south line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 23 a distance of 87.27 feet to the existing west right of way line of Bradfordton Road: thence North 00 degrees 49 minutes 45 seconds West on said west right of way line a distance of 181.66 feet to the Point of 6egInning; thence North 29 degrees 40 minutes 43 seconds West a distance of 62.18 feet to the existing southerly right of way line of FAP Route 67 (IL 97): thence South 74 degrees 15 minutes 48 seconds East on said southerly right of way line a distance of 31.30 feet to the said existing west right of way line of Bradfordton Road; thence South 00 degrees 49 minutes 45 seconds East on said west right of way line a distance of 45.54 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 0.016 acres more or less.

The said Real Estate being also shown by the plat hereto attached and made a part hereof.

Bearings and distances are based on the Illinois Slate Plane Coordinate System NAD83 (1997) West Zone.

Except therein mineral interests previously conveyed

PIN 13-23-0-100-008

13-23-0-100-010

13-23-0-100-013

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and for other relief. (See attached legal description if applicable)

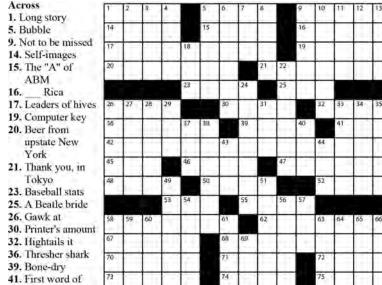
UNLESS YOU file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S 9th St #405, Springfield, Illinois 62701, on or before December 15, 2025, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT.

Joseph B. Roesch (Clerk of the Circuit Court)

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Cards Edited by J. Reynolds - No. 919



75. "Look what I

42. Lion's title 45. Duke's grp. 46. Tower site

Dante's

"Inferno"

47. Closed in on

48. Some deer 50. Raunchy

52. Parting words 53. Compass dir.

55. Actress Winslet

58. Patron saint of aviators

62. Oreo maker 67. "That hurts!"

68. "King Kong" costar, 2005

70. Beseech

71. "Waiting for the Robert

72. Observer

73. Noblemen

74. Beach bird

did!"

Down

1. Some movies: Abbr.

2. Río contents 3. Traveler

4. Away from port 5. Storybook

elephant 6. Like some

garages 7. Mineral suffix

8. One of the Simpsons

the hole" 10. Golden Horde

member

11. Court gro.

12. Leave in, as text 49. Kind of number

or toe

57. Dwindle

60. Decorative

pitcher

plane"

64. "Don't

word"

briefly

66. Gumbo pods

69. A pint, maybe

61. "Leaving on

63. "Why should

you?"

65. Sent a duplicate.

58. Work on a text

59. Granada greeting

13. Tropical root 51. Word with belly 18. Direction opposite SSW 54. Must-haves

22. Actress Rebecca of 56. In use "Ugly Betty"

24. Seattle NFLer 26. Schindler of "Schindler's List"

27. Insurance giant 28. Knight stick 29. Alphabet trio

31. "___you sure?" 33. Furious

34. Free-for-all 35. Racing vehicles

37. Alley 38. Bizarre cases

40. Fitting 43. Lao-

44. Capture

Puzzle answers from this week will appear here next week





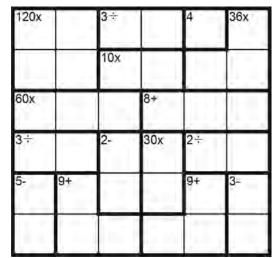
Sudoku answers from #918

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

Josh Josh answers from #918

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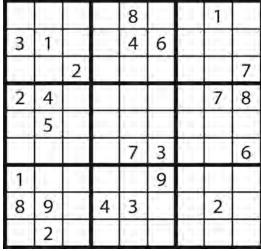
Fill the grid with digits so as not to repeat a digit in any row or column, and so that the digits within each heavily outlined box will produce the target number shown, by using addition, subtraction, multiplication or division, as indicated in the box. A 6x6 grid will use 1-6.



