



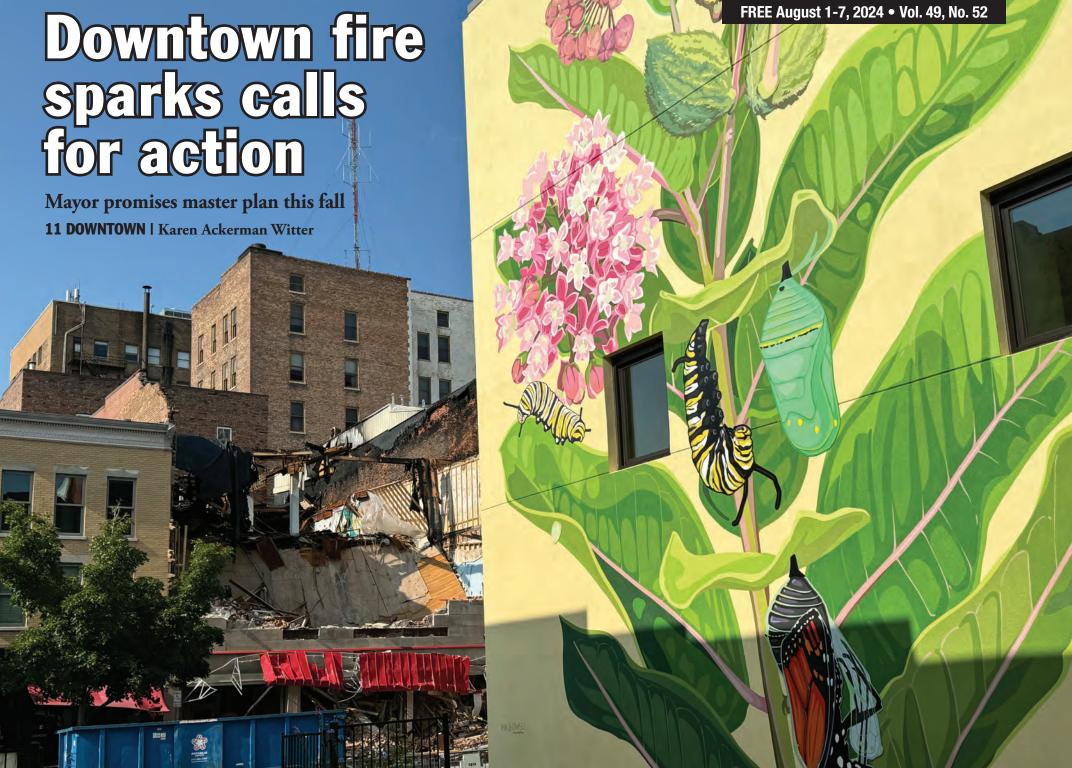




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Former foster father charged after boy's drowning

Death of Barrett Koches, 7, leads to charges against former City Council candidate David Yankee

COURTS | Dean Olsen

A 48-year-old Springfield man and former City Council candidate was charged July 24 with endangering the life or health of a child in connection with the March 16 swimming pool drowning of 7-year-old Barrett Koches.

David Yankee, of the 2300 block of Winnebago Drive, was charged in a Sangamon County grand jury indictment with two felony counts and two misdemeanor counts of endangering the life or health of a child.

Yankee appeared in court July 25, pleaded not guilty and was released while he awaits trial. A judge decided he is eligible for representation by a public defender, but a lawyer from the Public Defender's Office hasn't been assigned to his case yet.

The next Sangamon County Circuit Court hearing in the case is scheduled for Aug. 8.

The first two counts against Yankee are connected with the death of Koches, a foster child in the care of Yankee, 48, and his husband, Michael.

The misdemeanor counts are related to two other foster children, a 10-year-old and Barrett's 4-year-old brother, Ryder, who were at the Yankee home at the time of the incident but not injured.

The two children were removed from the Yankee home by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services after Barrett's drowning, and DCFS said the Yankees, who had been foster parents for eight years, currently have no foster children.

Count One of the indictment says



July 24 booking photo of David Yankee COURTESY OF SANGAMON COUNTY JAIL

Yankee "knowingly caused or permitted the life or health of a child under the age of 18 to be endangered, in that the defendant left 7-year-old (Barrett Koches) at home unattended for over one hour, with only the supervision of a 10-year-old and a

4-year-old," resulting in Barrett's death.

Under Illinois law, "unattended" means not accompanied by a person 14 years of age or older.

Each of the felony charges against David Yankee is punishable upon conviction by a prison term of two to 10 years, though a judge can opt to impose a sentence of probation or no prison time. The misdemeanor charges carry a maximum penalty of one year in jail.

Barrett, who police said had been living with the Yankees for about a month, was found face-down in the home's uncovered, in-ground outdoor pool on March 16.

The Yankees' three foster children, all boys, were left without adult supervision for about an hour after David Yankee left to go to the Walmart on North Dirksen Parkway about 11:40 a.m. March 16, according to police reports.

