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City Council denies public vote on landlord registry

In a chaotic vote, council narrowly strikes down advisory referendum

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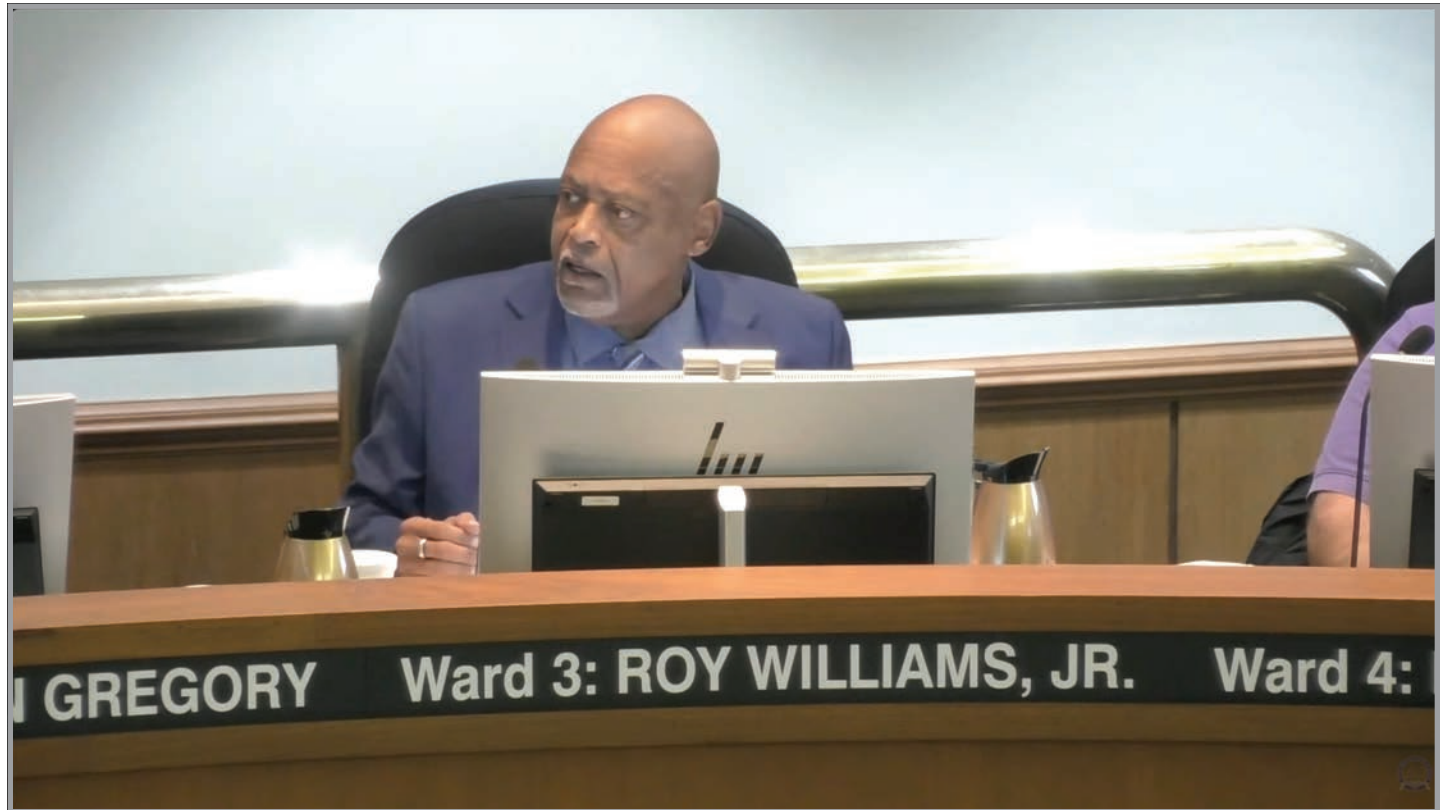
The Springfield City Council once again shot down the idea of a landlord registry during a chaotic Nov. 18 meeting, voting not to place an advisory referendum on the March ballot for voters to decide whether the city should compile a list of landlords and monitor their rental properties.

The ordinance failed despite a 5-4 vote in favor of placing a referendum on the March primary election ballot, with Ward 5 Ald. Lakeisha Purchase – who is a landlord herself – recusing herself from the vote despite past votes on ordinances related to such registries. That recusal meant that although more council members voted for it than against it, the ordinance did not receive the six votes considered a “simple majority” of the 10-member council.

Less than an hour after announcing the ordinance had failed, Mayor Misty Buscher made a point of order to correct the record and said she would have voted no on the ordinance; Buscher said she should vote on the ordinance due to the city’s consent decree requiring the mayor to break ties.

Gregory Moredock, the city’s legal counsel, attempted to explain the confusion – and distinction between a council member recusing themselves from a vote as opposed to voting present – to the council.

“While the most common situation (where) the mayor votes in the City Council is with a tie, what we had here was...where



Ward 3 Ald. Roy Williams addresses the City Council Nov. 18, asking fellow members to support his ordinance to add an advisory referendum on the March ballot for voters to decide whether the city should compile a list of landlords and monitor their rental properties.

one half of the aldermen voted in favor of an ordinance, even though there was no tie,” Moredock said, explaining that Purchase’s

recusal meant only nine members of the council had registered votes. “That’s a 6-4 vote in favor, if she (Purchase) had voted present; recusal is different than voting present.”

He informed the council that only the prevailing side of an ordinance – in this case the alders who voted against the failed ordinance – can call for a reconsideration.

Purchase’s recusal, which she said was a result of a conflict of interest, became a point of contention. The sponsors of the failed ordinance, Ward 3 Ald. Roy Williams and Ward 6 Ald. Jennifer Notariano, eventually requested the council members who voted against the ordinance to bring a motion to reconsider the ordinance but none obliged.

Joining the ordinance’s sponsors in voting yes to add the referendum to the ballot were Ward 2 Ald. Shawn Gregory, Ward 4 Ald. Larry Rockford and Ward 8 Ald. Erin Conley. Ward 1 Ald. Jeff Cox, Ward 7 Ald. Brad Carlson, Ward 9 Ald. Jim Donelan and Ward 10 Ald. Ralph Hanauer all voted against bringing the non-binding referendum to

Springfield voters.

Jill Steiner, president of Springfield Independent Coalition for Our Neighborhoods (ICON), sent a statement to *Illinois Times* following the vote chastising the City Council and imploring residents to contact their alderperson to ask for an explanation on their vote.

“ICON expresses its profound disappointment and growing loss of faith in a process that is meant to be for the people, by the people,” the statement reads in part. “The no votes by the four City Council members silences the voices of thousands of residents who expected elected representatives to act in their best interest. Even more troubling, one alderperson’s constituents were left without representation in this critical matter.”

Even if the council had voted to add the referendum language to the March ballot and voters later approved it, it would have still fallen on the City Council to work out the details of the landlord registry and how to implement it.

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Editor’s note

At its 17th annual breakfast in Springfield Tuesday, the Faith Coalition for the Common Good displayed its faith that organizing for equity and justice can do uncommon good. The spokesperson for the group’s task force on housing was a renter who described the joy of moving into her “new home,” only to be crushed by disappointment when the landlord wouldn’t fix the toilet or get rid of the bugs. The energy task force reported its efforts to slow down approvals for a big data center until the public’s questions are answered. An education group works on stopping violence between students and resolving school absenteeism. Another task force helps leaders to become public speakers. And a new group, the Good Trouble Task Force, promotes fair wages and job opportunities. “We don’t live to work,” said one of the speakers. “We work to live.” The Coalition, one of the most diverse organizations in Springfield, bites off big issues, so it always needs more money and more volunteers. Contact FCCG at info@faithcoalition-il.org. – Fletcher Farrar, editor



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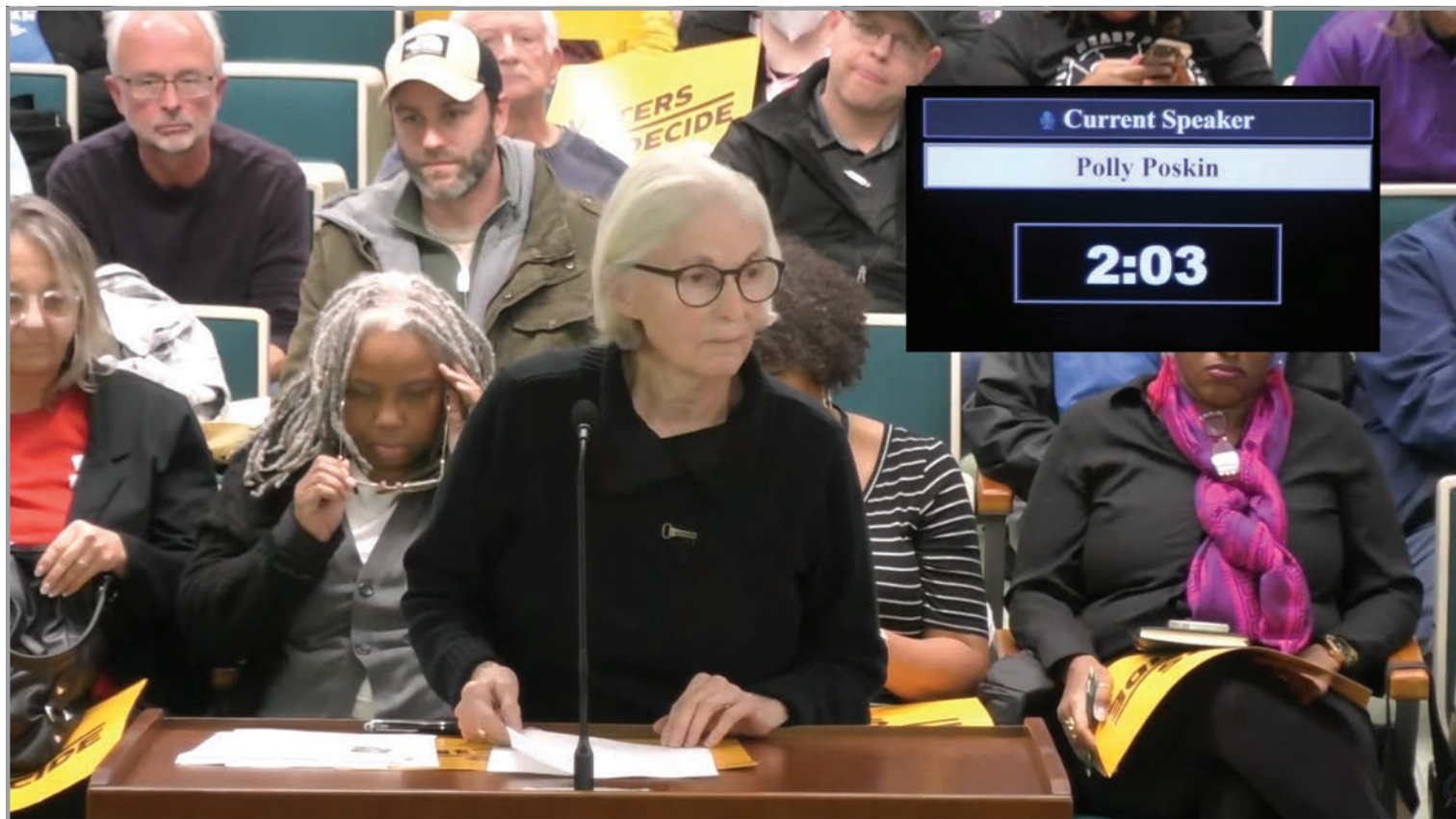




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Polly Poskin, president of Harvard Park Neighborhood Association, addresses the City Council Nov. 18. Poskin, who is also a member of ICON, expressed support for the ordinance that would have created a landlord registration referendum on the March ballot.

At the Nov. 12 Committee of the Whole meeting, Carlson hinted that the council should potentially decide on the issue rather than voters. He ultimately voted against creating a referendum for voters.

“I have no problem putting this as an advisory referendum, but with that being said, we deal with very important ordinances every week,” Carlson said. “At what point do we stop? What other ordinances should we throw down the path of an advisory referendum in March? We talk about issues every week that are important – if that’s the case, we could just sit back and throw everything on advisory referendum, so that’s what I don’t get.”

Rockford took a different stance, arguing the council can’t seem to reach a consensus that would appeal to renters and landlords.

“We’re not getting anywhere (with these discussions), so if we put it on a referendum, give it to the people, let them decide what’s going on. And then we can come back to the table, we can discuss the fines,” Rockford said. “But to just keep kicking the can down the road again and saying, ‘Well, we’ll look at this another time,’ let’s get it over with. We’ve got plenty of time between now and March and we could have some good discussions.”

He implored landlords to attend a future

council meeting and share their concerns.

In 2023, the City Council voted against an ordinance that would have established a landlord registry for buildings with more than 50 units and properties with at least 10 units in two or more buildings. That ordinance, which was also sponsored by Williams, garnered only four votes and failed to advance past the committee of the whole. Purchase voted no on that version of the ordinance.

Moredock, the city’s legal counsel, informed the council that the city has somewhere between 21,000 and 27,000 rental units. Census data shows 90% of Springfield’s almost 58,000 housing units are occupied, with renters accounting for about a third of the city’s residents.

Reform for Illinois, a nonprofit that tracks money in politics, reports Springfield city officials have received more than \$100,000 from the REALTORS Political Action Committee over the past decade, with the majority of those funds donated to one officeholder.

Mayor Buscher, whose husband is a managing broker at The Real Estate Group, the area’s largest real estate firm, has received almost \$85,000 in donations to her campaign committee from the Realtors’ PAC. The

donations began during her initial run for city treasurer in 2015 and have continued through October 2025, according to Reform for Illinois.

Carlson’s campaign committee received \$3,500 from the same PAC while Hanauer’s received \$9,500, according to the database. It also shows the campaign committees for Gregory and Conley, who voted in favor of the advisory referendum, have received \$1,500 and \$2,500 from the PAC, respectively. Purchase received \$3,000 to her campaign committee over a three-year period.

Nash Oldenettel, a lobbyist from Illinois Realtors, a trade association headquartered in Springfield representing “private property rights,” told the council Nov. 18 the association opposed the ordinance, claiming it would be too costly to license landlords and inspect properties in a similar fashion to how the city licenses restaurants, bars or other establishments.

The City Council voted in August to adopt a cited property registry, but Gregory said at the Nov. 12 meeting the council should take further action to make sure landlords who aren’t based in Springfield are identified and held responsible for their properties.

“The least we could do is say, ‘Out-of-

town landlords, we not only need to license you, but we need to make sure that you take care of your trash and grass.’ That’s what we run through, fly dumping everywhere because people don’t have trash (services),” Gregory said. “This is about putting it to the people. They should have a chance to vote on it, up or down, because we done turned down every which way we’ve tried to do it.”

Over the past two weeks, numerous renters have addressed the council during public comments to ask council members to approve the ordinance to allow voters a say in the matter.

Multiple landlords sent emails, shared with *Illinois Times*, to City Council members last week urging them to vote against the ordinance. Of the emails from seven different landlords shared with *IT*, a majority argued that the existing market and policies should weed out “bad” operators while warning that increased inspections and registry fees would lead to rent increases.

However, costs and enforcement associated with rental registries are largely at local government’s discretion. Housing Solutions Lab, a

think tank from New York University funded mostly by philanthropy, reported last year that landlord registration fees typically ranged from \$15 to \$50 per unit, with the lowest being \$5.25 annually per unit.

Williams, who sponsored the ordinance, reaffirmed his stance for putting the referendum to voters early next year.

“It’s been well over time to do something different in Springfield, Illinois, for the landlords and the tenants to make things better,” Williams said. “This is not an anti-landlord type of situation. The problem in Springfield is, it’s been slanted one way too long and for so long that the people we’re hearing from and emailing us and doing all this, they want the status quo. But the need (for a registry) is there, and I think the referendum will show us that a need is there.”

Cox said regardless of a referendum, the council will need to decide how to establish rules for landlords and enforce any ordinances that are adopted. He acknowledged that the city does have work to do.

“We have good landlords; we have bad landlords. We need to get rid of the bad ones or make them rise to the top with the good landlords,” he said. □

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The “American experiment itself” at stake

Veteran journalist decries Trump administration’s efforts to silence the press

FIRST AMENDMENT | Adrian Dater

Steven Herman, the former White House and chief national correspondent for Voice of America, gave a 45-minute speech at Illini Country Club Wednesday night that the Trump Administration surely wouldn’t have liked. In a packed room that included U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, Herman chastised the government’s incursions on freedom of the press that have included the recent shuttering of the 83-year-old Voice of America.

The talk concluded, and the crowd of around 300 or so disbursed in peace. The First Amendment, on this night anyway, prevailed again. The path to totalitarianism, however, the veteran journalist warned, has always started with the silencing of a free and independent press.

“The tactics differ in detail, but the underlying playbook is the same: combine economic pressure, legal harassment, regulatory intimidation and ownership manipulation to shift media from a watchdog role to a compliant mouthpiece,” Herman said. “Each action, taken individually, can be defended as lawful, but they erode the structural independence on which a free press depends.”

Herman, 65, published his first stories as a professional journalist at 17 before retiring in 2021 after five years as White House bureau chief and chief national correspondent for Voice of America. Today, he is the executive director at the Jordan Center for Journalism Advocacy and Innovation at the University of Mississippi. The World Affairs Council of Central Illinois, a civic organization dedicated to educating the public about U.S. foreign policy, brought him to Springfield for a Nov. 12 dinner and program.

The press – at least the kind Trump didn’t like – was labeled as “the enemy of the people” and “fake news” in his first administration from 2016-20. Voice of America, which broadcast to a daily audience of 360 million in 48 countries in their native languages, persevered and continued through Joe Biden’s presidency.

When Trump was reelected last year, however, Voice of America was one of the first targets on the chopping block of Elon Musk and the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE). Despite “evidence” that was entirely subjective, VOA was branded by Musk as just another woke apparatus of the liberal media and “unsalvageable rot” by the incoming director of the U.S. Agency for



The World Affairs Council of Central Illinois brought Steven Herman, the former White House and chief national correspondent for Voice of America, to speak Nov. 12 at Illini Country Club. PHOTO BY CINDA KLIČKNA

Global Media, Kari Lake, a former Arizona TV newscaster and twice-failed gubernatorial candidate in the state.