Difficulty hard

Sudoku No. 919

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



Difficulty medium

The Dublin Pub

1975 Wabash Ave • 217-793-6871 springfielddublinpub.com Hours: 11am-10pm Everyday.

Dublin Baked Lasagna with Garlic Bread - \$12.95

Indulge in a true Italian classic with our Dublin Baked Lasagna, a hearty, oven-baked favorite layered with tender pasta, rich homemade meat sauce, and a generous blend of Mozzarella and Provel cheeses melted to golden perfection. Every bite is warm, comforting, and full of flavor - the kind of dish that feels like home. Served with a side of our freshly baked garlic bread, perfect for soaking up every bit of that savory sauce. Make it cheese garlic bread for just \$0.95 more because everything's better with more cheese!

Bella Milano

4245 Wabash Ave. • 217-547-0011 bellamilanos.com Hours: Sunday-Thursday 11am-9pm, Friday and Saturday 11am-10pm

Teriyaki Meatballs - \$7 Pumpkin Spice Mule - \$9

Hand-made meatballs with a teriyaki glaze, green onions, and sesame seeds, over fried spinach. Vanilla vodka, lime, pumpkin puree, pumpkin spice, ginger beer.

Main Gate Bar & Grill

2143 N. 11th St. • 217-528-8940 (across from Illinois State Fair main gate) Kitchen is open 10:30am-1am. maingatebar.com.

Italian Sausage Pepper Grinder - \$9

add 2nd grinder for \$4. Italian sausage smothered in marinara and topped with roasted red peppers & shaved parmesan. Served with Italian potato wedges topped with garlic, Romona and Italian seasonings. Pair your sandwich with a delicious vodka cranberry, pineapple with a splash of OJ for just \$3. Call 217-528-8940 for carryout. Play Slots and win big with Accel Entertainment. Illinois leading terminal operator

Mel O Cream Donuts

Available at all Springfield stores, 3010 S, 6th and 4411 Yucan Drive is open 5:30am-6:00pm Wednesday-Sunday and 5:30am-noon on Monday and Tuesdays. 525 N Grand Ave and 1953 W Monroe is open 5:30am-noon daily. 217 E Laurel is open 6:00am-noon daily.

Italian Cream Cake Donut -

Vanilla custard filled Bismark with white icing and topped with toasted coconut and house made buttercream.

D'Arcy's Pint 661 W. Stanford Ave. • 217-492-8800 Tuesday-Saturday 11am-9pm

Pasta Norcina alla D'arcy's -\$13.99

A soulful and comforting combination of sausage, mushrooms, White Wine, Pecorino Romano Cheese with a hint of nutmeg, baby spinach and cream. Served with a small side salad and garlic bread. Play here. Win big! Video gaming powered by J&J Gaming.

Noodles & Co.

2575 Wabash Avenue • 217-546-7400 Location & Hours: Sunday-Wendesday 10:30am-9pm, Thursday-Saturday 10:30am-10pm

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Chicken Parmesan - \$11.10

Oven-baked rigatoni noodles in crushed tomato marinara with parmesan-crusted chicken, topped with mozzarella and parsley.

Razzo's Family Pizzeria

129 S. John St., Rochester Hours: Daily 4pm-9pm 2023 Best Italian Restaurant

Gnocchi alla Vodka - \$16.99

There's nothing quite like Italian comfort food to warm up a cool fall evening. Our Gnocchi alla Vodka features soft, pillowy potato gnocchi cooked to perfection and enveloped in a rich, creamy house-made vodka sauce. The sauce strikes the perfect balance of smooth cream, ripe tomatoes, and a hint of heat, creating a velvety texture that clings lovingly to each tender bite. Served with warm garlic bread and a fresh house salad, this hearty dish is a celebration of classic flavors and simple indulgence. For the perfect pairing, enjoy it with a crisp glass of our Pinot Grigio, whose bright notes beautifully complement the creamy richness of the sauce. Winners Play Slots Here with Universal Gem.

Italian Week is November 10-16. Prices vary by location. Explore a few local restaurants this week for a little taste of Italy from area chefs who have created some amazing dishes for this new food week. Most locations will offer dinein, curbside and outdoor dining options. Please call the restaurants, visit 217foodweek.com for additional information. Please be patient as the volume will be high and there may be a longer wait for your food or drink orders. Be sure to tip your server or curbside delivery person. Featured Food Week items and prices can be found at 217foodweek.com as well as 217 Food Week's Facebook page.

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