Michael Yankee, who wasn't charged,

was not home at the time of the incident and "had not been home since the morning, when he left for work at Kohl's," police reports said.

Police and other emergency responders were alerted to the drowning after the 10-year-old boy ran out to the front of the house and got the attention of a FedEx driver who then called for help.

The 10-year-old told police that the 4-year-old "threw a brick into the shallow end of the pool." Police reports said Barrett jumped into the pool to retrieve the brick, then threw the brick out of the pool and tried to get out but slipped in the shallow end and, "as a result, slid into the deep end."

A Springfield firefighter and a city police officer pulled Barrett out of the pool, and firefighters began to perform CPR. Barrett was transported by ambulance to HSHS St. John's Hospital, where medical staff worked on him before pronouncing him dead at 1 p.m. March 16.

David Yankee, who ran unsuccessfully for the Ward 4 aldermanic seat on the Springfield City Council in 2023, told police that when he left for Walmart, he planned to go to a bank inside the store.

Police reports quoted Yankee as saying he wanted to either deposit money or cash a check at the bank – both tasks were mentioned – so he "could take the children downtown." While at the store, Yankee "got distracted in the clearance and Easter aisle, so he took longer in Walmart than expected," according to reports.

When reached by phone July 25, Yankee wouldn't comment on the charges.

Yankee told the *Illinois Times* reporter who called that he was "fired from my job" because of what the reporter had previously written about him.

"You destroyed my life," Yankee said before hanging up.

Yankee had been working as a licensed financial adviser for ACB Wealth Management, which is affiliated with Petersburg-based Alliance Community Bank. When reached by phone July 29, Bank President and Chief Executive Officer John Leinberger would confirm only that Yankee no longer is employed by the institution. □

Editor's note —

It's not a bad idea to have an experienced hand in the White House managing the store while his party's candidate runs around the country campaigning. And a campaign of 100 days, rather than 500 or more, seems about right. Political parties may want to consider the advantages of switching their presidential candidate after one term, rather than two, so there's a fresh face and not as much baggage to carry. Having the incumbent step aside also spotlights the strength or weakness of the party's bench. What seems like chaos now could spawn smarter and better politics for the future. – Fletcher Farrar, editor

Deputy charged with murder had previous employment issues

Also discharged from Army for serious misconduct

LAW ENFORCEMENT | By Farrah Anderson and Sam Stecklow, for Invisible Institute and the Investigative Reporting Workshop

Sean Grayson, the former Sangamon County sheriff's deputy now facing murder charges in the death of Sonya Massey, left a previous agency following allegations of inappropriate conduct with a female detainee.

Grayson, 30, was also accused of retaliating against the detainee's boyfriend after she filed a complaint.

Invisible Institute, Illinois Public Media and the Investigative Reporting Workshop obtained new records from the Logan County Sheriff's Office, where Grayson worked for 11 months prior to Sangamon County, that show department officials concluded Grayson ignored internal policies during a high-speed chase, fielded at least two formal complaints about his behavior, detected serious inaccuracies in some of his police reports and told him directly that they had considered firing him.

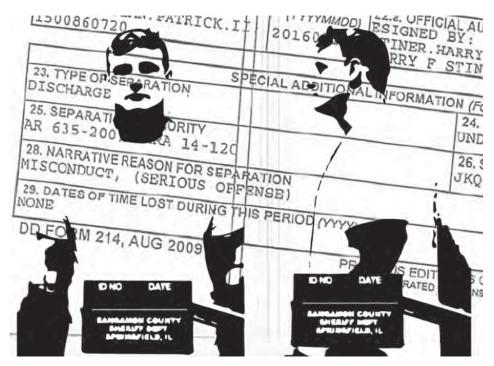
These records also include audio recordings from a November 2022 interview between Grayson and Logan County's chief deputy which suggest the department – as well as other police departments that had employed him – were previously aware of issues with his performance and integrity as an officer.

Grayson's relatively short law enforcement career, during which he worked at six central Illinois police departments in four years, has come under scrutiny in the weeks since he shot and killed Sonya Massey on July 6, 2024.

Body-camera footage of the incident shows that Grayson shot at Massey, 36, three times after entering her home and telling her to drop a pot of boiling water. He has since pleaded not guilty to charges of first-degree murder, aggravated battery with a firearm and official misconduct.

Daniel Fultz, Grayson's defense attorney, declined to comment about the allegations contained within Grayson's file from his time at Logan County, a mostly rural county of about 28,000 people between Springfield and Peoria

Logan County Sheriff Mark Landers said Grayson was not under investigation when he left the department but declined to comment further. Grayson resigned from the Logan County Sheriff's Office to take a position with the Sangamon County Sheriff's Office. He remained there until he was fired after



Former Sangamon County Sheriff's deputy Sean Grayson, who is now charged with murder in the fatal shooting of Sonya Massey, was previously discharged from the U.S. Army for serious misconduct — and still hired at six police departments in central Illinois. Graphic by Farrah and Erson

Massey's killing.