Hundreds of government-funded VOA staffers were out of work. No longer can people under totalitarian rule in places such as Moscow, Beijing, Pyongyang and Tehran hear the work of VOA, which Herman said was “telling American stories to the world.” Started by Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1942 during World War II, VOA was considered an important weapon of American “soft power.” Its first broadcast that year was to Germans, in their native language, and promised truth – whether good or bad – from the American side.

Joseph Goebbels, Adolf Hitler’s propaganda minister, was among the first to try to weaponize the power of radio to American and British listeners. “Germany Calling,” hosted by American-born fascist William Joyce and others, broadcast, in English, Nazi propaganda designed to sow doubt and demoralize Brits and Americans.

After the war, Joyce became the last person in Britain executed for treason. The Japanese tried the same thing with a collection of women known as “Tokyo Rose,” who broadcast propaganda overseas designed to demoralize Americans in the Pacific theater.

It may seem ridiculous to many Americans that freedom of the press can ever be done away with, Herman said, but try telling that to broadcast networks that have been subject to what he called “shakedowns” by the Trump Administration. Examples include financial settlements paid by ABC and CBS for content the administration contended was unfair and the threat made to ABC that its FCC license would be revoked over comments made by late-night talk show host Jimmy Kimmel. Tell that to the *New York Times* or the BBC, which currently have defamation lawsuits against them filed by Trump, he said. Tell that to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (PBS), which had its government funding cut.

Herman said he has had some “critiques” of PBS and its subsidiary, National Public

Radio. Some, including a former NPR top editor, Uri Berliner – who no one would have confused for a MAGA conservative – resigned over a belief that the network had swung too far to the left.

To a charge that VOA might have also gone too “woke,” as Trump and DOGE alleged, Herman disagrees.

“Was VOA perfect 100% of the time? No. It was 48 language services of 1,500 people. But I worked in the standards and practices unit, and we took very seriously any complaints,” Herman said. “I sometimes felt I did a good job because I got criticism from the left and the right. But people now basically (have) their confirmation bias. They want you to conform to their views.”

Herman said that VOA had a very specific mission and included self-correction mechanisms and internal reviews.

“Ultimately, Congress could hold a hearing if they thought there was some systemic problem with VOA. They didn’t. I’m very proud of what we did and how we did it,” he said.

As part of his goal at his job in Mississippi, Herman is hoping to implement a labeling system on stories that have been properly vetted for their accuracy and trustworthiness as news sources. Green labels would signify accuracy and originality. Red labels would be stamped on stories deemed as improperly vetted or just part of the “hot take industrial complex” that Herman says pervades today’s media world.

“If somebody is all red, like Alex Jones, maybe you shouldn’t be getting your information from them,” said Herman, whose latest book, *Behind the White House Curtain: A Senior Journalist’s Story of Covering the President – and Why it Matters*, will be out in paperback next year.

Not that Herman is calling for the suppression of any kind of speech, he is quick to add.

“If speech can be suppressed, whether that is conservative, liberal or libertarian speech, the American people cannot challenge tyranny or correct injustice,” Herman said. “What’s at stake, ultimately, is not just a legal right. It is the American experiment itself.” □

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NEWS

Public hearing on data center proposal

UTILITIES | Dean Olsen



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. PHOTO BY ZACH ADAMS

It's unclear whether the Sangamon County Board can, or will, delay a vote for six months or more on zoning, as some residents have requested, for what would be the county's first data center.

But the board has taken a step to broaden discussion on the controversial proposal by scheduling a Dec. 3 public hearing. The board announced that the hearing will begin at 5:30 p.m. Dec. 3 at the BOS Center at 1 Convention Center Plaza in downtown Springfield.

The hearing could last as long as six hours, County Board spokesperson Jeff Wilhite said.

The company that wants to build the \$500 million data center in rural Talkington Township, Dallas-based CyrusOne, will be given 30 minutes to make a presentation during the hearing, Wilhite said. The Coalition for Springfield's Utility Future, a citizens' group that has opposed the data center and asked for a six-month moratorium on any County Board votes to allow for more debate and study, will have 30 minutes to make a presentation as well. Sangamon County government staff and other experts also will have 30 minutes for a presentation, Wilhite said.

The hearing will include time for County Board members to ask questions of various presenters, and there will be time for the public to ask questions and get responses, he said.

Members of the public are encouraged to sign up to speak ahead of time and can do so online at <https://tinyurl.com/SangamonCountyBoard>. People who want to speak also can sign up at the public hearing, Wilhite said.

County officials have set up a web page with links to news stories about the proposal and a question-and-answer section that is being updated regularly. That web page is <https://tinyurl.com/SangamonDataCenter>.

To move forward, CyrusOne would need to receive "conditional use" permit approval through a majority vote of the 29-member, Republican-controlled County Board. The soonest the board is expected to vote on the request is the board's Jan. 13 meeting.

The board first discussed the proposal at its Nov. 10 meeting. In addition to the Dec. 3 hearing, the public will be able to comment on the plan at the board's Dec. 9 board meeting and at several County Board committee meetings.

Those committee meetings include the Zoning and Land Use Committee's 5:45 p.m. meeting Nov. 20; the Zoning Board of Appeals' 6:30 p.m. meeting Nov. 20; and the Zoning and Land Use and ZBA's meetings on Dec. 18.

Anne Logue, a member of the Coalition for Springfield's Energy Future, told County

Board members during the public comment section of the board's Nov. 10 meeting that she wants to see any new property taxes generated by the project to be guaranteed in writing so the company isn't able to secure any drastic reductions in assessed valuation later.

Logue said she also would like the County Board to be required to get the 636 megawatts of power required to operate the center through renewable energy sources so the data center wouldn't contribute to climate change through electricity produced with fossil fuels.

County Board Chair Andy Van Meter, a Springfield Republican, told *Illinois Times* he doesn't know whether Logue's requests would be within the County Board's authority to grant.

And Assistant State's Attorney Joel Benoit, the board's legal adviser, told the board on Nov. 10 that the board could adopt a moratorium on zoning votes for data centers. But he said the moratorium wouldn't protect the board in court if it were sued by someone claiming the delay was illegal. □

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Women's pro baseball coming here

New league will play its 2026 season at Robin Roberts Stadium

SPORTS | Adrian Dater

Springfield, the site of the very first paid professional women's baseball game of any kind, will soon be home again to women's professional baseball. The inaugural season of the Women's Professional Baseball League will be played at Robin Roberts Stadium starting Aug. 1.

Four teams, from San Francisco, Los Angeles, Boston and New York, will play a seven-week inaugural regular season in Springfield and then depart for their home cities for a second season. That won't be the end of the WPBL in Springfield, however. As part of an agreement between the league, the city and Golden Rule Entertainment – owners of the Springfield Lucky Horseshoes of the Prospect League – a developmental league for the WPBL will continue on for the league in 2027. Think of it as a Triple-A pipeline for women's pro baseball having its home in Springfield.

"We're going to have a big year in Springfield in 2026, and this is like a cherry on top of that," Springfield mayor Misty Buscher said at a press conference Nov. 17 at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library. "Robin Roberts has a great history and modern upgrades, and I can't wait to see that first pitch."

An ordinance transferring ownership of the ballpark to the nonprofit Friends of Robin Roberts Stadium is expected to be finalized at the Nov. 18 Springfield City Council meeting. Jamie Toole and Melissa Gaynor, managers and partial owners of the Lucky Horseshoes, have expressed their desire to upgrade the facility and attract more entertainment options. The city served as the middleman for the property, which was previously owned and operated by the Springfield Park District.

An 1875 *Daily Illinois State Register* article with the headline "Sensation of the Age, Lady Bass Ball Match" touted a game between teams named the Blondes and Brunettes, which began a barnstorming tour on Sept. 11 at the "ball grounds" on North Seventh Street.

"At the hour for the game to commence the girls 'came to the scratch' clad in a neat and showy uniform, and at once proceeded to business," the article said. "The contest seemed to be greatly enjoyed by the spectators and an unusual 'pose,' a home run or a fly-catch, was certain to provoke a burst of applause. Everything, however, was done decently and in order, and there was nothing, save, perhaps,



Left to right: Sen. Doris Turner, Mayor Misty Buscher, Amanda Gianelloni, Kat Williams and Jamie Toole at a Nov. 17 press conference announcing plans for the Women's Professional Baseball League to play in Springfield. PHOTO BY ZACH ADAMS

the exhibition of female anatomy, to which exception could be taken."

Presumably, not as much literary attention will focus on "female anatomy" for the WPBL players.

The league is funded by Justine Siegal and Keith Stein, with Muse Capital as a financial adviser. The four teams will have 15 roster spots, with the league's first entry draft happening soon. While there is no network television partner, it is a goal, said International Women's Baseball Center chief executive Kat Williams, who will be an adviser to the WPBL.

"Baseball is the best game in the world and women have always played it," Williams said. "This is not new. People think softball has always been the only sport for women, but in fact softball was never created for women. In 1939, it was created by men in Chicago so that they could play indoors during the winter."

Springfield was home to a team, the Sallies, in 1948 as part of the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League, which played from 1943-54 and was made famous by the 1992 movie *A League of Their Own*. The Springfield Sallies, who played at the old Fitzpatrick Stadium, was not a good team and drew limited crowds, leading to their relocation during the season.

What makes the league's organizers think women's pro baseball can find success in Springfield, even if just for one season?

"The best players in the world will be here playing," said Amanda Gianelloni, who has played for the U.S. Women's Baseball World

Cup team and figures to be a top draftee of the new league. "The league has gone from zero followers to more than 100,000 followers on social media, and we're getting a lot of buzz from a national media perspective."

Games in the WPBL will be seven innings and feature aluminum bats. The season will begin following the conclusion of the Lucky Horseshoes season, with games played on Thursday nights and a weekend night, most likely Sunday.

If girls only have the option to play softball in high schools and junior high leagues, as it currently stands, won't the WPBL have trouble developing baseball players? They are, as Williams pointed out, "two totally different sports."

"It'll be interesting to see what happens," Gianelloni said. "Maybe we will see women's baseball start happening more in high schools. As our league grows and hopefully more teams added, hopefully more young girls will want to play baseball beyond high school and not just softball."

Title XI required the equivalent of boys' baseball to be offered to high-school girls, and softball was deemed that equivalent. But Williams, who said she played softball and loved it, wants to give real baseball another shot to women professionally.

"That's why this developmental league here will be so important. It'll be a pipeline for the top league. We're out there. We love baseball, both to watch it and to play it," she said. □

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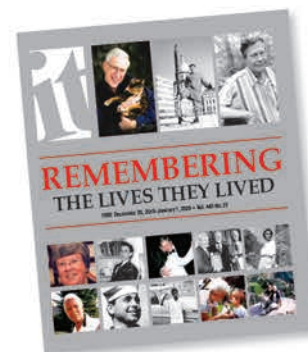


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OPINION



Around 120 people attended an Oct. 29 meeting at Lincoln Library hosted by the Coalition for Springfield's Utility Future. The group has asked the Sangamon County Board for a six-month moratorium on any action involving a proposed data center so any pros and cons can be vetted and debated in more depth. PHOTO BY MAX CROUCH

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EMPTY PROMISES

I attended the Oct. 29 meeting at Lincoln Library and I was grateful for the presentations made by everyone ("Data center plans delayed," Nov. 5). There are too many promises made that we see other cities now suffering through, because once the data center is built, it's the companies with big money and big lawyers who get the laws changed to screw the average citizen.

*Rosanna Pulido
Springfield*

THINK LONG TERM

When it comes to data centers, the Sangamon County Board needs to have a complete picture of the complexity of the promise and reality of opening up to these companies. Greed or desperation should not be the driving force when approaching an agreement with CyrusOne for a data center.

When it comes to taxation benefits, companies have been known to deliver Year 1, then go back to court and cut their taxes by up to 90%. Property assessments can vary greatly with data centers, and don't think the companies will hesitate to take advantage of it. Legal advice and representation fees must be considered possible expenses.

Six hundred megawatts is an enormous amount of energy,

and when the grid is stressed, we all pay higher rates. On top of this, our global CO2 levels are at a tipping point.

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We need to tread carefully and examine the long-term consequences.

*Anne Logue
Springfield*

A POWERFUL PORTRAYAL

Before "Sanford and Son," before "Good Times," before "The Jeffersons," the Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright August Wilson gifted us with *Fences*, portrayed at the Hoogland Center for the Arts.

In his concept of an ideal "Negro" man struggling from within, Wilson created a character, Troy Maxson (Kess Robertson), to represent the isolated and lost dreams of a generation barricaded by racism and self-doubt.

Maxson literally keeps his eyes on the ball while struggling with his lost esteem as a former Negro League baseball player,

drenched in his own wisdom and alcohol. With lines like "Death ain't nothing but a fast ball on the outside corner," Robertson mesmerizes the audience to look within to find answers to life's most perplexing problems.

Troy's friend, Jim Bono (Michael Wallace), pushes to convict Troy of his ways that are harmful to all, a convincing command portrayed by Wallace.

Rose Maxson (Kelly Spencer) dramatizes the loving care of a wife and mother during the difficult struggles of a child (Raynell, played by Lele Jenkins) not hers born to her husband.

Spencer portrays three characters rolled into one person with a dramatic climax of losing the dreams she once had and the sacrifices she made to keep a family from falling apart.

Two sons, Lyons (Horace Ceasar II) and Cory (Johnathan Alamu), are set in their ways and directed by their dreams. Lyons plays it cool and collected, while Cory becomes a man in his final chapter of a war just beginning.

Seven characters and two generations depict what life is like during the transformation from "Negroes" (1950s) to "Black" (1960s). Those barriers are broken at the sound of the first trumpet blown by Gabriel (Reggie Guyton), leading the way for the civil rights revolution of the 1960s, and the rest is history in the making (See review on p. 23).

*Douglas Yul Holt
Springfield*

Omission

I have visited the Bronte homestead in Haworth England many times, with classes and with my daughters and have seen the portrait on the landing of the famous Bronte sisters who surround a painted-out blob in the middle of the circular frame. Did Branwell Bronte paint himself out? Or a sister? Or someone later? I Wonder how many family histories, not so well known have painted someone out?

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Chuy Garcia and the machine

POLITICS | Rich Miller

You likely already know that U.S. Rep. Chuy García (D-Chicago) dropped out of his re-election race in a way that essentially handed his seat to his top aide.

After his doctor advised him not to run again because of his heart condition, and his spouse who has multiple sclerosis which didn't respond to her most recent treatment asked him not to run again as well, and the fact that they'd just adopted a grandchild of his late daughter, García said he decided the Friday before the Monday petition filing deadline to drop out. He also claimed he decided the same day to back his chief of staff Patty García (no relation) to replace him on the ballot.

The literally last-minute petition filing meant that people who would've run if García had announced his intent earlier were shut out of the race.

Some people don't buy García's story, saying they heard the day he announced that rumors were circulating a few weeks before about how García might not run again. But those rumors have circulated quite often since his 2023 mayoral loss, mostly second-hand.

When I told García that some felt cheated by his decision, the incumbent said that while he respects their views, he followed all the rules. And he did do that.

I was also interested in knowing how he managed to keep this hand-off project a secret. García said his organization collected 2,500 signatures for Patty García over the weekend, so he said he was also surprised that nobody figured it out before he dropped the bombshell late Monday afternoon.

"I kept looking at my phone every little while (during the weekend), because I expected calls from mayors, trustees, political operatives, or just some of our super voters to see if everything was okay, or if Patty García had gone rogue or something, or we had had a falling out." But, he said, "Not one call."

Chuy is one of the longest-serving politicians in Chicago (he was first elected to the Chicago city council in 1986), but word didn't get out. That's quite something.

Rep. García and I also talked about the history of Latino political success on the city's Southwest Side and in the suburbs and his role in it. He said he recognized early on that the demographics were starting to change in that part of the world many years ago. "We were following that, we were waiting for the

ripening of the conditions," he said.

García said they would constantly probe the machine over the years for possible openings, and analyzed "the old organizations and how they work," including then-Speaker Michael Madigan's operation. But, he said, it was crucial to watch not only demographics, but "especially understanding citizen voting age population and when it was a time to make the move." Huge numbers of Latinos were not old enough to vote back in the day, but time eventually solved that impediment. Hence, "the ripening."

Years ago, I wrote that Madigan had essentially thrown in the towel to García, agreeing to drop his support for White incumbents in city and suburban Latino areas against García's progressive candidates as long as his own direct sphere of influence, mainly his 13th Ward and the 23rd Ward, were left alone. "We were able to deal from a position of strength," García said, "because it was becoming more evident what was happening."

It wasn't a one-way street by any means. No progressive House Latinos joined the 19

House Democrats who successfully called for Madigan's ouster, for example.

I've known García since he was elected to the Illinois Senate in 1992. Back then, so few Latinos were in the Senate that they joined the Black Caucus, which Chuy eventually chaired. He lost a primary in 1998 to a machine-backed candidate and was eventually elected to the county board and then Congress.

One of the things he said he's most proud of is bringing younger Latinos into politics, and, in the past several years, helping women get elected. "We've, over the past 10 years, redeemed ourselves by empowering more women, because that was one of the biggest shortcomings. That's the case for women generally, but certainly we've tried to intentionally correct that, and I feel really good about that," García said.

And the latest recruit is his chief of staff, Patty García, whether some people like it or not. Chuy studied the machine well. □

Rich Miller also publishes *Capitol Fax*, a daily political newsletter, and *CapitolFax.com*.



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Misinformation about Pretrial Fairness Act in Illinois

Anyone posing a “real and present threat” can still be detained

GUESTWORK | Susan Bramlet Lavin

Spurred on by Donald Trump’s fearmongering about “cashless bail” and a “lawless” Illinois, some law enforcement officials and Republican elected officials are recycling tired misconceptions about the Pretrial Fairness Act to distract the public from their real policy failures. This was most recently seen in the Illinois Valley, where hospitals are closing, shelters are overflowing and water pipes are leaking lead. You’d think local leaders would focus on fixing those problems.

In 2023, Illinois became the first state in the nation to end money bond, passing the Pretrial Fairness Act. As legislators debated the bill, law enforcement officials engaged in misinformation campaigns against it, claiming the reforms would usher in an era of complete lawlessness. But two years have passed, and the reforms are working. And yet, those same opponents have been consistent in their strategy of evoking fear. Recently, Illinois Valley law enforcement officials spread disinformation when they called for a return to money bond.

The LaSalle County sheriff claimed that the Pretrial Fairness Act doesn’t allow prosecutors and judges to consider a person’s criminal history. The Oglesby police chief implied that police aren’t allowed to make certain low-level misdemeanor arrests even when there is a threat to safety or the person is a repeat offender. The LaSalle County state’s attorney claimed that accusers can pressure victims into dropping the charges. They all claim that the Pretrial Fairness Act doesn’t hold people accountable, or give enough discretion to judges making determinations about pretrial release, and lets dangerous people run free.

None of it is true.



Under the Pretrial Fairness Act, judges can detain anyone posing a “real and present threat” to others or the community. Prosecutors can present evidence of a person’s criminal history, violent behavior or flight risk. Those who a judge deems dangerous can be detained; those who aren’t deemed dangerous no longer sit in jail just because they are poor.

Two years in, the data shows the reform is working. Jail populations are down, court appearance rates remain strong and crime continues to decline. A comprehensive Loyola University study found no evidence that ending money bail increased violent or property crime statewide.

Before reform, more than 250,000 people were jailed each year in Illinois – more than

90% awaiting trial and unable to afford bond. These people were legally innocent and hadn’t been convicted of a crime. Families lost jobs, homes and even custody of their children, while \$140 million was drained annually from working-class communities because of bond payments. The Pretrial Fairness Act replaced that ransom-based system with one rooted in safety and fairness.

Now judges are empowered to make individualized decisions based on evidence, not wealth. And the millions once siphoned out of working-class communities due to money bond now remain in their communities, strengthening – not destabilizing – the very families that make Illinois resilient.

While some politicians rail against reform, residents face urgent problems that no amount of criminal justice reform fearmongering will solve.

Our hospitals are closing, homelessness is rising and overdoses are devastating families. Water systems leak lead, and affordable housing is scarce. These are the crises that make communities unsafe, not pretrial reform.

Instead of spreading disinformation about pretrial reform, lawmakers could fight to preserve our hospitals, addiction treatment, shelter beds and investments in housing and infrastructure. They could push for rural transit that connects people to jobs and medical care. Every hour spent attacking the Pretrial Fairness Act is an hour not spent solving the real problems that residents face.

The Pretrial Fairness Act didn’t make Illinois less safe – it made it more rational and humane. It ensures that the truly dangerous are held while the poor aren’t punished for being poor. It gives prosecutors and judges clear standards and brings transparency to a system that once operated on wealth.

If conservative lawmakers truly care about protecting the public, they should stop peddling misinformation and start addressing real crises that affect people’s homes, health and well-being. Safety isn’t achieved through stoking false fears. It’s built through fairness, opportunity and the courage to tell the truth. Let’s be truthful about the real threats to our safety and then do something about them. □

Susan Bramlet Lavin is the executive director of Illinois NOW (National Organization for Women).

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Springfield's city plan at 100

The right thing at the right time

KROHE | James Krohe Jr.

Rampant and haphazard growth after the Civil War left Springfield dirty, dangerous, unhealthful and inconvenient. The race riots in 1908 left the city's worthy citizens with what we might call a reputational problem, so progressive-minded locals undertook a municipal housecleaning. The 1911 commission reform promised to fix politics. The election that same year of Willis J. Spaulding began a campaign that led in the 1930s to a water supply lake and municipal power plant. The 1914 Springfield Survey promised to fix schools, housing and public health.

Another of the sputtering candles lit against the darkness was the "City Plan of the City of Springfield Illinois," adopted in 1924 as the city's first attempt to rationalize the process of urban growth through land use zoning. More familiarly known by the name of its principal author, Chicago parks consultant Myron Howard West, the West plan was offered to an incredulous public in a handsome book published in 1925.

Like every plan for the future, West's ended up being a bit behind the times. Springfield was then a classic 19th century streetcar city; within 13 years the Springfield streetcar system was dead and autos had completely taken over city streets. Pollution controls and structural changes in the local economy would soon obliterate distinctions between land uses that were the premise of West's new zoning scheme.

West's plan to turn the whole city into a monument to Lincoln was grandiose and impractical and (maybe more disqualifying) impolitic, although even more modest versions of them would have been rendered moot by the Depression. Nonetheless, much of what he recommended was built — sort of, eventually. Springfield does have a municipal water reservoir of the kind he proposed even if it was not built where he thought it ought to be and its shores were not set aside for public recreation as he urged. Fifty years later the blocks around Lincoln house would be acquired as part of a larger park. And while consolidating rail lines as West urged will have taken more than a century it is happening.

Contained in its 90-plus pages are two separate plans. The zoning scheme set up a bureaucratic process to control property development to make growth rational, efficient and cost-effective. The zoning map only tells city officials what may be built. West argued that the most diligent observance of even a good land use plan will not build a great city, only avoid building a really bad one. He

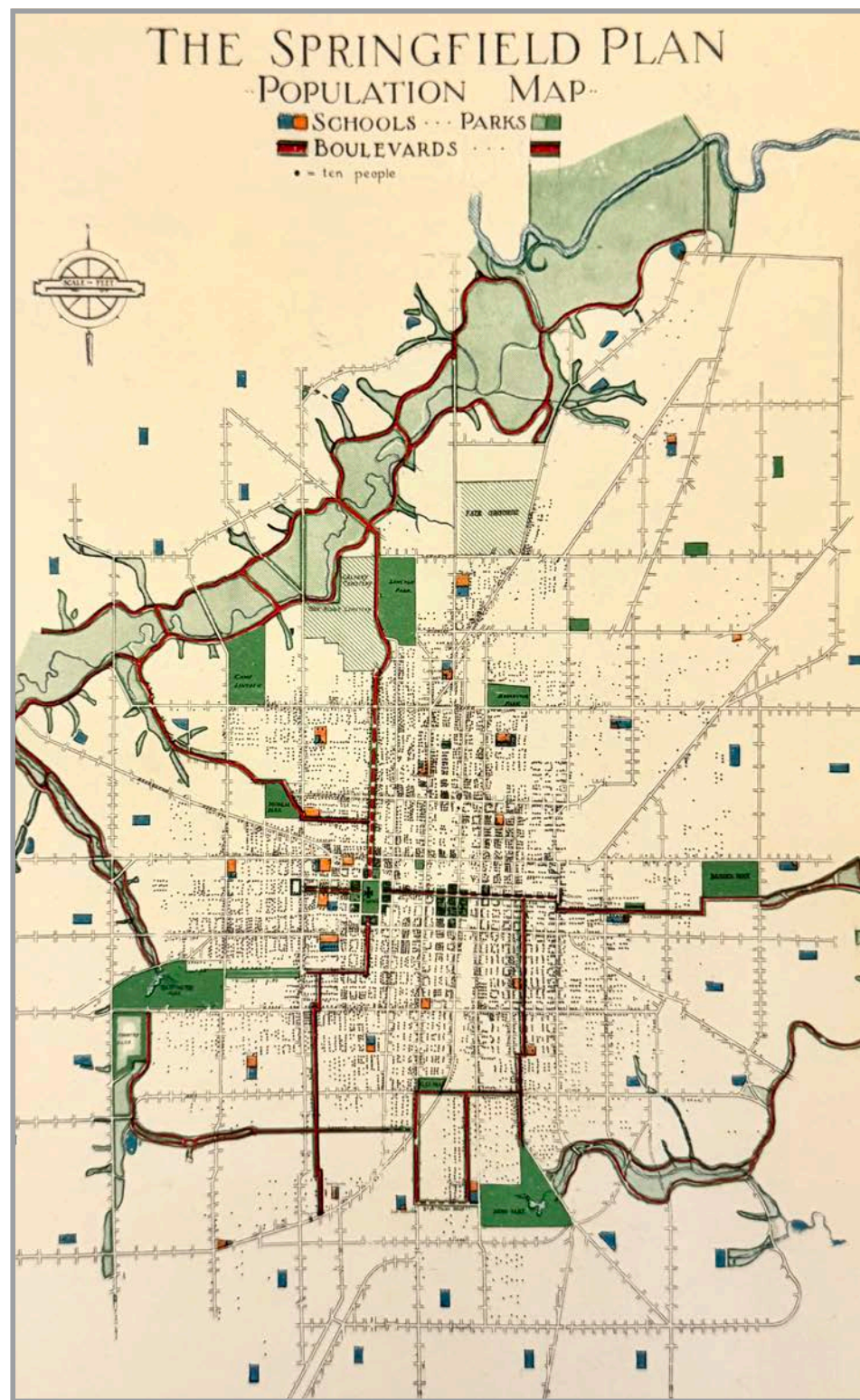
thus presumed to tell them what ought to be built. This "City Beautiful" plan prescribed for the public realm, a grand scheme to secure a new water supply, untangle the city from its rail tracks and make the public realm not just greener and cleaner but inspiring. "The right thing should be done at the right time," he explained, "and the greater perspective afforded by the plan will make this possible."

Since 1925 Springfield has made project plans but no wholesale reimagining of the city. The city's urban planning philosophy these days is expressible in only two words — "new" and "more." The city makes certain that every new strip mall has the correct number of parking spaces, but seldom asks whether Springfield needs another new strip mall. Shiny it might be for the moment, but the resulting new Springfield west of Chatham Road is as failed an urban environment as the old Springfield that West knew — massively wasteful of land and the time and energy it takes to move around within it, a drive-through city, a placeless place that has no form, no aesthetic, no idea of itself.

This sort of plan-less development on the fringes of Springfield also was being done 100 years ago as city hall relinquished decision-makings about development to individual property owners. "The lack of perspective, the inability of city authorities to control the development of the city as a whole, and the leaving of this development to individuals with a myriad of ideas," West wrote, "have led to a complexity of structure which is hampering more and more the functioning of [Springfield.]"

Certainly there are Westian things that remain undone. The Sugar Creek valley northwest of the city might still be purchased and maintained as a municipal nature and recreation preserve, as West proposed. His system of landscaped boulevards connecting parks and monuments was probably not buildable, while today's Veterans Parkway isn't actually a parkway but it could still be turned into a passable imitation of one. Too bad then that the notion that planning has a public purpose beyond providing minimally for public health and safety, and that a city was a place of citizens, not just property owners, died out with the progressive era. □

Mr. Krohe has grown old writing for Illinois Times. He also is the author of Corn Kings & One-horse Thieves, A Plain-Spoken History of Mid-Illinois, which many people have found to be worth reading.



The West plan shows the city's schools and parks linked by boulevards. The Sugar Creek valley, northwest of the city, was envisioned as a municipal nature and recreation preserve.

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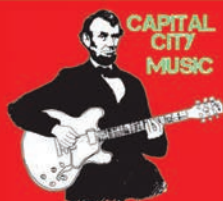
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A Justice for Sonya Massey Rally was held Oct. 20 outside the Peoria County Courthouse as jury selection began for Sean Grayson's murder trial. Organizer Chama St. Louis-Boone described it as a peaceful gathering designed to "support the Massey family" and call for "accountability of police". PHOTO BY ZACH ADAMS

A family's quest for justice

Second-degree charge controversial, but Grayson is one of only a few on-duty cops convicted of murder

COURTS | Dean Olsen

While controversial, the verdict Oct. 29 in the trial of Sean Grayson in the death of Sonya Massey marked one of the few times in recent history that an American police officer became a convicted murderer in connection with an on-duty shooting death.

"Juries are very reluctant to second-guess the split-second, often life-or-death decisions of on-duty police officers in potentially violent street encounters and in other calls for service," said Philip Stinson, a lawyer, former police officer and professor in the criminal justice program at Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

"So it's not uncommon that you end up with a hung jury or an acquittal," he told *Illinois Times*.

Of the 211 nonfederal sworn law enforcement officers charged nationwide in fatal shootings since the beginning of 2005, Stinson and other experts at Bowling Green State's Police Integrity Research Group wrote that 171 cases have been concluded, and 73 of those

cases, or 43%, ended in conviction.

Of those convicted, only 11 officers, or 15%, have been convicted of murder, including second-degree murder and the various other ways states have created to classify murder. The 11 cases include Grayson's conviction.

State laws vary in how the rest of the convictions are labeled. But as of Nov. 6, 21 officers were found guilty of manslaughter, nine were convicted of voluntary manslaughter, and seven were convicted of involuntary manslaughter, according to Stinson's research.

Convictions for the rest included official misconduct, reckless homicide, reckless endangerment, negligent homicide, federal criminal deprivation of civil rights, aggravated assault, assault with a firearm and reckless discharge of a firearm.

Massey's father, James Wilburn, called the conviction of his daughter's killer for second-degree murder instead of first-degree murder "a miscarriage of justice."

The Peoria County jury's decision to find Grayson guilty of a lesser offense in the Sangamon County case was a bitter disappointment for Wilburn and other members and supporters of the Massey family. Grayson could face decades less time in prison as a result.

Grayson, 31, a white former Sangamon County sheriff's deputy, shot and killed Massey, a 36-year-old Black single mother of two teenagers inside her Woodside Township home on July 6, 2024, while responding to Massey's 911 call in a case that has received national media attention.

Stinson said the jury's Oct. 29 decision on Grayson's fate, after about 12 hours of deliberations, was outside the norm when police in the U.S. are arrested for murder or manslaughter resulting from an on-duty fatal shooting. However, he said it's not surprising that the jury opted to find him guilty of a lesser charge.

"It's certainly not uncommon that the

charge that the officer is convicted of is a lesser charge than the most serious charge they were facing," Stinson, who holds a doctorate degree in criminology, said.

The "lesser charge" tends to be a crime other than murder, he said. But in Grayson's case, Stinson said, "Second-degree murder is still a very serious offense, so it's not much of a lesser offense."

However, what is considered second-degree murder in Illinois in 2025 is similar to what was called "voluntary manslaughter" before the law was changed in the late 1980s.

Bill Roberts, who served as Sangamon County state's attorney in the 1980s and later served as U.S. attorney for the Central District of Illinois, said the Grayson jury's decision not to find Grayson guilty of the more serious charge didn't surprise him based on his experience with central Illinois juries in murder cases.

"You're going to see people who tend to

respect law enforcement and want to believe them,” Roberts said. “Now, they can be talked out of that. The facts can erase that feeling.”

The differing ways of interpreting the jury’s verdict come after a trial in which jurors were asked to view Grayson’s actions from vastly different perspectives.

His attorneys, whose fees will be covered in full by the national legal insurance group plan he joined when he became a member of Sangamon County Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 55, were unsuccessful in securing an acquittal for Grayson, who originally was charged with first-degree murder after Massey’s death.

But attorneys Dan Fultz and Mark Wykoff were able to persuade all 12 jurors – nine women and three men, including the one Black man on the otherwise all-white jury – that Grayson truly believed he was justified in killing Massey as an act of self-defense, even though jurors ruled that Grayson’s belief was unreasonable. Grayson’s mistaken belief fit one of the options for a second-degree murder conviction in Illinois.

The early morning incident in Massey’s home ended with Grayson shooting at the unarmed woman three times, with one bullet striking her below the left eye and severing her left carotid artery.

Self-defense argument

Grayson contended he was acting in self-defense after Massey, who was dealing with mental-health issues, picked up a pot of water that had been boiling on her stove and eventually raised the pot above her head and tried to throw the water at him. Massey was 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighed 112 pounds; Grayson stands 6 feet 3 inches tall and at the time weighed about 230 pounds.



Antonio Romanucci, far right, one of the lawyers representing the Massey family, takes questions from the media at an Oct. 29 press conference after the verdict in the trial of Sean Grayson was announced. PHOTO BY STEVE HINRICHS

The self-defense argument may have been boosted by the Riverton resident and North Mac High School graduate’s decision to testify in his own defense.

Details of what was discussed in the jurors’ private deliberations weren’t available, but the concept of self-defense apparently was key to why the jury was able to find Grayson guilty of second-degree murder.

Police body-worn camera video of the early morning incident appeared pivotal for Sangamon County State’s Attorney John Milhiser and First Assistant State’s Attorney Mary Beth Rodgers to get a murder conviction.

They told jurors the evidence didn’t support Grayson’s claim of self-defense.

Fultz said in opening statements, “What happened to Miss Massey was a tragedy, but it was not a crime.”

But Milhiser told jurors Grayson shot and killed Massey “without lawful justification because he was mad at her.”

Rodgers said Grayson lied several times on the stand and knew Massey “wasn’t dangerous. ... He knew how to slow things down, but he didn’t.” The shooting happened, Rodgers said, “not because Sonya was in crisis, but because he snapped. ... He could have left the house. He’d like you to believe he was scared.”

Stinson and his colleagues at Bowling Green State’s Police Integrity Research Group included the Grayson conviction in the Nov. 6 update of their ongoing study of police officers charged since 2005.

Murder convictions for cops uncommon

Stinson said it’s unknown whether jurors showed any deference to Grayson because of his status as a police officer.

Now that the trial is over, the jurors are free to speak to the news media or anyone else about

their deliberations. No one has spoken so far, and Sangamon County Circuit Court Judge Ryan Cadagin, who presided during the trial, has used his judicial authority to keep the jurors’ names secret.

“I don’t think we can assume that they compromised and came up with a lesser offense just because some of the jurors think police officers have a difficult job,” Stinson said. “I don’t think we know. They don’t let you and me in the jury deliberation room.”

Even though Stinson said it was “highly appropriate” that Grayson was charged and convicted, most police officers involved in the 900 to 1,300 fatal on-duty shootings each year across the country never face charges.

“We have to assume that the reason for that is because the investigations determined that they were legally justified, that they had a reasonable apprehension of an imminent threat of deadly force or death or serious injury being imposed against themselves or someone else,” Stinson said.

Reluctance of juries to “second-guess” police who are charged extends to others in the criminal-justice system, including people who sit on grand juries, he said.

“Some prosecutors have actually reached out to me and anecdotally told me how frustrated they were that they’ve had trouble getting indictments returned from grand juries in these types of cases,” Stinson said.

“Not only that, judges who sit in bench trials and are used to hearing horrible things all day long – where the judge is the trier of fact – they, too, are unlikely to convict an officer in these cases.”

“And frankly,” Stinson added, “up until about 12 years ago, we don’t think that investigators and prosecutors closely scrutinized these cases. There was just an overriding assumption that the officer was legally justified, and only in the most egregious and bizarre cases did they deviate from that.”