An undated report announcing Grayson's resignation from Logan County reads that he left the sheriff's office "in good standing."

The Sangamon County Sheriff's Department issued a written response July 26 that said the department "was not provided with the information" obtained by Invisible Institute and the Investigative Reporting Workshop.

The Sangamon County department added, "We cannot comment on whether the information is accurate, nor why it was not shared by another agency."

By the time Grayson applied to be a deputy at the Logan County Sheriff's Office in March 2022, he had four different policing jobs across central Illinois – three part-time gigs and one full-time post.

But when Logan County officials called his current employer, the Auburn Police Department, they received mixed reviews. Auburn Police Chief Dave Campbell said that, while Grayson was an eager officer who showed up for his shifts early and had never been disciplined, he struggled with report writing and had raised concerns that he was "too aggressive."

"Very aggressive with getting drugs," the Logan County interviewer wrote in his or her notes. "He's a bragger."

The Auburn Police Department declined to answer any questions about Grayson's previous employment or evaluations.

Despite his background, Grayson was hired full-time at the Logan County Sheriff's Office – the largest department he had worked for thus far.

But it quickly became apparent that he may not have been the best fit for the agency.

The first sign of trouble in Logan County came just months after his hiring. According to department records, while on patrol around 1:41 a.m. on Sept. 22, 2022, Grayson spotted a woman in a parked truck, who seemingly crouched down in the driver's seat

in an attempt to avoid being seen by him.

When the woman drove away, Grayson followed her and eventually attempted to pull her over for allegedly rolling through a stop sign – prompting Grayson to initiate a high-speed chase during which he struck a deer.

In reviewing the incident, department officials found that, in a number of instances, the details of Grayson's written report did not match the dash camera footage from his vehicle and that he had violated a number of policies during the chase.

In the interview, Grayson appears to admit to initiating the traffic pursuit, which reached speeds of 110 miles per hour, for potentially illegal reasons, claiming that the woman who he attempted to pull over looked suspicious. His supervisors ultimately recommended he receive training for "high-stress decision making."

In a recorded interview about the chase in November 2022, Logan County Chief Deputy Nathan Miller and another department supervisor made clear that Grayson had not been operating up to their expectations and that they were aware of issues with arrests Grayson had made while at previous departments.

Miller went on to say that he was considering terminating Grayson.

Even with an extended line of questioning, Miller's final report never accuses Grayson of dishonesty, or recommends anything beyond training. Miller only recommended additional training, including training on understanding the department's own policies.

Traffic stops and report writing – and his related credibility questions – weren't the only issues Logan County Sheriff's Office supervisors fielded about Grayson's conduct as an officer.

In December 2022, just a few weeks after the chase, a woman whom Grayson had arrested on drug possession charges filed a complaint with the Logan County Sheriff's Office.

The woman alleged that, as she was being processed at the jail that October, she told deputies that she had inserted drugs inside herself. In response, she claimed, Grayson instructed her to remove them in front of him and another male deputy.

A female deputy intervened and informed

Grayson that was not allowed.

The woman was then brought to Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln to have the drugs removed. While she was lying on a hospital bed in a gown, she alleges that Grayson swept open the curtains around the bed, leaving her "completely exposed" to him and two other male officers.

"I felt very violated on both occasions and was unsure how to handle this matter until now," she wrote in her complaint to the department.

A couple of weeks later, just after the New Year, a man identifying himself as the woman's fiancé, also a detainee at the Logan County Jail, filed a complaint accusing Grayson of "abusing his power and harassing me" in retaliation for his fiancée's complaint.

During the conversation, the man alleged that Grayson asked him if he was aware that his fiancée had been bailed out of jail by another man and was now living with him.

"Well, I thought you guys were getting married," Grayson allegedly told the man. Grayson allegedly went on to say, "That's pretty fucked up, don't ya think?"

Chief Deputy Miller ruled the woman's complaint "unfounded," writing that Grayson was "trained on best practice" in a note dated Jan. 24, 2023.

Previous reporting from Invisible Institute, Illinois Public Media and the Investigative Reporting Workshop revealed Grayson was also hired at six central Illinois police departments, including the Sangamon County Sheriff's Office, despite a discharge for serious misconduct while stationed at Fort Riley in Kansas as a soldier in the U.S. Army.

Sangamon County Sheriff Jack Campbell has said the sheriff's office had a copy of Grayson's certificate of release from the military, and Campbell said the form stated Grayson was given a "general honorable discharge from the military."

However, Anthony Ghiotto, a former Air Force prosecutor who now teaches law at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, said the form to which Campbell referred listed the "character" of Grayson's service as "under honorable conditions (general)," which can be confusing to a lay person.

Regardless, Ghiotto said, the form says the nature of Grayson's separation from the military was an involuntary discharge.

Campbell said the sheriff's department thought the reference on the form to serious misconduct was a reference to one of Grayson's previous Macoupin County arrests in 2016 and 2015 for driving while intoxicated, which records show the officer also disclosed to Logan County at the time

However, Ghiotto said it was unlikely

that a misdemeanor-level DUI would result in such a discharge.

Grayson's employment by six police departments in four years has connected the killing of Massey to the national issue of "wandering officers" — those who commit misconduct at one department and are fired or forced out, only to find employment at

Grayson's official record at the state and department level shows that he wasn't terminated from any department, and was let go by only one, Kincaid, for refusing to move within a 10-mile radius of the Christian County village. However, experts say that the official record could obscure past misconduct, as in Logan County.

Until 2021, Illinois had no comprehensive system to prevent these officers from simply being rehired unless they were criminally convicted of a felony or a small handful of misdemeanors. That year, reforms were put into place to expand the state's power to strip officers of their certifications, and better track officers who left departments after being terminated or while under investigation.

However, according to a May 2024 report by the Chicago law and policy nonprofit Impact for Equity, progress on the new decertification system has "stalled." The state Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board has yet to use its new powers, which went into effect in January 2022, despite receiving hundreds of complaints from departments and residents.

To civil rights attorney Amanda Yarusso, the Logan County Sheriff's Office's decision to only recommend training for Grayson after supervisors clearly indicated Logan County officials thought Grayson had lied on an official report, and had a history of doing so, serves to protect not only Grayson but the reputation of the Logan County Sheriff's Office.

If the Logan County Sheriff's Office failed to report the serious questions about Grayson's credibility to the state and his next hiring agency, that would be a violation of the reforms passed in 2021, said Amy Thompson, a staff counsel at Impact for Equity.

Even though the reforms that were put into place should have made an impact on Grayson's career, the accountability systems "can always be strengthened," Thompson said.

The decertification system has yet to result in any officers who were not convicted of a crime being stripped of their police powers. □

Editor's note: This story is a condensed version of two stories by Invisible Institute and the Investigative Reporting Workshop. Full versions of both stories are available at Illinoistimes.com.

















Civil rights lawyer Ben Crump, who is representing the family of Sonya Massey, demonstrates the downward angle that Crump believes former sheriff's deputy Sean Grayson pointed his gun when firing at Massey, who was crouching behind a counter in her home July 6, based on autopsy results released July 26. The results indicated Massey, 36, was killed by a single bullet that entered under her left eye and exited through the upper part of her neck on the left side. PHOTO BY DEAN OLSEN

An about-face

Union drops grievance seeking reinstatement of fired sheriff's deputy

UNION | Dean Olsen

The union representing Sangamon County sheriff's deputies initially filed a grievance seeking reinstatement of fired deputy and accused murderer Sean Grayson, then said July 30 that it would drop the issue.

The Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council faced criticism on social media and from the family of Sonya Massey, the 36-year-old Sangamon County woman Grayson is charged with shooting in the face on July 6 in her home, and from civil rights attorney Ben Crump, who is representing the Massey family.

The Illinois FOP Labor Council filed the grievance July 18, saying Grayson, 30, of Riverton, was terminated without "just cause." The union added that the department disseminated details of the investigation into the incident and Grayson's termination on Facebook, all in violation of the labor contract.

"Just cause" refers to terms in labor contracts that generally require employers considering firing workers to first give them fair notice of any performance issues, the opportunity to address those issues and valid reasons for discharge.

Labor contracts can allow situations in which an employer can impose immediate discipline, including firing, when there are flagrant violations in rules of conduct.

The grievance also sought seeks reinstatement of all lost wages, restoration of all lost benefits and any other "appropriate relief" for Grayson.

Then the union did an about-face.

"As a labor organization, the Illinois FOP Labor Council has an obligation to all our members to preserve the procedural due-process rights contained in our collective bargaining agreements," Tamara Cummings,

the council's general counsel, said in a

"These rights include the right to avail the grievance process, and to do so, strict timelines must be met," she said. "Therefore, grievances are filed as a matter of course. We as a union, in turn, have internal processes in place to ensure these rights are preserved while, at the same time, proper evaluation of all grievances takes place.

"These internal processes are applied to all members; we do not play favorites or discriminate, regardless of the circumstances surrounding a grievance. ... We have arrived at that final stage of the process where a determination can be made regarding whether or not to proceed with Sean Grayson's grievance. The union has determined that it will not be proceeding any further."

Cummings wouldn't say why the union dropped the grievance.

She did add: "Our obligations under the collective bargaining agreement and to our members do not take away from the sympathy we feel for the family and loved ones of Sonya Massey. Our thoughts and prayers are with them and with all those impacted by this tragedy."

The sheriff's department fired Grayson on July 17, the same day criminal charges of murder, aggravated battery with a firearm and official misconduct in Massey's July 6 death were handed down by a Sangamon County grand jury. Grayson has pleaded not guilty and is being held at the Menard County Jail in Petersburg.