Stinson attributed that “tipping point” to several high-profile cases involving people, many of them Black, who were killed by police in incidents that couldn’t be “rationally explained” and involved “bizarre” sets of facts. Included in those incidents, he said, were the deaths of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri, and Eric Garner in 2014 in New York City, both in 2014; John Geer in 2013 in Virginia; and Freddie Gray in 2015 in Baltimore.

Stinson said Massey’s death was one such case, “where the woman was standing in her kitchen and ended up getting shot and killed by an officer.”



Sontae Massey, a cousin of Sonya Massey who has been a part of the Massey Commission and active in calling for reforms, addresses the crowd Oct. 20, outside the Peoria County Courthouse. PHOTO BY ZACH ADAMS

Massey’s death did fit one pattern tracked by Stinson’s Police Integrity Research Group.

“I think that every Black female who’s been shot and killed by a police officer that’s in my database has been shot at their own home,” Stinson said. “There’s a lot of things that could be going on there. Black women run the family, and they’re at home. But it’s really bizarre and horrific that these women are not safe in their own homes.”

Second-degree murder details

Members of the Massey family and their supporters said their frustration with the verdict stemmed from the four to 20 years in prison Grayson could be ordered to serve when he is sentenced Jan. 29 by Cadagin.

With credit for time served and good behavior, Grayson, who is being held at the Sangamon County Jail, could end up serving, at most, fewer than 10 years in prison.

A second-degree murder conviction also would allow Cadagin to sentence Grayson to probation and no prison time.

By comparison, a first-degree murder conviction in this case would have carried a mandatory prison sentence of 45 years to life without the possibility of probation. First-degree murder carries a prison term of 20 to 60 years, with additional time for Grayson possible because of his use of a gun in the murder.

“Second-degree murder – that is not right!” Springfield Black activist and Massey family friend Teresa Haley said at a news conference as she stood with the Masseys and Wilburns after the verdict. “That is not justice for anyone’s family, regardless of who you are and where you come from.”

She and relatives of Sonya Massey vowed to work to change state law and create an option for a higher sentence for murderers such as Grayson, citing the “major difference” in penalties between first- and second-degree murder.

The Bowling Green State University database of police officers convicted of murder showed that the prison sentences they received ranged from 6½ years to life, with an average sentence of 15 years. The statistics didn’t indicate whether laws in the various states allowed the officers to get any time off for good behavior.

For the officers convicted of lesser offenses, the database indicated they received sentences ranging from no prison time to 40 years, with an average sentence of 4½ years.

The General Assembly created second-degree murder as a criminal charge in 1987. Before that, the options for charging someone in a homicide were murder, voluntary manslaughter and involuntary manslaughter, according to Glen Carbon lawyer John Rekowski.

He said the second-degree murder statute was created to resolve a legislative debate at that time involving evidence and other legal issues, and not because of concerns about the differing lengths of potential prison sentences.

The legislature did away with voluntary manslaughter when it approved second-degree murder as a new charge, Rekowski said, but the gap in potential prison sentences between first- and second-degree murder is about the same as the gap that used to exist between murder and voluntary manslaughter.

Rekowski, the Illinois State Bar Association’s legislative liaison on criminal justice issues, said he would oppose an effort to make punishments for second-degree murder tougher, because defendants convicted of the offense in less clear-cut situations than Grayson’s would be unfairly denied leniency by courts.

Grayson may deserve prison time, but others convicted of the same crime might not, said Rekowski, who served as chief public defender in Madison County for 35 years.

When Grayson’s lawyers proposed that the jury be given the option of finding Grayson guilty of second-degree murder instead of first-degree, prosecutors didn’t disagree with the option being read as part of jury instructions.

Milhiser has declined comment on his tactics during the trial. But Rekowski said well-established legal precedents make clear that “any evidence” of a mitigating factor such as a belief of acting in self-defense would justify telling the jury about the option of a second-degree murder finding.

It would be pointless for prosecutors to oppose or the judge to deny the defense’s request in a case such as this, Rekowski said. That’s because a first-degree murder conviction given by a jury that wasn’t informed about the second-degree murder option would likely be overturned on appeal by a higher court, he said.

It’s unknown whether Grayson plans to appeal the verdict. His lawyers have declined comment.

Lack of Black jurors

Some critics of the verdict attributed the second-degree conviction to the fact that there weren’t more Black people on the jury. About 8% of Grayson’s jury was Black, while Black people make up 15% of Peoria County’s population and almost 13% in Sangamon County.

Across the country, Black people tend to be underrepresented on juries, often because of racial bias in the ways that rolls of potential jurors are compiled and the ways jurors are selected, according to the Equal Justice Initiative, a nonprofit legal advocacy group based in Montgomery, Alabama.

The group says Blacks are more likely than whites to be removed as potential jurors during the selection process as lawyers for both sides use a certain number of what are known as “peremptory” strikes to remove people as candidates without having to cite a specific reason.

For Grayson’s jury, 49 potential jurors were interviewed by the judge, prosecutors and defense attorneys. Other than the Black man who was selected to serve, eight other Black people, all women, were interviewed.

One of the women, who was single and had no children, said in court that she worked in retail and was concerned about the financial burden she would face by missing work if she were selected.

Another woman, who was a single mother, had a master’s degree in social work and worked as a foster care supervisor. She said she wouldn’t be able to put aside views of the case she developed from information in the news media. She didn’t say what those views were.

Still another woman, who had a bachelor’s degree, worked in the insurance industry and was married with a grown son, said she formed an initial opinion on the case after viewing police bodycam video of Massey’s killing but could be unbiased if she were selected.

Grayson’s testimony

The Sean Grayson who took the stand Oct. 27 in his own defense was a kinder, gentler person than the one depicted on police-worn camera video.

This one was calm, didn’t use profanity and methodically answered questions from one of his attorneys about key parts of his interactions with Massey.

There wasn’t any big confrontation between Grayson and Milhiser when the prosecutor had his first and only chance to contradict Grayson’s account on cross-examination.

At the time of the shooting, Grayson had a beard and mustache and was at least 20 to 30 pounds heavier when he knocked loudly on Massey’s door around 1 a.m. July 6, 2024. Grayson was being treated for colon cancer, and his treatment continues, according to court records and testimony.

Grayson and another deputy, Dawson Farley, never found the prowler that Massey thought she heard. Her two children weren’t in the home. The investigation into her death revealed she was dealing with mental illness, and that

her sometimes vague and halting answers to basic questions could have been related to paranoia and schizophrenia, though Grayson didn’t know that at the time. Grayson testified he initially thought Massey was intoxicated.

Grayson wasn’t wearing glasses in Massey’s home, as he did in the courtroom. On the stand, dressed in a dark suit, white shirt and a tie, Grayson testified about a new detail that he hadn’t revealed before.

He said that in the final seconds before the shooting, he approached Massey after she had obeyed his initial command to put down a pot of hot water and ducked behind a counter in her home so he could put her in handcuffs and arrest her for threatening him.

Grayson never before mentioned his intention to use handcuffs, which, in the end, he never had a chance to use, or his intention to arrest Massey.

Rodgers, one of the prosecutors, said later in the trial that there was no evidence to justify such an arrest.

Grayson said he approached Massey to apply the handcuffs rather than stand his ground or step back. Experts testifying for the prosecution said approaching Massey was an unsound tactic that escalated the situation.

Grayson testified that he also approached Massey, with his gun pointed at her, when she knelt to the ground behind a counter to make sure she didn’t retrieve a gun or other weapon from the ground. No gun was ever found.

Grayson said Massey then jumped up, grabbed the pot of water she had originally removed from the stove, and held the pot of water over her head. Grayson said he then fired the shots at Massey to avoid being scalded.

Massey initially carried the pot to her sink with oven mitts after the two deputies asked her to turn off the burner under the pot on her stove to avoid starting a fire.

On Farley’s bodycam footage, Grayson’s demeanor seemed to change from calm to upset after Massey said twice, “I rebuke you in the name of Jesus.” She said that twice when Grayson told her he backed away to avoid her “hot, steaming water.”

The situation escalated seconds after that and culminated with Grayson shooting at Massey.

Grayson wrote in his report on the incident that he interpreted Massey’s “rebuke” statement as meaning “she was going to kill me.”

The dictionary definition of “rebuke” means to express strong disapproval or criticism of someone because of his or her behavior.

At the time Grayson was hired by the sheriff’s department in 2023, the department required him to go through a psychological



Sean Grayson was found guilty of second-degree murder for the July 2024 death of Sonya Massey, making him just one of 11 non-federal law-enforcement officers in the U.S. convicted of a murder for an on-duty fatal shooting since 2005, according to a national database.

examination. Such an exam was required for new hires.

The results of Grayson’s exam said he “scored low on the cognitive assessment.” The supervising psychologist, Thomas Campion of Campion, Barrow & Associates, wrote of Grayson, “It will take him longer to learn, process and apply new material when compared to others.”

Farley wrote in a July 9, 2024, report on the incident that he, too, feared injury from the hot water in the pot and drew his weapon right after Grayson did because of that fear.

Several weeks later, however, Farley contacted Illinois State Police, and he testified that he did so to “clarify” details of his account. He told ISP officials that, in reality, he didn’t fear Massey and instead feared the way Grayson was acting toward Massey in the minutes before the shooting.

Farley testified that he was going through trauma after the shooting that prevented him from clearly recalling what happened even after watching bodycam video multiple times.

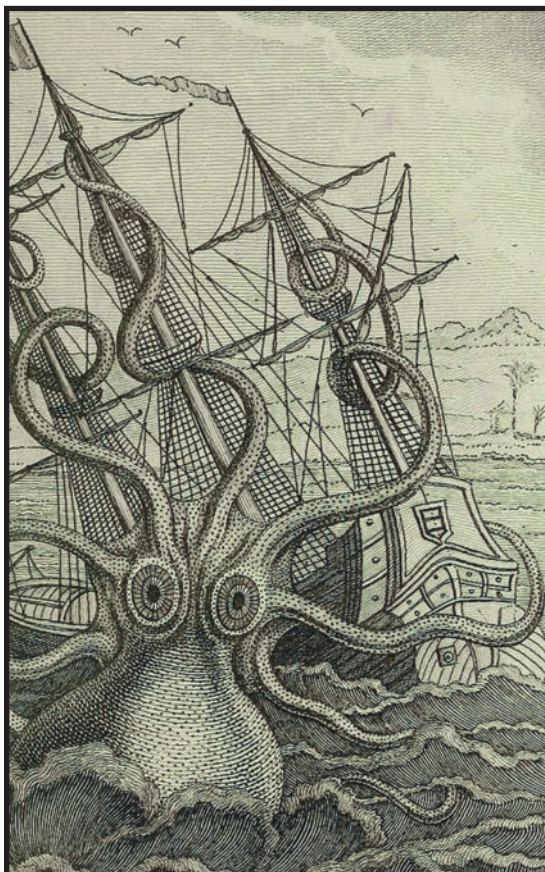
On cross examination, Fultz suggested that Farley, a new deputy to the department in July 2024, changed his story to avoid punishment on the job or being denied a permanent job after he completed probation. Farley denied Fultz’ suggestions.

In closing arguments, Fultz pointed to a few frames from bodycam footage that captured fractions of a second in which Massey appeared to try to throw some of the hot water toward Grayson with Grayson pointing his gun at her.

“As hard as it is to hear,” Fultz said, “the outcome of this case was driven by Sonya Massey’s actions.”

But Milhiser, in his closing argument, said Massey probably was scared of Grayson and picked up the pot to save her life while “staring down the barrel of his gun.”

“These were the actions of a bully,” Milhiser said of Grayson’s conduct. Rodgers added, “Just because he’s wearing a uniform doesn’t mean he gets to use deadly force.” □



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Growing up in a middle-class Chicago suburb during the 1950s and 60s, my family's life was comfortable, though not lavish. My father, an art school graduate, became a commission-based salesman when he realized he couldn't support his young family as an artist. Consequently, vacations were beyond our means, and except for our weekly Saturday outing to McDonald's, we rarely ate out. Going to a restaurant was a rare treat, reserved for special occasions.

My family's favorite dining destination was Chicago's Como Inn. Established in 1924, this now-closed Italian restaurant was once among the city's largest and highest-grossing dining establishments. While its cuisine wouldn't win awards by today's standards, the Como Inn offered quality Italian-American fare in an environment that, to my young eyes, was the epitome of luxury. The booths featured burgundy velvet drapes that could be drawn for privacy, and a buzzer to summon the waiter – a true definition of luxury for a child.

As my palate matured, my culinary tastes shifted from simple spaghetti and meatballs to the more refined flavors of chicken Marsala. This Italian-American classic, featuring golden, pan-fried chicken cutlets bathed in a rich, savory mushroom sauce, became my favorite dish at the Como and left a lasting impression.

The distinctive flavor of this dish comes from the Marsala wine in its sauce. Marsala is a brandy-fortified wine named after a Sicilian coastal town. It has a complex flavor that is hard to describe, but the first things that pop into my head are dried fruits and caramel. These flavor components pair well with mushrooms and enhance their earthy, umami flavor. I'm not a food scientist, but I suspect that the alcohol in the wine helps to extract volatile aromatic compounds in the mushrooms, intensifying their flavor even further, similar to the role vodka plays in vodka pasta sauce.

Though the Como Inn closed in 2001, more than 50 years after I first experienced its charms, and despite having since dined and worked in numerous acclaimed restaurants, I still crave the comfort of its chicken Marsala. When my time comes, for my last supper, I'll probably forgo foie gras, caviar and truffles in favor of something nostalgic and comforting, something associated with happy memories, such as the Como's chicken Marsala.



Chicken Marsala features pan-fried chicken cutlets bathed in rich, savory mushroom sauce. PHOTO BY ANN SHAFFER GLATZ

Chicken Marsala

This recipe calls for less than a cup of Marsala. You'll have plenty of wine left over, so you can use it to make zabaglione for dessert.

Ingredients:

½ cup Wondra flour (or substitute all-purpose flour)
1½ teaspoons kosher salt, divided
½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
½ pound boneless, skinless chicken thighs or breasts
4 tablespoons (½ stick) unsalted butter, divided
2 tablespoons olive oil, divided
8 ounces of cremini mushrooms, thinly sliced
1 medium shallot, finely chopped
3 garlic cloves, minced
⅔ cup dry Marsala wine
⅔ cup chicken stock
Finely chopped fresh parsley leaves, for garnish

Preparation:

Place 1/2 cup Wondra flour in a shallow bowl. Season the flour with one teaspoon of kosher salt and 1/2 teaspoon of black pepper. Pat the chicken dry with paper towels. Pound the chicken to an even thickness with a meat mallet or heavy skillet. Dredge each piece of chicken in the flour, shaking off excess. In a 12-inch cast-iron skillet, heat one

tablespoon of unsalted butter and one tablespoon of olive oil over medium-high heat until shimmering. Sear half the chicken for 3 to 5 minutes per side until browned, then transfer to a large plate. Repeat the process with an additional tablespoon of unsalted butter and the remaining tablespoon of olive oil for the rest of the chicken, adding it to the same plate. (The chicken will not be fully cooked at this stage.)

In the same skillet, melt another tablespoon of butter. Add the mushrooms and cook, stirring occasionally, until the liquid has been released and they begin to brown (four to five minutes). Stir in the shallots and cook until translucent. Add the garlic and cook until fragrant (another minute or so).

Add ⅔ cup of Marsala, ⅔ cup chicken stock and the remaining 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt. Scrape the bottom of the skillet to loosen any browned bits. Bring to a simmer.

Return the chicken and any accumulated juices to the pan in a single layer. Cook for four to five minutes, or until the sauce slightly thickens and the chicken is just cooked through.

Remove the skillet from the heat. Stir in the remaining 1 tablespoon of butter until melted.

Transfer to a platter or dinner plates and garnish with finely chopped fresh parsley leaves.

Zabaglione

Zabaglione is a popular Italian dessert made of just three ingredients – egg yolks, sugar and Marsala. These ingredients are combined and gently whipped over a double boiler (bain-marie) to prevent scrambling and increase volume. It is the Italian cousin of the French dessert sabayon, which is usually made with champagne rather than Marsala.

Ingredients:

6 egg yolks
⅓ cup sugar
½ cup Marsala
Pinch of salt

Preparation:

In a large saucepan, bring 1 inch of water to a simmer over medium heat. Ensure the saucepan is large enough to snugly support a heatproof glass mixing bowl without the bottom of the bowl touching the simmering water. Meanwhile, in the bowl and off the heat, thoroughly whisk together egg yolks and sugar until homogenous and smooth. Whisk in the Marsala and salt until the mixture is lightly foamy.

Place the bowl over gently simmering water, using a pot holder or dry kitchen towel. Immediately and continuously whisk the mixture, using an up-and-over motion to incorporate air and reach all parts of the bowl. This prevents localized overheating and scrambling of the egg. Maintain a gentle simmer, not a boil, adjusting the heat as necessary (periodically check the water's status by lifting the bowl). Continue whisking for approximately 5 minutes, or until the foam thickens. The exact timing may vary depending on the type of bowl and the intensity of the simmer.

Once the zabaglione thickens and the whisk leaves tracks, lift a whiskful and let it fall back into the bowl.

Count the number of seconds it takes for the mound to completely flatten out. Once it takes about eight seconds to flatten fully, the zabaglione is ready.

Remove from heat, place the bowl on a folded kitchen towel, and continue whisking until it thickens further and cools to your preferred temperature (warm or room temperature). Zabaglione can be spooned on top of cake or topped with berries. □

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Fences is raw and essential theater

THEATER | Courtney Wick

August Wilson's *Fences* is one of those plays that most people read at some point in their education, but only by seeing it performed can one fully grasp its poetic simplicity. *Fences* was awarded the Pulitzer Prize and a Tony Award for its intricately woven story of the personal struggles of a 1950s Black family against the broader social and historical backdrop of the civil rights movement. Co-directors Reggie Guyton and Jasmine French have done the show justice in a small-spaced and moodily lit setting where audience members will feel they're a part of every joke, painful realization or intense moment.

"I'm excited to bring some August Wilson to Springfield, because we've talked about this for a long time and I wanted to give something a little more intimate," Guyton said.