Sheriff Jack Campbell said in a statement July 17: "It is clear that the deputy did not act as trained or in accordance with our standards. Therefore, Sean Grayson's employment with the Sheriff's Office has been terminated."



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Silent screams

GUESTWORK | Nicole Florence

The traumatic events that affect the black community are never-ending. Breonna Taylor and George Floyd weighed heavy on the hearts of many, but moreso on Black Americans. After each event there is outrage and disgust by all, yet, after emotions subside, the status quo remains.

The one solace I have had as a Black woman was that these events didn't occur in "my backyard" or "on my watch." I am not naïve to think that there is no significant systemic racism within my community. But there was some solace in the fact racism hadn't reared its head in such an overtly and inhumane form where I live and work and just breathe. There was solace in my thinking that maybe, just maybe, our community had strength and integrity to keep any horrific event from occurring within the Springfield community. And, even if a heinous event occurred, I had some hope that my community at large and the powers that be would call it out and condemn all inhumane harm done to its own. There would be no questions asked to justify the care of a person in crisis needing compassionate care. We would rally and put humanity first without hesitation.

There is no solace in our Black community, no matter your education or socioeconomic status. We are all at risk. Yes, justice can surgically remove the traumatic festering abscess of the event, but the deep-seated effects of mistrust and fear remain. The harmful actions and the apathetic inactions of those in power perpetuate these wounds. These wounds never truly heal. So we as Black people continue to suffer in silence as our screams only exhaust us and prevent us from being able to deal with the "next time." Our screams land on deaf and numb ears. Is a scream a scream if no one listens or hears it? Like the proverbial fallen tree in the forest?

We scream but in silence. Our screams are in silence as they are heard as dissidence and rebellion instead of what they truly are:

pleadings to be valued and treated as human beings. So, we scream in silence to maintain our jobs and our ability to provide for our families. We scream in silence out of fear. Each day brings us wondering: Is today the day that my loved one or I will succumb to the ravages of racism? We are constantly told words like "but," "can't" and "however," which tend to nullify the preceding sentences of validation. We scream in silence for the generations that screamed before us and for the screams of the next generations to come. We scream in silence because our voices are muted and no longer heard.

Will we ever be heard?

I encourage all to reach out to those within the Black community. Reach out to the ones you know and maybe those you don't know. Ask them to tell their story. I encourage you all to listen with the intention of allowing us people of color to express our truth, and to express the vulnerability we continue to experience in this country. Allow us to purge the trauma of inhumanity we or our loved ones have experienced or seen firsthand. By listening you can validate the anxiety and the unsettling emotions that are woven into the coarse fabric of being Black in America. Allow us the opportunity to begin to heal ourselves - and hopefully our future generations - as the legacy of slavery persists today. True change can only happen when there is understanding. Change requires knowledge by those who are a part of the systems that perpetuate the inhumanity we continue to see and experience. \square

Nicole Florence is a Black woman and longtime citizen of Springfield. She has been a physician locally for 20-plus years. More recently she is using her voice in media and print to advocate for all voices and stories to be heard, and to lessen the divide in our community. This essay was written in response to the death of Earl Moore Jr. in 2023 and remains applicable as we endure the tragedy of Sonya Massey.



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Tiara Standage, at right, talks with another protester during a July 17 rally for justice outside the Springfield NAACP headquarters at 801 S. 11th St. in the wake of the July 6 shooting death of Sonya Massey. A Sangamon County sheriff's deputy who since has been fired was charged with first-degree murder, aggravated battery with a firearm and official misconduct in connection with the 36-year-old Massey's death. PHOTO BY 1221 PHOTOGRAPHY

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This diseased underbelly also blatantly reveals itself when our fellow citizens embrace bigoted rhetoric in our national leadership. Depraved indifference and refusal to look at how deep these consequences of this go hurts us all.

Anne Logue Springfield

Editor's note: Illinois Times has posted more than a dozen stories online regarding Sonya Massey's killing, many of which have not been published in print editions due to timing and space restrictions. Follow illinoistimes.com and Facebook.com/illinoistimes for breaking news in this rapidly evolving story and others.

UNFAIR TO HOMESCHOOLERS

This is an unfortunate story and paints home education in a bad light ("No schoolers: How Illinois' hands-off approach to

homeschooling leaves children at risk," July 11). Home-schooled children score higher on achievement tests than their counterparts and are favored by colleges. This is true no matter if they follow a curriculum or choose to un-school. Even when the parent doesn't have a high school diploma, the children still outperform those in traditional school.

This story is, again, unfortunate and not the norm. I would say the system failed this kid: His doctor, grandmother, aunts, neighbors, the school he previously attended, Congress, the whole of society. These issues seem to be more prevalent and severe in situations of poverty.

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MORE SUPPORT

Thank you for the article about the Ukrainian family that the Unitarian Universalist congregation is sponsoring, but I would be remiss if I did not bring to the community's attention the financial support that Laurel United Methodist Church has consistently provided to the Ukrainian family since 2023 ("Springfield residents sponsor Ukrainian family," July 11).

Debbie Hagan Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation

OPINION

Governor says he supports Karina's Law

Concerns remain about manpower required to implement it

POLITICS | Rich Miller

"I support Karina's Law," Gov. JB Pritzker emphatically told me. It's the strongest statement he's made about the bill, which stalled in the Senate last spring. The proposal would mandate that police remove firearms from a person who has been served with a domestic violence order of protection.

But there still appear to be some Pritzker

Pritzker has previously said that the bill would put big strains on local and state police because it could require as many as four officers to remove those firearms from each of the offenders, and there are thousands of people who would fall under the law's jurisdiction here.

"What I'm trying to highlight about it," Pritzker said, "is the resources don't currently exist to do it in the timely fashion that it's required under the law to accomplish it." Local police agencies, "don't have the manpower. It's just a fact," he said. "There aren't enough sworn officers to carry out what's being asked here."

'So, having said that, should we try?" Pritzker continued. "Well, yeah," he said. "Is there a way to organize this law, to effectuate what everybody wants, and also do it within the manpower that exists? I think maybe. But we have a lot of laws where enforcement falls short, partly because when the law is going through the legislature, they're not considering what it actually takes to effectuate the law. And I don't want that to happen here."

Is the law, then, a giant unfunded

"I appreciate the angle which you're approaching it, but the reality is that we have laws on the books that say that you should be arrested and when you're convicted of murder, you have to spend a certain number [of years in prison]. Is that an unfunded mandate when they pass a law in Springfield that says that murder is a criminal activity? I mean, that's the job of police officers, but, you know, all I'm doing is you're putting some recognition on the idea that, you know, that we need to consider the challenge for local and state police in carrying it out. It's not, you know, should we do it? We absolutely should try to do it."

Does he have any ballpark idea of what the bill would cost?

"I don't know what it would cost... we don't know the number of people who will have to have their weapons removed, as

opposed to those who would turn them in. We just don't know. But here's the thing, I think we need to continue to have conversations about this. Obviously, I've been an advocate for gun safety my entire adult life, and so I am very much in favor of what I think we all want to have effectuated here. I just know that what law enforcement would tell you is it is hard to find the manpower to do everything."

So, is it fair to say he wants "a" bill, but not necessarily "this" bill?

"I believe there may need to be more conversations," the governor said. "'A bill' should pass, yes." He did not elaborate further.

The day after I told subscribers about Pritzker's remarks, the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence released its annual Domestic Violence Homicide Report for 2023, months ahead of its usual October release.

The group's consultant said that ICADV hoped an early release of the numbers, which showed that domestic violence deaths rose by 110% last year, would increase the urgency of passing Karina's Bill.

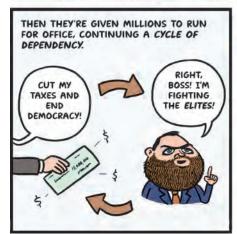
While it stalled in the Senate last spring, Senate President Don Harmon has since told me he is "eager" to pass the bill after a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling appeared to open the door to its constitutionality.

To my eyes, Pritzker appears torn. He is a longtime gun control advocate who supports the bill's concept, but fears that law enforcement won't be able to carry out the bill's sweeping mandate.

So, it appears to me that, since the Illinois State Police would also be involved with this task, at least some of those failures would reflect directly back on the governor, which is likely making him antsy.

Pritzker will have to work out an acceptable solution with legislators before the General Assembly decides to pass something on its own. It would be almost politically impossible for Pritzker to veto a bill that he wasn't comfortable with, so some sort of deal is a must for him - but not so much for legislators. □











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Downtown fire sparks calls for action

Mayor promises master plan this fall

DOWNTOWN | Karen Ackerman Witter

"A revitalized and resilient downtown" was the No. 1 initiative in *The Next 10, A Community Visioning Plan for Greater Springfield* released by the Community Foundation for the Land of Lincoln in spring 2021. The report described downtown as "the heart of the community and region, the seat of state and local government, our cultural center and the stage for our living history." It noted that downtown uses have shifted over the decades and "to act thoughtfully, we must plan and reimagine."

The June 19 fire on Adams Street between Fourth and Fifth streets brought increased attention to downtown and has raised questions about what will emerge from this unfortunate event. This small segment of downtown has been a bright spot where local businesses and organizations collaborate. They are known collectively and affectionately as the "Adams Family."

Now both devastation and inspiration are on full display in that section of Adams Street. Wreckage from the fire – a collapsed building adjacent to the shuttered Café Moxo – dominates the north side of Adams Street. Across the street at the Kidzeum's entrance is a new bold and beautiful Monarch Migrating Mural, part of the Route 66 Monarch Flyway and Mural Trail.

With these starkly contrasting images, now is an opportune time to review what is happening downtown and progress towards a "revitalized and resilient downtown."