The *Fences* narrative is about Troy Maxson – a dictatorial, bombastic, ex-con-turned-family man and one-time baseball star who was unable to achieve his dreams due to racism and societal oppression. Maxson is impressively played by Kess Roberson, who is onstage for nearly the entire two-hour, 45-minute run. He nimbly portrays Maxson's bitterness and staunch belief he's in the right – anger blazes in his every scene, whether on the surface or boiling right beneath it.

As audiences move past remembering and/or experiencing this time in history, Maxson's actions becomes less tolerable and more difficult to elicit empathy. The scene in which Maxson's long-suffering wife, Rose, played delicately and beautifully by Kelly Spencer, learns of his ultimate betrayal garnered a unique response from the small number of female audience members during the final technical rehearsal. A few sat traditionally quiet and absorbed, but many – this reviewer being one of them – couldn't help but vocalize a moan, an "mmhm" or a cry and a nod, understanding the complexity of Rose's pain.

These women have likely lived through



The cast of *Fences*, playing Nov. 21-23 at the Hoogland Center for the Arts. PHOTO BY GUS GORDON

their own version of Troy Maxson and understand the battleground with this type of man – how he can love, betray and beat down all in the same sentence, and how in pre-civil rights America he, too, has lived through abuse. Spencer handled this scene with a soulful vulnerability, alternating between frantic pacing and disbelief to guttural cries of deserved judgement. During this, and other fraught scenes among Troy and his sons, Cory and Lyons (played deftly by Jonathan Alamu and Horace Ceaser II), the air inside Peggy Ryder Theatre feels heavy and globular, like the audience is in danger of losing the ability to take a full breath.

Wilson insisted only African Americans direct his plays because they understood his work best and also to give an opportunity in a field dominated by white men. In much

the same way, Guyton wanted a woman's perspective to ground these moments in authenticity, and he chose French as his co-director.

"It was important to me that a Black woman's voice was heard throughout this show – especially in some of these scenes that involve feminine rage, because men just can't pull from that," Guyton said.

"(Guyton) respects my opinion and my vision, and Wilson's work is so timeless, especially in the Black communities where so much of this trauma still exists," French said.

Troy's best friend, Jim Bono, showcases the juxtaposition between Maxson's dissatisfaction with this life and one who finds quiet gratitude with his, despite systemic limitations. Michael B. Wallace excels in this role as the moral compass sidekick, instantly establishing a

clear contrast upon their opening scene entrance. It is immediately recognizable who is the source of the coming conflict and who possesses the quiet dignity necessary to survive this play's historical timeline of events.

Though specific to the hardships and hopes of Black families in the mid-century, *Fences* also speaks to generational abuse, neglect and class in the overarching American story. A change of scenery or decade and it could easily be attributed to a Hispanic, Appalachian, Muslim or other type of oppressed group in the U.S. today. Though it is rarely explicitly stated by Wilson's characters, the institutionalized oppression and racism that people experience swirls throughout this family's entire identity: where they live, how and where they work, how they interact and how it can destroy from within by extinguishing hope. It echoes out of every line, scene and in those fences – both real and metaphorical. The Hoogland's *Fences* production is taut, layered and deserving of a sold-out run. □

Fences continues its run at the Hoogland Center for the Arts in Peggy Ryder Theatre Nov. 21-23. The Friday and Saturday performances start at 7:30 p.m. and the Sunday matinee begins at 4 p.m. Tickets are available by calling 217-523-2787 or visiting www.hcfta.org/tickets.

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Next week Thanksgiving will be slow of course, but we make up for it on the night before the holiday. In the meantime, be thankful that Thursdays keep on giving for now. In our big event for this week, Eva Hunter gets the band back together to celebrate her 50th birthday in style at the Curve Inn. From her several CD releases from years back to her lifelong commitment to making music that matters, Eva brings her emotive singing, evocative songwriting and energetic stage show to every performance. We, the audience, are the fortunate recipients of her talent and dedication. Then to complete our Thursday romp, Mother Road Diner hosts Robert Sampson for a night of righteous music while Kortney Leatherwood keeps up the open jams at The Blue Grouch.

Friday comes a-knocking with many usual suspects in familiar places including Travis Ried at The Alamo, John Drake at Boone's, Not Petty at Butternut Hut and Hipbone and the Joints at DH Browns, to name just a few.

In the special edition category, UIS hosts its Get Free Music Series (7 p.m.) in the UIS Field Station 9 Club Area location featuring the Torches duet of Gerald Cox on piano and Richard Gilman-Opalsky on drums. Then the duo becomes a quartet with the addition of Frank Trompeter on saxophones and Adam Larison on guitar to finish out the eventful night of experimental, improvisational jazz performance.

The Ex-Bombers, a cool and catchy rockin' duo from "Illinois USA" cruise in for a 15th Band Anniversary Bash at Buzz Bomb on Saturday from 7 to 10 p.m. The two vocals, eight-string bass and drums combo plans to perform their second album, *Five Star Night*, in its entirety and deliver a bunch of neat merch such as a new cassingle and shot glasses along with a contest to design the group's next sticker, plus lots of great music and fun times.

At George Rank's on Saturday catch The DownHomies, a tribute to the late singer-songwriter John Brillhart from his backing band. We lost John several years ago, but his music and muse live on through performances of his songs by friends along with a variety of other artists' tunes as well.

More Saturday excitement continues with some 35 acts in our listings including a benefit for Lori Kretzinger at Mother Road Diner with music by the 66 Ramblers plus Dreamers and Doers (tickets at Eventbrite), Niko Boeker singing up a storm at Harvest Market, Blue Sky Revival and Birds of a Feather doing Allman Brothers and Phish at Danenberger Family Vineyards and Ruf Edgz power trio-ing it up at Pier 55.

Sunday clocks in at a cool 14 shows such as a benefit to raise money for cancer research and prevention presented by Springfield Plastics with live music by Deja Voodoo (1-3 p.m.) and Lick Creek (4-6 p.m.) at Motorheads. Then there's Al Kitchen and Friends at Trails End in Curran and Matt Combs at It's All About Wine to conclude our run for this week.

Remember next week *Illinois Times* hits the streets on Wednesday with a big Thanksgiving time music lineup coming for you to gobble up, so stay tuned. □

Live music within 40 miles of Springfield. Dates, times and locations are subject to change, so we suggest calling before attending an event.

Attention bands, bars and musicians: submit your shows and photos online at www.illinoistimes.com or by email calendar@illinoistimes.com.

Thursday Nov 20

Karaoke
The Backyard, Taylorville, 7-10pm

Karaoke
Conrad's East End Tavern, Riverton, 8pm

Eva Hunter Band
Curve Inn, 6:30-9:30pm

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

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

Karaoke
Goodfellas Pub, 8pm

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

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

Karaoke
Replay Lounge, 8pm

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

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

Karaoke
The Topsy Toad, 8pm-12am

Good Times Karaoke
VFW Lafore Lock Post 755,

Friday Nov 21

Matt Carter and Brian Mangan
48 Inn Sports Bar & Grill, Decatur, 8pm

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

Stackin' Eights
The Backroom Lounge, Riverton, 7pm

John Drake
Boone's, 6-9pm

Downstate
Buckhart Tavern, Rochester, 8-11pm

Not Petty
Butternut Hut, 6-9pm

TyJon Charlie
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

For the Love of Lennon
Curve Inn, 7-10pm

The All-American Throwbacks
Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 8pm

Hipbone and The Joints
DH Brown's, 7-10pm

GUMM, Basic Needs, Prevention, Squint, Turn To Win
Dumb Records, 7pm

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

it Attic Salt with Local Drags
George Rank's, 8pm

Devin C. Williams
Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, 6-9pm

Joel Honey
Koo Koo's 2, 7-10pm

Angel Brown's Smooth N' Blue Duo
Lime Street Cafe, 7-10:30pm and Nov. 22, 7-10:30pm

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

Karaoke
The Lumpia House, 5-11pm

Wowie Zowie
Mowie's Cue, 8-11pm

Karaoke
Pickles Package and Pub, Pawnee, 9pm-2am

Brushville
Poe's Catering, 8pm

Neon Rodeo
Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex, 8-11pm

Karaoke
The Hangout, Palmer, 7-10pm

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

Jeff Newman
The Vault, Jacksonville, 8-11pm

Saturday Nov 22

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

Exit 52
AMVETS Post 100, Jacksonville, 8pm-12am

99 Proof
Barb's Place, Decatur, 3-6pm

Larry Watson
Boone's, 6-9pm

Midwest Revival
Buckhart Tavern, Rochester, 8-11pm

Tom Grassman
Bunkers Bar, Illiopolis, 7pm

The Ex-Bombers
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 7-10pm

MKDZ
Cafe Amulet, Petersburg, 6-9pm

Blue Sky Revival, Birds of a Feather
Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 7-10:30pm

Trio DeGroove
Don's Place, Jacksonville, 9pm

The Down Homies
George Rank's, 7-10pm

Jim Hollis
Golden Fox Brewing, Decatur, 7-10pm

Karaoke
The Grainery, Pleasant Plains, 7-11pm

Niko Boeker
Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, 6-9pm

Broken Stone
Kuhl Tyme Korner, Jacksonville, 8pm

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

Joel Honey
Locals Bar, Pawnee, 8-11pm

Pizzazz
Lock, Stock and Barrel, Decatur, 7-10pm

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

Just Friends
Oak Hills Country Club and Winery, Girard, 5-7pm

Ruf Edgz
Pier 55 Lounge, 8-11pm

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

The 66 Ramblers, Dreamers and Doers
Route 66 Hotel and Conference Center, Southern View, 5-10pm

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

Silver Lake
Sliderz Bar & Grill, Decatur, 8-11pm

Gary Lohrenz and Sydney Worth
Spirited Republic/Limerick Brewing Company, Lincoln, 6-9pm

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

3's Company
The Blue Grouch, 8pm

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

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

it Captain Geech and the Shrimp Shack Shooters
Twisted Tree Music & Event Hall, Jacksonville, 7pm

Taylor June
Wallace Trading Post, Oakford, 8-11pm

Sunday Nov 23

Not Petty
Buckhart Tavern, Rochester, 3-6pm

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

Robert Sampson
Hill Prairie Winery, Oakford, 2-5pm

Matt Combs
It's All About Wine, 3-6pm

Dan Wilson and friends
Mother Road Diner, Route 66 Hotel & Conference Center, 5-8pm

Dave Weld
Pop's Place, Decatur, 3-6pm

Deja Voodoo, Lick Creek
Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex, 1-6pm

Deuces Wild
The Thirsty Barrel, Mason City, 3-6pm

Al Kitchen and friends
Trails End Saloon, Curran, 3-6pm

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

Monday Nov 24

Dave Weld & The Imperial Flames
The Alamo, 7pm

Tuesday Nov 25

Allan Harris
Fulgenzi's Pizza and Pasta, 6-9pm

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

Open mic with Bob Besser
Golden Fox Brewing, Decatur, 6-9pm

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

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

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

Wednesday Nov 26

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

Gracia
Buckhart Tavern, Rochester, 8-11pm

Jonny Vodka
Bunkers Bar, Illiopolis, 7pm

it Jeff Williams, Brian Steinhauer and Zach Karraker
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 5-11pm

Karaoke
Clique, 9pm-1am

X-Krush
Curve Inn, 6-10pm

Smokestacks
DH Brown's, 7-10pm

Karaoke with Debbie Cakes
The Filling Station, Rochester, 7pm-12am

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

Devin Clemons
Lucky's on the Square, Petersburg, 8pm-12am

90's Daughter
Sliderz Bar & Grill, Decatur, 8-11pm

Satellite
The Stadium Bar & Grill, 7-10pm

Devin C. Williams
The Bird Tavern, 7-10pm

Kirsten Osterholt
The Hangout, Palmer, 7:30-8:30pm

Midwest Revival
The Shed, Pawnee, 8-11pm

Karaoke
Town Hall Pub, Loami, 7-10pm

Hipbone and Hawkeye
Trails End Saloon, Curran, 6-9pm

Taylor June
Walby's Place, Ashland, 7-10pm

The Remedy
Y-Zoe's Bar, Taylorville, 8pm

THE CALENDAR



Ursuline Campus Sneak Peek | Sat., Nov. 22, 1 p.m.

Ursuline Academy Campus | 1400 North Fifth St. | 217-813-8368 | preservespringfieldursuline.com.

HISTORY | Tour three iconic buildings rich in history

it Take a guided tour of the historic Ursuline Campus – a treasured Springfield landmark featuring three iconic buildings rich in history and architecture. The tour will include the three-story 1867 original schoolhouse, the 1895 Romanesque chapel and the 1908 St. Ursula Hall Music Conservatory. See how far Preservation Inc. has progressed with its work to preserve the buildings. Each of the buildings is in a state of restoration, preservation and adaptive reuse. The free tour begins at the Circle Drive entrance.

■ Special Music Events

Tom Irwin's Sangamon Songs: A Musical Play
Sat., Nov. 22, 5pm and Sun., Nov. 23, 2pm. This folk/Americana musical written by singer-songwriter Tom Irwin and adapted by John W. Arden is based on an 1893 diary written by farm boy Harry Glen Ludlam while he lived on what now is the Irwin Family Farm. Show features Irwin as narrator and playing acoustic guitar, John Gifford Irwin as Harry singing and reading the journal, and Owen Irwin on acoustic lead guitar. Tickets are available at ticketleap.events or at door. Dinner (5pm) and the show Saturday (6:30pm) is \$50. \$25 just to see the shows both days. \$25-\$50. Arlington's, 210 Broadway, 217-725-6179.

Capital Area Concert Band
Tue., Nov. 25, 7pm. This holiday concert will include holiday favorites such as "Toy Trumpet" and "Sleigh Ride," traditional carols blended with modern harmonies and more. LLCC Trutter Center, 5250 Shepherd Road, 217-971-5008.

Organ Concert: A Semester in Review
Fri., Nov. 21, 7pm. An

unforgettable evening of music performed by Carlo van Ulft. From thunderous power to the softest whisper, come hear the organ fill the sanctuary with sound. Open to all. Free. St. John's Lutheran Church, 2477 W. Washington St., 217-793-3933.

A Showcase of Organists
Sat., Nov. 22, 2-4pm. An organ recital and fundraiser featuring area organists, including flute, piano, violin and handbells and hosted in collaboration with the Springfield Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Fundraiser for the oboe and gemshorn stops on the church's pipe organ. Free, donations accepted. Hope Presbyterian Church, 2211 Wabash Ave., 217-546-6951.

Sounds of the Land
Thu., Nov. 20, 11:30am-12pm. Experience the enchanting sounds of Native American flute music featuring David Tell. Free. Senior Services of Central Illinois, 701 W. Mason St., 217-503-4643.

■ Books & Authors
Michael Kelly
Fri., Nov. 21, 1pm. Author Michael Kelly will discuss and sign his new book, *Rails Around Central*

Illinois. It is filled with over 800 color photos, mostly from the 1960s through the 1980s, with many of the locations from Springfield, Decatur, Lincoln and Bloomington. Free admission. Books on the Square, 427 Washington St., 217-965-5443.

■ Theater & Comedy

Fences
Fri., Nov. 21, 7:30pm, Sat., Nov. 22, 7:30pm and Sun., Nov. 23, 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.

Brew Ha Ha - Comedy Open Mic
Thu., Nov. 20, 8-10pm. Hosted by Ryne Thorson. No pre-signup. Five-minute sets. Signup starts at 7:30pm. Mic starts at 8pm. Free. Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 406 E. Adams St., 217-679-9005.

Comedy open mic

Fourth Wednesday of every month, 6-9pm. Hosted by Lance Cain. Signup is at 6pm with show at 7pm. See the Facebook page for more info. Anvil and Forge Brewing and Distilling Company, 619 E. Washington St., 217-494-6200.

The Hello Girls

Fri., Nov. 21, 7:30pm, Sat., Nov. 22, 7:30pm and Sun., Nov. 23, 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.

Kathy Brennan and friends

Sat., Nov. 22, 7-9:30pm. Standup showcase features the comedy of Kathy Brennan with Chris Speyrer, Ryne Thorson, Jason Jester, Sara Smola, Hollye Green and Andy Leamon. \$13.50. Mason City Limits Comedy Club, Mason City, 114 E. Chestnut St., 217-482-5233.

Trailer Trash Tammy - Chelcie Lynn

Fri., Nov. 21, 6pm. Chelcie Lynn is an American internet personality, actress and stand-up comedian who began her internet career on the video sharing platform Vine as her character, "Trailer Trash Tammy." \$47.69-\$71.83. Lincoln Square Theater, Decatur, 141 N. Main St., 217-454-4583.

■ Dance

Line Dancing

Fri., Nov. 21, 6:30-7:30pm. Learn how to put together exciting dance sequences with a mix of classic and modern line dance styles in a supportive and upbeat atmosphere perfect for beginners to seasoned dancers. No partner needed. For those 18 and older. \$25 per couple or \$15 solo. Springfield Dance, 5531 International Pkwy., 217-483-3623.

Oldtime Community Barn Dance - Capital City Contra
Sat., Nov. 22, 7-9pm. Enjoy various folk dances to live music on the fiddle and banjo performed by The Sangamon String Pickers. No experience necessary and all dances will be taught and called. No partner needed. Dress casual and comfortable. Free and family-friendly. Bring a snack to share. Donations of \$5-\$10 accepted but not required. First Presbyterian Church, 321 S. Seventh St., 217-528-4311.

■ Art & Architecture

"Exposure" — Photography by

John Muchow

Through Dec. 11, 8am-4pm. See the photography of Springfield native John Muchow at the Trutter Museum & Murray Gallery. The museum and gallery are located on the upper level of Menard Hall, 5250 Shepherd Road. Free. Lincoln Land Community College, 5250 Shepherd Road, 217-786-2200.

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., 217-243-9390.

Off the Clock & On the Canvas

Thursdays, 10:30am-11:30pm and Thu., Nov. 20, 10:30am-12:30pm. Through Nov. 20. Take a break from the hustle and join Off the Clock & On the Canvas, a mid-morning creative session designed to help participants relax, recharge and rediscover their artistic spark. Each Thursday, the group will paint something new in a calm, welcoming space surrounded by inspiration and local art. Single class \$35, three classes \$90. Studio on 6th, 215 S. Sixth St., 217-522-8006.