"Any disruption has a ripple effect"

Chris Nickell owns the building at 413-415 E. Adams St. that burned and the adjacent buildings to the west that housed Café Moxo (409-411 E. Adams St.). Former Springfield fire marshal Chris Richmond said this was the first major fire in downtown in 40 years.

Nickell describes the interior damage to the Café Moxo building as minor, but an engineering assessment and strategy to stabilize the wall on the east side of Cafe Moxo must be implemented before the fire-damaged building can be demolished. The common wall on the other side of the fire-damaged space is also a factor, since demolition can't occur until decisions are made about the adjacent building, owned by commercial real estate brokers Bill Marriott and Ben Call.

Marriott said he is getting bids for different plans of action and insurance claims are pending. He said his goal is to keep what is safe to keep, but it's a complicated process to determine what is feasible, and nine different insurance agents are involved with the parties



In the foreground, the *Monarch Migrating Mural* at Kidzeum, created by artist Jane Kim and her team from Ink Dwell, is the centerpiece of Visit Springfield's Route 66 mural trail. The Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau secured funding from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and private donors also helped make it possible. The fire-damaged building at 413-415 E. Adams St. is visible across the street and that block remains closed to vehicular traffic. PHOTO BY KAREN WITTER

impacted by the fire. Final actions will require coordination among engineers, insurance companies, the city and impacted building owners and businesses.

In the meantime, Adams Street is closed to vehicular traffic, the Old Capitol Farmers Market has been relocated closer to the State Capitol, and retail businesses are experiencing the consequences. Krissy Prellwitz owns Itty Bitty Fashion Trunk at 403 E. Adams. She began with a fashion truck at the farmers market in 2015 and opened her current store in November 2017. Although her year-to-date sales for 2024 prior to the fire were trending up 5%, sales this July compared to last July are down 25%.

"The broader downtown is an ecosystem," said Prellwitz. "We all rely on each other, and any disruption has a ripple effect." Shoppers at the farmers market have always been an important part of Prellwitz's customer base, and moving the market even a couple blocks west has had an impact.

Pillsbury site artifacts were another casualty of the fire. They were temporarily housed in the building that burned after being turned into a contemporary art exhibit curated by Robert Mazrim with help from Moving Pillsbury Forward. Mazrim said the Pillsbury exhibit was a model for transitional use of unused space and how cultural and artistic creations can create a buzz, attract new faces to new places and help envision new opportunities.

Many irreplaceable records and objects were destroyed, but about 30% of the collection was pulled from the rubble. Mazrim said there is enough to reconstitute a future exhibit, but where the artifacts will end up is undetermined. For a city known for its history and historic sites, there is no single institution or organization whose responsibility it is to systematically preserve and showcase the tangible objects that tell the diverse stories of local history.

As for Café Moxo, Nickell's goal is to get the popular restaurant back into operation as

soon as possible, although it's too soon to have a concrete timeline. He speaks highly of owner Mark Forinash.

"Mark is a wonderful individual and businessman," said Nickell. Forinash is wellknown as a champion for downtown and has continued to keep his staff employed doing volunteer work at community organizations since the fire

"Cafe Moxo stands with downtown, as it's where our roots run deep and our heart beats just a bit stronger," said Forinash. He first started visiting Springfield about 20 years ago to find a location for his business concept and said he fell in love with the streetscape as well as the neighborhood feel. Forinash said he values the relationships he has built with other business owners, community leaders, tourists and residents. "We remain incredibly grateful for this outstanding community," he said.

Despite the current uncertainties, Forinash said he is not considering relocating his business

to the west side of Springfield. He said he remains committed to determining next steps to remain a vital part of the downtown community.

The July 26 Citizens Club meeting at the Hoogland Center for the Arts featured a panel discussion about the Adams Street fire with Nickell, Richmond, Elizabeth Wake and Tom Raymond. Wake owns The Wakery, a business adjacent to the fire-damaged buildings, while Tom Raymond had recently opened The Cats' Pyjamas Cat Café in the lower level of the building that caught fire. The Wakery closed temporarily due to loss of power and smoke damage and has now reopened. Raymond is in the process of relocating his business to 524 E. Capitol Ave.

The speakers told how the fire impacted their operations. Nickell described plans being developed to reimagine and reconfigure both indoor and outdoor spaces for Café Moxo. Businesses have come together to support each other. All are grateful for the outpouring of community support and the INB fund established to help those affected by the fire. Twelve residents, seven businesses and one nonprofit were awarded a total of \$15,750 in the initial disbursement made almost one month following the fire. A second and final round of funding is planned for early August. Alderwoman Lakeisha Purchase, who represents much of downtown and the area of the fire, told the Citizens Club it was inspiring to see businesses coming together to talk about solutions and what can be done as a united

Long-term opportunities and short-term challenges

Large-scale projects such as the Springfield Rail Improvements Project, which will relocate the Third Street railroad track and eventually allow that corridor to be redeveloped as a greenway, plus renovation of both the old and new Capitol buildings and the former armory building, have the potential for huge impacts to downtown and beyond. In the meantime, foot traffic is a challenge for downtown businesses. This has been exacerbated by the fire and relocating the farmers market several blocks further west.