■ History

Mr Lincoln's Hometown Civil War Roundtable

Thu., Nov. 20, 6:30-8pm. This month's meeting features a living history presentation by Kathryn Harris. Free. Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 745 Woodside Rd, Springfield, IL 62711, 217-801-2698.

■ Politics

From City Halls to Statehouses: Lessons from the 2025 Elections

Thu., Nov. 20, 12pm. A panel discussion on the 2025 elections and what their outcomes could mean for the 2026 midterms. Panelists will be Dr. Matt Geras, Seth Richardson, Dr. Lindsey Cormack and Dr. Amanda Wintersieck. Sean Crawford will serve as moderator. Co-sponsored by the UIS Center for State Policy & Leadership and the School of Politics & International Affairs. Bring your questions. Register for this Zoom event at <https://go.uis.edu/2025elections>. Online, community engagement.

■ Faith & Philosophy

Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Sun., Nov. 23, 7-8:15pm. This annual interfaith thanksgiving event represents the highpoint for the Greater Springfield Interfaith Association as it showcases and celebrates offerings from the wider faith communities including Hindus, Buddhists, Jews, Muslims, Baha'is, Christians and others. Free. Grace United Methodist Church, 1612 E. Capitol Ave., 217-546-4631.

■ Holiday Happenings

17th Annual Sherman Holiday Wonderland

Sun., Nov. 23, 10am-4pm. Shop with local crafters, artists and small businesses offering boutique clothing, home decor, jewelry, gourmet foods, sweet treats and more. Free admission. Sherman Athletic Club, Sherman, 300 S. First St., 217-496-3122.

Friendsgiving at the VFW

Sat., Nov. 22, 3pm. This annual dinner is open to all. Turkey and ham will be provided. Bring a side dish to share. To prevent having multiples of sides, participants are asked to go to the Facebook event and share what they are bringing on the post. Free. Chatham-Auburn Memorial VFW Post 4763, Chatham, 214 W. Chestnut St., 217-483-4613.

Pathway Services Annual Festival of Trees

Sat., Nov. 22, 9am-4pm, 7-8pm. Walk through the halls and view the beautifully decorated trees and wreaths and enjoy some delicious festive treats. Be sure to get pictures with Santa Claus and Jack Frost. Adults \$5, students \$3, children 5 and younger free. Pathway Services Unlimited Inc., Jacksonville, 1905 W. Morton Ave., 217-479-2300.

Pet Pictures with Santa Claus

Sun., Nov. 23, 6:30-8pm. Bring your furry friend for a fantastic photo with Santa Claus. Families can join their fur baby, too. The event is held after hours. Enter on the east side, lower level next to the Simon Youth Foundation. Photos available for purchase. White Oaks Mall, 2501 Wabash Ave., 217-787-0110.

Santa Claus

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

Thanksgiving Dinner

Sat., Nov. 22, 6pm. All invited to this event by CORAL, which will provide mainstays. Attendees bring a side dish or dessert.

Canned goods will be collected for local pantries. Lincoln Park Pavilion, 1601 N. 5th St., 2175441751.

Wintree Wonderland

Through Dec. 31. Wintree Wonderland, includes the beloved elements found each Christmas at the mall and incorporates 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.

Fairs & Festivals

Festival of Wreaths and Trees

Fri., Nov. 21, 6-8pm, Sat., Nov. 22, 1-5pm and Sun., Nov. 23, 1-4pm. Experience this tradition filled with festive decor, community spirit and holiday cheer. Stroll through beautifully decorated trees and wreaths created by local groups and businesses. Bid on stunning wreaths and trees and silent auction items. Free admission. Pleasant Plains Community Building, Pleasant Plains, 206 W. 4th St., 217-415-2976.

Kringle Market

Sat., Nov. 22, 11am-3pm and Sun., Nov. 23, 12-3pm. Explore a curated selection of local makers and artisans, discover unique holiday treasures and enjoy the cheerful atmosphere of the season. Sip, shop and support local businesses. Trish & Mary's Public House, 107 W. Cook, Suite A, 217-679-3287.

Fundraisers & Galas

Drain for the Cure
Sun., Nov. 23, 1-6 p.m. This fundraiser to raise money for cancer research and prevention, presented by Springfield Plastics, Inc., features live music by Deja Voodoo (1-3pm) and Lick Creek (4-6pm). \$20. Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex, 600 Toronto Road, 800-252-3361.

Agelinc fundraiser drag show

Fri., Nov. 21, 8pm. Benefit and fundraiser featuring Mahogany Knight, Chad Whiskey Knight, Lucious Holliday Delacroix, Star 69 and more. \$5. Clique, 411 E. Washington St., 217-891-3288.

Dueling Pianos

Fri., Nov. 21, 6:30pm. Another night of fun with Howl to Go Dueling Pianos, this time with the proceeds going toward new flooring for the Jacksonville Area Chamber of Commerce building. 4-H building Morgan County Fairgrounds, Jacksonville, 110 N. Westgate Ave., 217-245-2174.

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. 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. 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.

Mini Explorer's Club - Land of Leaders

Tue., Nov. 25, 9:30-10:15am. Join the museum for three lessons about past Illinois leaders. 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.

Mini Explorer's Club presents Story Time Trail with the Gingerbread Man

Sat., Nov. 22, 10am-3pm. The Gingerbread Man has escaped, and he's on the loose at the Illinois State Museum. This special Story Time Trail adventure will bring this classic tale to life. Children can follow the trail to hear the story of The Gingerbread Man, enjoy interactive activities and take part in crafts that spark creativity. Free. Illinois State Museum, 502 S. Spring St., 217-782-6623.

Lectures & Meetings

Citizens Club of Springfield: Illinois Times and NPR Illinois at 50 years

Fri., Nov. 21, 8-9am. The Illinois Times and NPR Illinois each celebrated a milestone 50th anniversary this year. Join the club for a presentation from Randy Eccles, NPR Illinois general manager, and Fletcher Farrar, Illinois Times owner and editor, as they reflect on the past 50 years and look ahead to the organizations' future plans.

Coffee and networking from 7:30am to 8am. Free and open to the public. Hoogland Center for the Arts Club Room, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

Bulletin Board

Nelson Center Ice Rink Ribbon Cutting

Fri., Nov. 21, 7 p.m. Celebrate the newly renovated ice rink. The event will include remarks from Springfield Park District leadership and community partners and an opportunity for guests to tour the facility. Nelson Center, 1601 N. Fifth St., 217-753-2800.

Barrel Building Flea Market

Fourth Saturday of every month, 8am-2pm. In the Barrel Building next to Stella Coffee & Tea. Multiple vendors will offer items made of wood, ceramic and metals. Free. Stella Coffee & Tea, 1135 W. Governor St., 262-622-3151.

Food Drive for Micropantries

Sat., Nov. 22, 10am-2pm. Join AAUW and Junior League for this "Drive & Drop" Food Drive to fill local micropantries. Food and hygiene products will be unloaded for those donating them. Monetary donations will be accepted for the Central Illinois Food Bank. Prevention First, Inc., 2800 Montvale Dr., 309-740-4087.

Harm Reduction 101

Thu., Nov. 20, 6-8pm and Fri., Nov. 21, 6-8pm. Facilitated by Rachel King-Johnson, these trainings explore the history and theory of harm reduction, safer ways people can use drugs and how to spot signs of overdose and administer Narcan (opioid overdose reversal medication). Free. Intricate Minds, 619 North Grand Ave. East, 217-670-3520.

Parkway Cookie Walk

Sat., Nov. 22, 8-11:15am. Event lasts until 11am or the cookies run out. The treats will be in the sanctuary and the cost is by weight - \$6 per pound. Parkway Christian Church, 2700 Lindbergh Blvd., 217-787-3445.

Sports

Springfield Jr. Blues vs. Chippewa Steel

Fri., Nov. 21, 7:05 p.m. and Sat., Nov. 22, 6:05 p.m. The Jr. Blues square off against the Chippewa Steel from Chippewa Falls, Wis., in a two-day home stand. Adults \$10, youths 12 and younger, \$6. Jrblues.com. Nelson Center, 1601 N. Fifth St., 217-525-2589.



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Real Estate Foreclosure

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Case No.: 2025FC000092
Property Address: 536 West Canedy Springfield, IL 62704
NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is given that pursuant to the Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause on August 6, 2025, the Sangamon County Sheriff will on December 16, 2025, at 9:00 am, at the Sangamon South, 1 Copley Place, Springfield, IL 62701, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
P.I.N. 14-33.0-405-010
COMMON ADDRESS: 536 West Canedy, Springfield, IL 62704

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The improvement on the property consists of: Single Family Home
The entered judgment amount was \$47,079.32.
The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Plaintiff's Attorney, Kluever Law Group, LLC, 200 N. LaSalle St., Suite 1880, Chicago, IL 60601. 312-236-0077. KLG: SMS001462-25FC1 SMS001462 8051-959671

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ~SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS EQUITY TRUST COMPANY CUSTODIAN FBO A. MATTHEW CROWLEY ROTH IRA ACCOUNT #200318641, Plaintiff,

vs. DIXIE JO FAHS A.K.A. DIXIE J. FAHS A.K.A. DIXIE JO MANRING; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendant(s).

CASE NO. 2025FC000095
Property Address: 801 BUCKINGHAM RD CHATHAM, IL 62629
NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a judgment of said Court entered in the above-entitled cause on September 3, 2025, I, Sheriff Paula Crouch of Sangamon County, Illinois, will hold a sale on December 23, 2025, commencing at 9:00AM, Sangamon County Building, Sangamon South Auditorium, 1 Copley Plaza (Old SJR Building) 1st Floor, Springfield, IL 62701, to sell to the highest bidder or bidders the following described real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said decree, to wit:

Commonly known as: 801 BUCKINGHAM RD, CHATHAM, IL 62629
P.I.N.: 28-12.0-376-005
First Lien Position; Single Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$111,607.71
IN ACCORDANCE WITH 735 ILCS 5/15-1507(c)(1)(H-1) AND (H-2), 765 ILCS 605/9(G)(5), AND 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1), YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE PURCHASER OF THE PROPERTY OTHER THAN A MORTGAGEE, SHALL PAY THE ASSESSMENTS AND LEGAL FEES REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS (g)(1) AND (g)(4) OF SECTION 9 AND THE ASSESSMENTS AND COURT COSTS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (g-1) OF SECTION 18.5 OF THE ILLINOIS CONDOMINIUM PROPERTY ACT.
Terms of Sale: CASH – 10% down at the time of sale and the balance due within 24 hours of the sale. All payments for the amount bid shall be in certified funds payable to the Sheriff of Sangamon County.
The person to contact for information regarding this property is:
Sales Department at Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC, 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL 60563, (630) 453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit www.dallegal.com 24 hours prior to sale.
This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120 Naperville, IL 60563 (630) 453-6960
midwestpleadings@dallegal.com 8051-959578

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 RICHARDSON; 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 receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court.
Commonly known as 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 BANKRUPTCY OR BY AN ORDER GRANTING IN REM RELIEF FROM STAY, THIS NOTICE IS PROVIDED SOLELY TO FORECLOSE THE MORTGAGE REMAINING ON YOUR PROPERTY AND IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT THE DISCHARGED PERSONAL OBLIGATION.
8051-959440

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 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, Plaintiff(s),

vs. 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., SPRINGFIELD, IL 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 Family Residence, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, and the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances 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. Yuell - 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 SL
25-00935
8051-959353

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

-v.- 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 by the court.

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

of the sale.

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

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

For information, 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. 14-25-02066
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
I3275963

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF Sangamon - Springfield, ILLINOIS
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
Plaintiff
vs.
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: 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 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 POSSESSION, 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 CORPORATION
intercountyjudicialsales.com
I3275650

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF Sangamon - Springfield, ILLINOIS
FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION
Plaintiff
vs.
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
Defendant
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., SPRINGFIELD, IL 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. 22-023463

INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION
intercountyjudicialsales.com
I3275684

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE UNDER ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT
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 at:
2121 N Dirksen Pkwy, Springfield IL 62702

NOTICE UNDER ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT
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: 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 at:
3300 E Clearlake Ave, Springfield IL 62702

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
PROBATE DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PAN MING KEUNG, DECEASED
Case #2025-PR-447
DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of PAN MING KEUNG. Letters of Office have been issued to ANNE KEUNG, 5112 Crane Drive, Springfield, IL 62711, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Sheehan & Sheehan, Lawyers, P.C., 1215 South 4th Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, Room 405, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before May 27, 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 13th 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
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CYNTHIA A. CANDIOTO
Deceased
NO. 25-PR-434
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of CYNTHIA A. CANDIOTO, Deceased.

Letters of Office were issued on November 13, 2025 to Joseph A. Candioto, 10347 Old Indian Trail, Glenarm, IL 62536 as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Alex B. Rabin, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Representative, or both, on or before the 25th 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 13th day of November 2025.
Alex B. Rabin
Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP
1119 S. Sixth Street
Springfield, IL 62703
217-789-1200

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Estate of:
THEODORE JAMES BAER, Deceased.
NO. 2025-PR-441
CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of Theodore James Baer of Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on November 12, 2025, to Denise Baer, 710 Sonata Way, Silver Spring, Maryland 20901, 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 May 19, 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 12th day of November, 2025.
Bernard G. Segatto, III - 06190753
Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP
P.O. Box 79
Springfield, IL 62705
(217) 544-4868
bsegatto@barberlaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the Matter of the Estate of SHIRLEY A. WILLIAMS, Deceased.
IN PROBATE
No. 2025-PR-443
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Shirley A. Williams, Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on November 12, 2025, to Linda W. Hammer, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Brandon R. Clark, Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000, Springfield, IL 62701. Claims against the estate may be filed

in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 4th day of June 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 12th day of November, 2025.
BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP
Brandon R. Clark, Registration No. 6329553
205 S. Fifth Street, Suite 1000
P.O. Box 2459
Springfield, IL 62705-2459(217) 544-8491;
bcclark@bhslaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
PROBATE DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VERNON LEE HORN, JR., DECEASED
Case #2025-PR-440
DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of VERNON LEE HORN, JR. Letters of Office have been issued to CONNIE J. KENNEDY, 2004 W. Laurel, Springfield, IL 62704, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Sheehan & Sheehan, Lawyers, P.C., 1215 South 4th Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, Room 405, Sangamon County Complex, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before May 25, 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 10th day of November, 2025.
Patrick J. Sheehan
SHEEHAN & SHEEHAN, LAWYERS, P.C.
1215 South 4th Street
Springfield, IL 62703
(217) 544-0701

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the Matter of the Estate of LOUISE M. CRAGOE, Deceased.
IN PROBATE
No. 2025-PR-436
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of LOUISE M. CRAGOE, deceased. Letters of Office were issued on November 10, 2025, to PAUL A. CRAGOE, as Independent Administrator, 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 May 20, 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 10th day of November, 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
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the Matter of the Estate of JAMES W. CLARK, Deceased.
2025-PR-384
NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS AND UNKNOWN HEIRS. Notice is given of the death of JAMES W. CLARK, from the City of Springfield, in Sangamon County, Illinois. An Order of Independent Administration was issued on November 3, 2025, to Kelly Walker, 280 Country Lake Road, Springfield, IL 62711, whose attorneys are the Noll Law Office, 930 E. Monroe St., Springfield, IL 62701. Claimants claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth St., Springfield, IL 62701 or with the representative or both, on or before May 20, 2026 or three months after date of mailing or delivery, whichever is later, 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 representatives and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. A copy of an order granting opening of probate and executorship can be obtained from the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless an interested person asks the court to become involved. Notice is given to unknown or unlocated heirs in the above proceeding that under section 28-4 of the Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person may terminate independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk of the court. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office.

Dated this 10th day of November, 2025
Sarah Noll
Noll Law Office, LLC
930 E. Monroe St.
Springfield, IL 62701
Phone: (217) 544-8441
E: noll@noll-law.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TERESA ANNE THOMAS
Deceased
NO. 2025-PR-000432
DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of TERESA ANNE THOMAS, Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on November 3, 2025 to Amy Raikes, 218 Pin Oak Lane, Springfield, IL 62711 as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Alex B. Rabin, Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against

the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Representative, or both, on or before the 12th day of May, 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. Alex B. Rabin Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP 1119 S. Sixth Street Springfield, IL 62703 217-789-1200

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS 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 Springfield, IL 62705-2459 217-544-8491 mfaller@bhsllaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF 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 above-entitled 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 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF FERDINAND A. FULGENZI, Deceased. No. 2025PR389 CLAIM NOTICE 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) days after it has been filed. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To efile, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/ service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. Dated 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 ESTATE OF 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 Email: jim@gwspc.com

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

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE ESTATE OF: MICHAEL J. RALPH Deceased. Case No.: 2025 PR 421 NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF WILL AND CLAIMS 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 jim@ackermanlawoffices.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Ozzie Caillier For change of name to Ozzie Buecker Case No. 2025-MR-000398 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on Jan. 27, 2026 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Ozzie Caillier to Ozzie Buecker pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Nov. 20, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Ky' Airre Tyshawn Simmons For change of name to Ky' Airre Tyshawn Holder Case No. 2025-MR-000490 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on Jan. 13, 2026 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Ky' Airre Tyshawn Simmons to Ky' Airre Tyshawn 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 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. Dated: Nov. 6, 2025

Foreclosure IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT

MORTGAGE SERVICING, PLAINTIFF VS. CHARLES E LAUGHLIN, CITIBANK, N.A., ABSOLUTE RESOLUTIONS INVESTMENTS, LLC DEFENDANTS Case No.: 2025FC000092 Property Address: 536 West Canedy Springfield, IL 62704 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is given that pursuant to the Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause on August 6, 2025, the Sangamon County Sheriff will on December 16, 2025, at 9:00 am, at the Sangamon South, 1 Copley Place, Springfield, IL 62701, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate: THE WEST HALF OF LOT 4 IN BLOCK 3 IN MRS. ULRICH'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS EXCEPT THE EAST 2 FEET THEREOF AND EXCEPT THE SOUTH 110 FEET THEREOF. EXCEPT ALL COAL AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING SAID LANDS, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT TO MINE AND REMOVE SAME. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. P.I.N. 14-33.0-405-010 COMMON ADDRESS: 536 West Canedy, Springfield, IL 62704 Terms of all sales are ten percent (10%) of the opening bid. Failure to pay the remaining balance within the twenty-four (24) hours shall result in the forfeiture of the ten percent (10%) down payment. No Refunds. The property offered for sale 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 improvement on the property consists of: Single Family Home The entered judgment amount was \$47,079.32. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Plaintiff's Attorney, Kluever Law Group, LLC, 200 N. LaSalle St., Suite 1880, Chicago, IL 60601. 312-236-0077. KLG: SMS001462-25FC1 SMS001462 8051-959671

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, Plaintiff vs. SHERRIE L. SMITH, as Trustee, et. al. Defendant 2025ED000002 PUBLICATION NOTICE NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, UNKNOWN OWNERS 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 corner 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 corner 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 Beginning; 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
13-23-0-100-001
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)

Julie Beyers
Attorney for Plaintiff
Address: 601 East William Street
City, State Zip: Decatur, IL 62523
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email juliebeyers@hsbattys.com
8051-959609

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
-SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
EQUITY TRUST COMPANY CUSTODIAN
FBO A. MATTHEW CROWLEY ROTH IRA
ACCOUNT #200318641 ,
Plaintiff,
vs.
DIXIE JO FAHS A.K.A. DIXIE J. FAHS
A.K.A. DIXIE JO MANRING; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIM-ANTS;
Defendant(s).
CASE NO. 2025FC000095
Property Address: 801 BUCKINGHAM RD CHATHAM, IL 62629
NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE
Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a judgment of said Court entered in the above-entitled cause on September 3, 2025, I, Sheriff Paula Crouch of Sangamon County, Illinois, will hold a sale on December 23, 2025, commencing at 9:00AM, Sangamon County Building, Sangamon South Auditorium, 1 Copley Plaza (Old SJR Building) 1st Floor, Springfield, IL 62701, to sell to the highest bidder or bidders the following described real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said decree, to wit:
LOT FORTY-EIGHT (48) IN BUCKINGHAM PLACE, THIRD ADDITION, CHATHAM, ILLINOIS, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 19 AT PAGE 58 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.
Commonly known as: 801 BUCKINGHAM RD, CHATHAM, IL 62629
P.I.N.: 28-12.0-376-005
First Lien Position; Single Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$111,607.71
IN ACCORDANCE WITH 735 ILCS 5/15-1507(c)(1)(H-1) AND (H-2), 765 ILCS 605/9(G)(5), AND 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1), YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE PURCHASER OF THE PROPERTY OTHER THAN A MORTGAGEE, SHALL PAY THE ASSESSMENTS AND LEGAL FEES REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS (g)(1) AND (g)(4) OF SECTION 9 AND THE ASSESSMENTS AND COURT COSTS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (g-1) OF SECTION 18.5 OF THE ILLINOIS CONDOMINIUM PROPERTY ACT.
Terms of Sale: CASH – 10% down at the time of sale and the balance due within 24 hours of the sale. All payments for the amount bid shall be in certified funds payable to the Sheriff of Sangamon County.
The person to contact for information regarding this property is:
Sales Department at Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC, 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL 60563, (630) 453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit www.dallegal.com 24 hours prior to sale.
This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC
1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120
Naperville, IL 60563
(630) 453-6960
midwestpleadings@dallegal.com
8051-959578

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 RICHARDSON; HELENA TASSART; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIM-ANTS; 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 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 NORTHWESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 84 AND 38.7 FEET SOUTHEASTERLY THEREFROM, MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES, AND FURTHER 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 NORTHWESTERLY THEREFROM, MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES, EXCEPT ANY INTEREST IN THE COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE LAND WHICH HAVE BEEN HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED IN PRIOR CONVEYANCES, AND ALL RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS. IF ANY.
Commonly known as 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
Bannockburn@logs.com
(847) 291-1717
Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
One of Plaintiff's Attorneys
LOGS Legal Group LLP
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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 BANKRUPTCY OR BY AN ORDER GRANTING IN REM RELIEF FROM STAY, THIS NOTICE IS PROVIDED SOLELY TO FORECLOSE THE MORTGAGE REMAINING ON YOUR PROPERTY AND IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT THE DISCHARGED PERSONAL OBLIGATION.
8051-959440

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
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, Plaintiff(s),
vs.
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:
THE SOUTH 20 FEET OF LOT 7 AND THE NORTH 40 FEET OF LOT 8 IN BLOCK 10 OF GOLDEN GARDENS ADDITION.
Common Address: 3357 S. 3RD ST., SPRINGFIELD, IL 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 Family 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).
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY
AMERICAS AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ACCREDIT LOANS, INC., MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-QS7
Plaintiff,
-v.-
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:
PART OF THE EAST HALF OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
FROM THE CENTER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THENCE WEST ON THE QUARTER SECTION LINE 2438.26 FEET; THENCE NORTH 12 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 23 SECONDS WEST, 133.49 FEET; THENCE NORTH 13 DEGREES 06 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST, 37.30 FEET TO A POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF OAKCREST ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 76 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 42 SECONDS WEST, 1212.44 FEET 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

SECONDS EAST, 78.39 FEET; THENCE NORTH 60 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST, 62.67 FEET; THENCE NORTH 37 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, 77.05 FEET; 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 00 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 50 SECONDS EAST 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 SECONDS EAST, 20.51 FEET; THENCE NORTH 76 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 42 SECONDS EAST, 121.88 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING A TOTAL ACREAGE OF 4.957 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. EXCEPT ALL COAL, MINERALS AND MINING 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 (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at

other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

For information, 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.
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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
I3275963

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS
Morton Community Bank
PLAINTIFF
Vs.

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 Mortgageor(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 summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.

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

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
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DuPage # 15170
Winnebago # 531
Our File No. 14-24-05168
NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.
I3275833

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

vs.
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 SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 14 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS; DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: 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 SECTION, 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 TOWNSHIP 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 DEFLECTING 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 INTEREST IN THE COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE LAND WHICH HAVE BEEN HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED IN PRIOR CONVEYANCES, AND ALL RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS, IF ANY. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

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

vs.
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
Defendant
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, SITUATE, 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 MERIDIAN, 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 EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF 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.

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 CORPORATION
intercountyjudicialsales.com
I3275684

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition for reclassification of property upon annexation from I-2, Heavy Industrial District, Section 155.041, to B-1, Highway Business Service District, Section 155.033, and a variance of Sections: 155.001, Definitions: Principal Use/Lot, 155.320, Permitted Accessory OnPremises Signs, and 155.321, Nonilluminated Signs, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Subject property is currently located in Sangamon County and zoned I-2, General Industrial District. Petitioner is the contract buyer of subject property. And a petition for annexation to the City of Springfield, Illinois, has been submitted. Upon annexation the property would come into the City with an I-2, Heavy Industrial District, zoning classification. Petitioner desires to construct upon said real estate a commercial drive-in service. To be in compliance with the zoning ordinance petitioner respectfully requests, upon annexation, a reclassification of property from I-2 to B-1; and Variance of Sections: 155.001, Definitions of Principal Use/Lot, to allow two principal uses on one lot, which will allow the Petitioner to construct a commercial drive-in service upon this tract while leaving the existing Advertising OffPremises Sign/Billboard in place; 155.320, Permitted Accessory OnPremises Signs, to allow one pole or pylon sign in the front yard of a zoning lot, in addition to the existing Advertising Off-Premises Sign/Billboard, and to allow ground signs to be a minimum of 50 feet apart, instead of the 100 feet required by code, which will allow the petitioner to construct a new ground sign for the commercial drive-in service within the front yard of this tract while leaving the existing Advertising Off-Premises Sign/Billboard in place; and 155.321, Nonilluminated Signs, to exclude the existing Advertising Off-Premises Sign/Billboard sign area from the sign area of this tract, which will allow the Petitioner to construct ground and building signage per Section 155.321 without including the Advertising Off-Premises Sign/Billboard sign area in the calculation. A petition for annexation has been filed and is contingent upon the approval of zoning relief and completion of the sale. Improvements (or structures) located on said property are a frame building, pavement, and an Advertising Off-Premises Sign/Billboard. The building and pavement will be demolished to allow for the construction of a commercial drive-in service. The Advertising Off-Premises Sign/Billboard will remain. Subject property is currently classified in the Sangamon County I-2 zoning district. Legally described as: The North 150 feet of the South 410 feet of the South 1/4 of Section 13, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Me-

ridian that lies East of the right of way of Illinois Terminal Railroad Company formerly Springfield and Northeastern Traction Company as said right of way was established by Deed dated August 11, 1906, recorded August 17, 1906 in Book 131 of Deeds at Page 26 and that lies West of the right of way of U.S. Highway 66 By-Pass, as said right of way was established by dedication to the People of the State of Illinois, dated March 3, 1937. and recorded August 25, 1937 in Book 232 of Deeds at Page 295, situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax ID Number: 14-13.0-200-007
The subject property is commonly known as 2631 N. Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, Illinois.
The petitioner is NLD Acquisitions LLC, By Benito Hidalgo, As Contract Buyer
Docket No. 2025-053
John Harris
Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition.

A petition for Conditional Permitted Use pursuant to Sections: 155.031 (c)(4), Residences located on the first floor, & 155.182, Multifamily Residences in Certain Commercial Districts, and variances of Sections: 155.320 (a) (b) & (c), Permitted Accessory On-Premises Signs; and 155.322 (C), Illuminated Signs, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Petitioner desires to develop the site into Route 66 Hideaways, a certified Centennial lodging destination offering: ADA-accessible micro-lodging units, which will include 4 short term rentals constructed out of 2 re-modified containers into dwelling units; Public art and murals by Springfield-based artists; Cultural storytelling tied to Springfield's legacy and Route 66 history; A monument-style sign placed in the courtyard area placed approximately 34-42 feet from the north property line, and a ground sign front yard location approximately 20-30 feet from the corner intersection of Elizabeth and Garfield. To be in compliance with the zoning ordinance petitioner respectfully requests a Conditional Permitted Use pursuant to Sections: 155.031 (c) (4)- Residences located on the first floor; and 155.182, Multifamily Residences in an S-2 District, to allow 4 short term (micro lodging units) rental units with residences located on the first floor; and variances of Sections: 155.320 (a & b) to allow one ground sign located in front of the yard area near Garfield and Elizabeth intersection and an additional ground sign to be located in the courtyard area of the development with the two ground signs being within approximately 40-50 feet from each other, instead of the 100 feet allowed per code; 155.320 (c) to allow signage within 50 feet of a residential zoning district - a monument style center sign placed approximately 34-42 feet from the north property line; 155.322 (c) to allow illuminated signage within 100 feet of a residential zoning lot -the courtyard sign would be approximately 34-42 ft from the north property line and the front yard sign will be approximately 80-90 feet from the north property line. Lighting will be done in a manner where there won't be any disability glare or light trespass on any adjoining properties or roadways.
NOTE: The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission decision at the

December 17, 2025, meeting will be a FINAL determination of the requests related to the Conditional Permitted Use. The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation on the requested variances will be forwarded to City Council for it's consideration on January 20, 2026. Improvements (or structures) located on said property are none, unimproved vacant lots. Subject Real Estate is currently classified in the S-2, Community Shopping and Office District, Section 155.031. Legally described as: E 100' L 1 B 8 Catherine Woods 2nd Sub S PT W1/2 NE 22-16-5 situated in the County of Sangamon and State of Illinois; commonly known as 1901 Elizabeth Street, Springfield, Illinois, and further identified as Index #14- 22.0-253-013. And, E 50' W 90.5' L 1 B 8 Catherine Woods 2nd Sub PT W1/2 NE 22-16-5 situated in the County of Sangamon and State of Illinois; commonly known as 1903 Elizabeth Street, Springfield, Illinois, and further identified as Index #14-22.0-253-012. The property is commonly known as 1901 & 1903 Elizabeth Street, Springfield, Illinois The petitioner is KENNEDY & MARCUM LLC, By Marla Cummings, it's Manager Docket No. 2025-052 John Harris Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition. A petition for variance of Section 155.069 (a) (3), Fences, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. The petitioner desires to replace an existing fence along the rear property line. The fence to be eight (8') feet in height (which would allow the fence to be six (6') feet in height from ground level of the home and pool area); said fence to be pine, solid privacy; said fence to be erected in the rear yard, tapering on each side to six (6') feet to meet existing side fence panels; said fence to be for security, privacy, and protection of the property. To be in compliance with zoning ordinance, the petitioner respectfully requests a variance of 155.069 (a) (3) to allow a fence eight feet in height instead of the six feet allowed per code. The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission decision will be a final determination on this matter. Improvements (or Structures) located on said property are a frame building consisting of one dwelling unit with attached two car garage located on the property. The subject real estate is currently classified in the R-1, Single-Family Residence District, Section 155.016. Legally described as: Lot Nine (9) in Tallgrass First Addition Block One (1), Capital Township, situated in the County of Sangamon and State of Illinois; commonly known as 3808 Bluestem Court, Springfield, Illinois, and further identified as Parcel: 23-18.0-252-008. The subject property is commonly known as 3808 Bluestem Court, Springfield, Illinois. The petitioner is Stacy Estes Docket No. 2025-051 John Harris Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition. A petition for a Conditional Permitted Use pursuant to Sections 155.033 (c) (7), Taverns and microbreweries, exclusive of drive-in or drive up windows for the sale of alcohol, and 155.200, Taverns, microbreweries, country clubs and golf course clubhouses with liquor sales by the drink, and 155.033 (c) (8), Conditional Permitted Uses in the B-1 Highway Business Service District: Package Liquor Sales, exclusive of drive-in or drive-up windows for the sale of alcohol, and Section 155.210, Package Liquor Sales, of the City of Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Subject property is improved with a three suite strip center and petitioner desires for Tenant Suites B and C (consisting of dimensions of approximately 52 feet width and 60 feet depth, for a total of 3,120 square feet), operation of retail sales of package liquor and for the operation of a tavern with liquor sales by the drink. To be in compliance with the zoning ordinance petitioner respectfully requests a Conditional permitted use pursuant to Sections: 155.033 (c) (7), and 155.200, to operate a tavern with liquor sales by the drink, and 155.033 (c) (8), and 155.210, to permit retail sales of package liquor. The request for Conditional Permitted Uses is limited to the area referred to as 2730 S. Sixth Street, Tenant Suite B and C of the strip center, containing approximately 3,120 square footage of interior space with dimensions of 52 feet at the front and 60 feet in depth. Improvements (or Structures) located on property is a three suite strip center located on the North West corner of a large parcel subject to a condominium agreement. The large parcel is also improved with a large commercial building. Subject Real Estate is currently classified in the B-1, Highway Business Service District, Section 155.033. Legally described as: UNIT B OF HABITAT/SHIVA CONDOMINIUM, A CONDOMINIUM AS DELINEATED ON A SURVEY OF PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, WHICH SURVEY IS ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT B TO THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM FOR HABITAT/SHIVA CONDOMINIUM RECORDED APRIL 9, 2018 AS DOCUMENT NO. 2018R06798 IN THE OFFICE OF THE SANGAMON COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE TOGETHER WITH AN UNDIVIDED PERCENTAGE INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS APPURTENANT TO EACH UNIT AS SET FORTH IN EXHIBIT B TO SUCH DECLARATION, AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, WHICH PERCENTAGE SHALL AUTOMATICALLY CHANGE IN ACCORDANCE WITH AMENDED DECLARATIONS AS SUCH AMENDED DECLARATIONS ARE FILED OF RECORD PURSUANT TO SAID DECLARATION, AND TOGETHER WITH ADDITIONAL COMMON ELEMENTS AS SAME ARE FILED OF RECORD, IN THE PERCENTAGES AS ARE SET FORTH IN SUCH AMENDED DECLARATIONS, WHICH PERCENTAGES SHALL AUTOMATICALLY BE DEEMED TO BE CONVEYED EFFECTIVE ON THE RECORDING OF SUCH AMENDED DECLARATIONS AS THOUGH THEREBY CONVEYED. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. TAX ID# 22-10.0-158-025

The property is located at 2730 South 6th Street, Tenant Suites B & C, Springfield, Illinois. The petitioner is Shiva Plaza Springfield Inc., By Its Attorneys, Gates Wise Schlosser & Goebel, Gordon W. Gates of Counsel. Docket No. 2025-050 John Harris Zoning Administrator

The Springfield Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, December 17, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Center West to hear the following petition. A petition for reclassification of property from R-1, Single-family Residence District, Section 155.015 to R-3 (b), General Residence District, Section 155.018 and a variance of Sections: 155.480 (i) and (k), Landscape Screening and lighting Regulations: Transitional Buffer Yard Requirement and Landscaping; and Site and Parking Area Lighting Requirements, and 155.112, Surfacing, of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance. Petitioners desire to use subject property as a three (3) unit residence. The Petitioners reside in the first floor unit. To be in compliance with the zoning ordinance petitioners respectfully request reclassification of property from R-1 to R-3 (b) for use as a multi-family residence with three (3) separate living units; and variances of: 155.112 to allow gravel surface for parking and drive lanes instead of a solid dust-free surface per code; and 155.480 (i) to reduce any required transitional buffer yard to zero and to remove the requirement for screening, and 155.480(k) to remove the parking lot and site lighting requirement. Improvements (or structures) located on said property is a two story brick and frame residential style building. The subject property is currently classified as R-1, Single-family Residence, Section 155.015. Legally described as: The North 60 feet of the South 120 feet of Lot 7 in Block 3 of B. S. Edwards' Second North Addition to the City of Springfield, except the West 16 feet reserved for alley purposes. Parcel No 14-27.0-159-013. The property is located at 713 N. 4th Street, Springfield Illinois. The petitioners are Michael and Lauren Dodge, By Attorneys Gates Wise Schlosser & Goebel, Gordon W. Gates of Counsel. Docket No. 2025-049 John Harris Zoning Administrator

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, vs. RIVER SONG PROPERTIES LLC, INB NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s)) No. 25-MR-525 NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 4, 2025 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate

commonly known as 321 W. Reynolds Street, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as: THE EAST 40 FEET OF LOT 7 IN BLOCK 12 OF MASON'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-28.0-434-013); and for other relief. UNLESS 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 22, 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, vs. YURI SIMMONS, WILLIAM D. MOORE, ILLINOIS HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s) No. 25-MR-524 NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, YURI SIMMONS, WILLIAM D. MOORE, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that a complaint has been filed in the above named court on November 4, 2025 for demolition of the structure or structures located on the real estate commonly known as 2310 Ramsey Avenue, Springfield, Illinois, and legally described as: Lot 49 of Charles S. Wanless' Northmoor Subdivision, a subdivision of Lots 61 to 66 inclusive, Wanless' Springfield Heights Addition to the City of Springfield. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. (Permanent Parcel No. 14-23.0-436-004); and for other relief. UNLESS YURI SIMMONS, WILLIAM D. MOORE, 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 22, 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

Substitute Notice of Security Breach Williamsville State Bank and Trust has previously mailed notice by U.S. mail to individuals whose information may be subject to compromise as the result of a security breach which occurred in 2024. For those few limited instances where that mailed notice was returned, or where insufficient contact information existed, we provide the following information to comply with substitute notice provisions under statute. What Happened? On December 24, 2024, we became aware of a security breach, due to unauthorized attempts by a bad actor to initiate fraud with correspondent financial institutions by email communications. These attempts failed; however, the bad actor obtained unauthorized access to various information. At this time, we believe the improper access began in or around October 16, 2024. Security was restored as of December 27, 2024. What Information Was Involved? Some information subject to access contained a name or names in association with one or more of the following items: account number, credit card number, debit card number, social security number, state or governmental identification card number, or driver's license number. Information subject to access, or accessed, varies between persons. What We Are Doing. The Bank has implemented additional security measures and is further reinforcing procedural safeguards with our correspondent financial institutions. The Bank remains vigilant for irregular and unusual account activity. The Bank has also advised regulatory and law enforcement authorities. What You Can Do. We recommend you monitor your transactions involving private personal information and remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft, by reviewing your account statements when received, by reviewing and monitoring free credit reports and taking advantage of other assistance items noted below in this notice to best detect any errors or irregularities that may have resulted from the intrusion. In the event you experience any suspicious activity or incidents, contact law enforcement immediately, including the Attorney General for your state of residency, and report any incidents of identity theft to the Federal Trade Commission. We remind you to remain vigilant, especially over the next twelve to twenty-four months, and to also promptly and immediately report incidents of suspected identity theft, and/or suspicious activity (including any suspicious account statements) to the Bank, and any other financial entities you may be doing business with. Other Important Information. You can obtain information from the Federal Trade Commission and the credit bureaus Equifax, Experian and TransUnion about fraud alerts and security freezes (also known as "credit freezes"), and free credit reports. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) also has online guidance at <https://identitytheft.gov/> to assist you in protecting against identity theft. Fraud Alerts: A fraud alert on the customer's consumer or credit report is intended to put the customer's creditors on notice that the customer may be a victim of fraud. A fraud alert tells a business creditor to check with you before opening a new account in your name. An initial fraud alert lasts for one year and can be renewed. To establish a free fraud alert, contact one of the three credit bureaus, Equifax, Experian, or TransUnion. When

establishing a fraud alert, the contacted credit bureau will contact the other two bureaus. Additionally, Equifax, Experian, TransUnion and the Federal Trade Commission each can provide additional information on fraud alerts and other free services to assist you. Security and Credit Freezes: A security freeze, (also known as a "credit freeze"), is designed to prevent a business from accessing your credit report without your consent (with certain exceptions). Unlike a fraud alert it will be necessary for you to contact each national credit bureau individually (Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion) to have that specific credit bureau place a free freeze on your credit report. Credit Reports: Every person, by law, can obtain a free copy of their credit report from each of the three principal national credit bureaus through a centralized source maintained jointly by Equifax, Experian and TransUnion. These are the ONLY ways to order your free annual credit reports: 1) Visit: www.annualcreditreport.com This is the ONLY website authorized to fill orders for the free annual credit report you are entitled to by law. The FTC also advises you to be cautious of imposter sites. 2) Call: 1-877-322-8228, or 3) Write/mail: Annual Credit Report Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281 (include a completed Annual Credit Report Request Form, that form is available online ONLY at www.annualcreditreport.com). Additional Guidance: Federal guidance recommends that persons whose private personal information may be compromised obtain and review periodic credit reports from each of the nationwide credit reporting agencies and, if any fraudulent transaction appears on a report, to contact that reporting company to have the transaction deleted. CAUTION: Even if you were unaffected by the security breach, we urge you to be mindful of potential secondary scams, where bad actors may pose as law enforcement, a bank or another financial institution's personnel, and urge you to act quickly or immediately. Require proper verification and proof from any person who contacts you. Verify any contact you receive, or that you make, through trusted publicly available secondary sources. Do not rely solely on contact information provided by someone urging you to act. Confirm all facts and contacts via a trusted publicly available secondary source. For More Information. If you have questions or concerns, or need particular assistance, please call the Williamsville State Bank and Trust between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday at our tollfree number 1-(855) 566-3387, or reach us at 1-(217) 698-9728 and ask to speak with a Response Team Member. Our 1-(217) 698-9728 number is readily verifiable through public sources, for confirmation purposes. Any inquiries should be by phone or U.S. mail for security purposes. Our mailing address is: Williamsville State Bank and Trust, Attn: Substitute Notice, 3341 Old Jacksonville Road Springfield IL 62711. Also please see Further Information below. Sincerely, WILLIAMSVILLE STATE BANK AND TRUST. Further Information: Consumer Reporting Agencies (Credit Bureaus): Equifax Information Services LLC, P.O. Box 740256, Atlanta, GA 30348 Ph:1-888-378-4329 or 1-800-685-1111 www.equifax.com / Experian National Consumer Assistance, P.O. Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013 Ph: 1-888-397-3742 www.experian.com / TransUnion, Fraud

Victim Assistance Department, P.O. Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016-2000 Ph: 1-800-680-7289 or 1-888-909-8872 www.transunion.com Federal Trade Commission: (for identity theft guidance and to report suspected incidents of identity theft): Federal Trade Commission c/o Bureau of Consumer Protection, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20580 Ph: 1-877-382-4357 or 1-877- IDTHEFT or TDD: 1-866-653-4261 <https://www.identitytheft.gov/> or <https://www.ftc.gov> To report suspected incidents of identity theft: <https://report-fraud.ftc.gov/> Illinois Attorney General: Identity Theft Hotline and Information: Illinois Attorney General, 500 South 2nd St., Springfield, IL 62701, Ph 1-866-999-5630 "Individuals with hearing or speech disabilities can reach us by using the 7-1-1 relay service." <https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov> or <https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/consumer-protection/identity-theft/> End of Notice

The Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS) has prepared the Draft FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), a four-year program of federally-funded and/or significant road, rail, bicycle, pedestrian, and mass transit projects. The TIP document is on file for public review until December 8, 2025, at the following locations:

- SATS Website, www.sscrpc.com
- In Springfield:
- Regional Planning Commission, 200 S. 9th St., Rm 252
- Springfield Mass Transit District Office, 928 S. 9th St
- Lincoln Public Library, 326 S. 7th St., Sangamon Valley Collection
- In Chatham:
- Chatham Area Public Library, 600 E. Spruce St.

Comments and questions may be submitted by email at SSCRPC@sangamonil.gov, or in writing by mailing comments to Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission, 200 South 9th Street, Rm 252, Springfield, IL 62701. Written comments will be accepted through December 8, 2025. A Public Information Meeting will be conducted as part of the SATS Technical Committee meeting on Thursday, December 4, at 8:30 AM. Information about accessing the meeting will be available on the website no later than November 26, 2025. Contact the Regional Planning Commission at (217) 535-3110 or SSCRPC@sangamonil.gov for more information.

Public notice of public involvement activities and time established for public review and comment on the TIP will satisfy the Program of Projects requirements of the Section 5307 Program.

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,
vs.
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 FACTORY PARK ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
(Permanent Parcel No. 14-27-276-034);
and for other relief.
UNLESS Jesse Hopson a/k/a Jessie Hopson, 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,
vs.
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 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 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 SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE WEST 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
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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,
vs.
CHERYL SUMPTER, US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendant(s)
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
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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,
vs.
KENNETH W. JONES, JR, JANICE L. JONES, SANGAMON COUNTY AS TRUSTEE, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s)
No. 25-MR-515
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO, KENNETH W. JONES, JR., JANICE L. JONES, UNKNOWN OWNERS & 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
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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,
vs.
DIANE STARK, SANGAMON COUNTY AS TRUSTEE, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendant(s)
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
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Emily Rosenberger
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Attorneys for Plaintiff
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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,
vs.
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 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
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS Plaintiff,
vs.
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 Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Room 402, Springfield, Illinois, 62701, within 45 days of this publication, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT OR DECREE MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR FORFEITURE OF THE ABOVE ASSETS PURSUANT TO ILLINOIS FORFEITURE LAW.
Joe Roesch
Clerk of Court
J.W. Pierceall
Assistant State's Attorney
200 S. 9th Street, Room 402
Springfield, Illinois 62701
(217) 753-6690
Sangamoncounty.SAO.civil@sangamonil.gov

CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
IN THE MATTER OF Ramya Bias
No. 2025-GR-216
To: Lottie Riney at address unknown:
Please be notified that Stephanie Otken has filed a Petition for Guardianship of Ramya Bias, minor child. You are

required to answer said Petition By December 15, 2025 or be defaulted by the Court thereafter.

Advertisement for Bid
Lincoln Land Community College (LLCC) invites qualified ELECTRICAL/SOLAR Contractors, to submit sealed bids to furnish all labor & material to complete requirements of bidding for INSTALLATION OF A ROOF MOUNT SOLAR ARRAY FOR THE SOLAR POWERED COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION TRAINING LAB project.
Sealed bids must be delivered to the attention of MR. TIM ERVIN, Director of Construction & EHS, Lincoln Land Community College, Construction & EHS Office – Mason Hall, 5250 Shepherd Road, Springfield, IL 62794-9256 (Southeast corner of the LLCC Main Campus), on or before TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2025, at 2:00 PM Central Standard Time (CST), at which time the bids will be opened and read aloud. Faxed or e-mailed bids will not be accepted. Vendors are responsible for ensuring that bids are received by the above office prior to the deadline. Bids received after the deadline will not be considered. Contractors who have submitted a bid are invited, but not required, to attend the bid opening.
All Contracts for the Construction of Public Works are subject to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/) and the Drug Free Workplace Act (30 ILCS 580/). All contractors and subcontractors shall demonstrate experience on projects of similar size and type. While this project is not administered by the Capital Development Board all contractors and subcontractors must be pre-qualified with the CDB for a minimum of 45 days.
All contractor contact and questions regarding any matter concerning this Invitation to Bid must be submitted in writing to MR. DARREN JOHNSON, PE, BERNERS-SCHOBER ASSOCIATES, INC., 1 NORTH OLD STATE CAPITAL PLAZA, SUITE 310, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62701, by FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2025. Submittals of questions may be emailed to DJOHNSON@BSAGB.COM, please put "SOLAR POWERED COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION TRAINING LAB" in the subject line.) No questions will be addressed after 3:00 PM (CST), on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2025.
Other questions regarding the bid documents will be addressed at a mandatory pre bid meeting/site visit for contractors, which shall begin promptly at 9:00 AM, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2025, at MASON HALL, CONFERENCE ROOM, on the LLCC main campus. Failure to be present when the meeting begins, may result in the bidder being disqualified. Contractors should have any subcontractors present at the mandatory pre-bid meeting who may wish to view the site. Further information concerning the specifications of this invitation to bid resulting from questions submitted, either in writing or resulting from the pre bid meeting/site visit, will be communicated in the form of an addendum. E-mail or verbal responses to questions are not a part of the bid documents and only formal addendum will govern. Bid Documents will be available to qualified contractors from the offices of BERNERS-SCHOBER ASSOCIATES, INC. on or after MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2025. Qualified contractors may obtain documents by depositing \$50 per set, refundable upon return of documents in good condition within one week of Bid

Due Date. The Central Illinois Builders' Non-Cash Security Method for request of documents will be accepted on this project, as well.

The bidder shall furnish a bid deposit in the amount of 5% of the amount bid in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond, made payable to Lincoln Land Community College.

The Lincoln Land Community College, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, all contractors will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of the owner's race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income-level, or LEP in consideration for an award.

LLCC reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities in the bids received, or to permit timely correction of minor deficiencies in bids whenever such rejection or waiver is in the interest of LLCC and to accept the bid or bids being most favorable to LLCC after all bids have been examined and evaluated.

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

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. PLAINTIFF,

-vs

Unknown Heirs and/or Legatees of Shirley A. Leonard a/k/a Shirley Ann Leonard a/k/a Shirley Ann Carter a/k/a Shirley Carter, Deceased; Unknown Heirs and/or Legatees of Kelly Carter, Deceased; Unknown Heirs and/or Legatees of Michele Loseman a/k/a Michele L. Loseman, Deceased; Justin Loseman; James R. Carter; Kiem A. Carter; GoodLeap, LLC.; Michael J. Diaz, as Special Representative of Shirley A. Leonard a/k/a Shirley Ann Leonard a/k/a Shirley Ann Carter a/k/a Shirley Carter, Deceased; Unknown Owners And Non-Record Claimants

DEFENDANTS

NO. 24 FC 188

PUBLICATION NOTICE

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you Unknown Heirs and/or Legatees of Shirley A. Leonard a/k/a Shirley Ann Leonard a/k/a Shirley Ann Carter a/k/a Shirley Carter, Deceased; Unknown Heirs and/or Legatees of Kelly Carter, Deceased; Unknown Heirs and/or Legatees of Michele Loseman a/k/a Michele L. Loseman, Deceased; James R. Carter; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants.

Defendants in the above entitled suit, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County, by the said Plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit: LOT 919 OF CHARLES S. WANLESS' NORTHGATE ADDITION FOURTEENTH PLAT A PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED SEPTEMBER 8, 1977 IN BOOK 23 OF PLATS AT PAGE 18 AS DOCUMENT NO. 390811. EXCEPT THE COAL AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE SURFACE OF SAID LAND AND

ALL RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL AND MINERALS. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 2043 Scarbrough Road, Springfield, IL 62702

Permanent Index No.: 14-24-126-020 and which said Mortgage was made by Shirley A. Leonard, a single person Mortgagors, to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Mortgagee, and recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Sangamon County, Illinois, Document No. 2009R42901. And for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that the suit is now pending.

Now therefore, unless you, the said above named defendants, e-file your answer to the Complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, on or before the 30th day after the first publication of this notice which is DECEMBER 22, 2025. Default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

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

Clerk

LOGS Legal Group LLP

Attorney for Plaintiff

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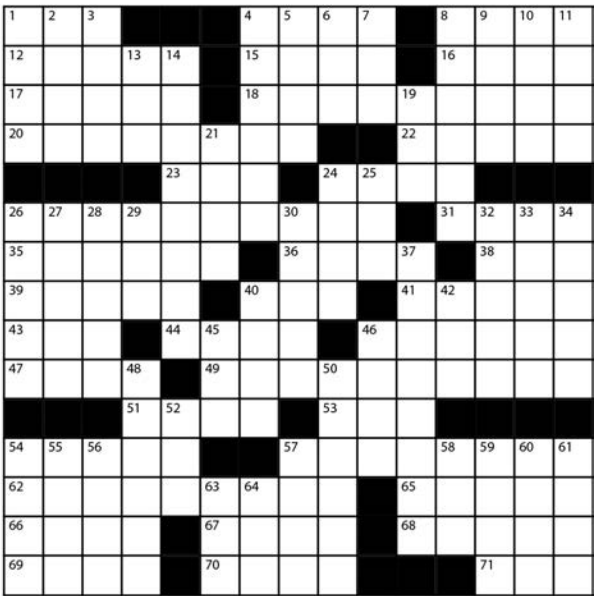
THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IF YOUR PERSONAL LIABILITY FOR THIS DEBT HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED BY A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY OR BY AN ORDER GRANTING IN REM RELIEF FROM STAY, THIS NOTICE IS PROVIDED SOLELY TO FORECLOSE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

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Across

- Word that could precede the first word of the starred clues
- Putin's refusal
- Light bulb unit
- Drafted
- Move slowly
- Put on the payroll
- One of 3.5 billion
- ** Relative of muttonchops
- Orange flower
- Miniature map
- Gorilla
- After curfew
- ** Certain outdoor growing area
- Blend
- Lash out at
- "Terrible" czar
- Fu-____ (legendary Chinese sage)
- ____ terrier
- Farm pen
- Newspaper section
- Stretch, with "out"
- Trot or canter
- Delphic shrine
- Delhi wrap
- ** Lego, for one
- Adam's apple spot
- Baseball stat
- Malicious
- It may be critical
- ** Still prettifier
- Sierra ____



- Reset number
- French film
- 1945 summit site
- Adjusts, as a clock
- Middle-____ (person who's fiftyish)
- Period, in Web addresses
- Gymnast's goal
- Complains
- Gives a hand
- Forest unit
- Midterm, say
- ____ chi
- Attractive
- Dog command
- Australian export
- Impose, as a tax
- Gasteyer of "Mean Girls"
- Revs
- Japanese port
- Basket material
- A long way
- "Same here!"
- Not too brainy
- Basket fiber
- One who gets up
- In general
- Fine fabric
- Call to Bo-peep
- 2, on an ATM
- Gumbo pods
- Paired up
- Middle point
- Cataract site
- Corp. money managers
- Burn balm
- Honk
- Excellent
- Thumbs-up vote
- Auction cry
- A fan of
- Place on a bus
- Big TV maker
- Oinker

Down

- Did laps, say
- ____ Major
- Film ____
- "Whether 'tis ____"
- Common contraction
- Book before Neh.

Puzzle answers from this week will appear here next week

S	A	G	A		B	O	I	L		A	M	U	S	T
E	G	O	S		A	N	T	I		C	O	S	T	A
Q	U	E	E	N	B	E	E	S		E	N	T	E	R
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K	I	N	G	O	F	T	H	E	J	U	N	G	L	E
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Y	O	W	I	E		J	A	C	K	B	L	A	C	K
P	L	E	A	D		E	L	E		E	Y	E	R	
E	A	R	L	S		T	E	R	N		T	A	D	A

Crossword answers from #919

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

Sudoku answers from #919

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

JoshJosh answers from #919

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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.

2-	7+		2-	12+	
	3x	11+			
				2÷	3-
16+	1-	3÷			
		9x		1-	
			6+		2

Difficulty medium

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

Difficulty hard



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