Carlos Ortega, director of Downtown Springfield, Inc., says the intent is to move the farmers market back to its previous location on Fourth Street once demolition occurs, but there is currently no timetable for that.

Downtown foot traffic is also an issue for businesses beyond Adams Street. Nickell owns multiple buildings downtown and wants to see all of downtown thrive. His wish is for people to be as interested in all of the other downtown buildings that were not on fire.

Michael Higgins has operated Maldaner's restaurant on Sixth Street since 1982 and has seen a lot of changes over the years. The number of state employees working downtown on a daily basis has declined dramatically as



Joyce Nardulli, president of Citizens Club, introduces the panelists who spoke July 26 about the impact of the Adams Street fire. Left to right: Elizabeth Wake, owner of The Wakery; Chris Richmond, president of Moving Pillsbury Forward; Chris Nickell, downtown property owner; and Tom Raymond, owner of The Cats' Pyjamas.

multiple administrations have reduced the number of state employees, moved state jobs from Springfield to Chicago and relocated state offices out of downtown. In January, Maldaner's stopped serving lunch because Higgins said there wasn't enough foot traffic downtown. He said Veterans Parkway is his competition, as many Springfield residents eat and shop on the west side and don't venture downtown.

Higgins believes there is much potential for Springfield, and the key question is what will it take to bring that potential to fruition. He has observed other cities taking bold actions to impact the vibrancy of their communities.

"Springfield needs creative thinking, along with the financial commitment and leadership to bring to the surface our creative potential that has not yet been realized," Higgins said.

Out of the ashes

Kidzeum executive director Leah Wilson wrote an opinion piece for *Illinois Times* ("What a flood taught me about the fire on Adams Street," July 11) challenging Springfield to harness the opportunity inherent in a crisis, based on her experience with the 2008 devastating flood in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. That crisis became a catalyst that led to a vibrancy that had been fading for decades. She cites leadership, unity of vision, talented city planners and community co-creation for making this possible.

The fire on Adams Street is just one of many issues and challenges that, Wilson said, "has left us with a downtown that often feels forgotten. Becoming the city that we all dream of depends on a unified vision for our ambitious plans and

the audacity to see them through."

Wilson is an advocate for cities having a strong urban planning department with professional urban planners. Urban planners identify community needs and help guide both short and long-term development that addresses economic, social, environmental and other issues. That was key to the transformation in Cedar Rapids.

"One could argue that Wabash Avenue is the new Main Street of Springfield," said Wilson. "Meanwhile, our formerly robust downtown has become a fragile ecosystem that often seems to be teetering on the edge of extinction. A planning department with a tight grasp on the long-term vision for our city would bring expertise and resources that we need to correct that situation. Not that we should abandon Wabash – strip malls are convenient but I would argue that if we want to be a destination city with a memorable experience, urban planning is key to revitalizing our downtown core and better connecting it to our unique neighborhoods and historic sites."

A blueprint for the future

The Next 10 called for development of a downtown master plan. In response the city of Springfield, Community Foundation, Springfield-Sangamon Growth Alliance, Downtown Springfield, Inc. and Mid-Illinois Medical District joined forces to fund the development of an integrated master plan for the medical district and downtown. Houseal Lavigne, a Chicago-based urban planning and geospatial design firm, was selected to guide the process.

The coalition hosted a visioning workshop on May 18, 2023, to facilitate community input. Topics included: infill/redevelopment opportunities; vehicular transportation; bike/pedestrian connections; beautification; parks, open space, gathering areas, plazas; and signage.

Initially the plan was scheduled to be completed by the end of 2023. A draft has been developed but not yet released to the public, and that timing is up to the city. Mayor Misty Buscher told *Illinois Times* it is important for people to have the opportunity to provide input on the draft plan and that the plan is feasible to implement in phases. The city is in the process of scheduling the final community input meeting with Houseal Lavigne, along with presentations to the Citizens Club and City Council.

"We at the city understand that Downtown Springfield has never had a master plan, and we also appreciate the opportunity it affords development by including the Mid-Illinois Medical District boundaries," said Val Yazell, director of the city's Office of Planning and Economic Development. "Hundreds of our citizens weighed in on issues of concern and we have been carefully reviewing the draft as it could serve as the foundational planning document for the city center. We plan to finalize it with the consultants and release it to the public this fall."

Yazell also said the Mid-Illinois Medical District Act requires the establishment of an advisory council consisting of two representatives appointed by the mayor. The statute specifies the master plan shall not take

effect until it has been approved by the advisory council and the Springfield City Council. "The mayor has determined that we need a representative from the medical district and from the downtown area," said Yazell. "Two individuals have been approached, and we are awaiting their response to serve."

Meanwhile, many are awaiting the final version of the downtown master plan. "The Community Foundation is eager for the completion of the Downtown and Medical District Master Plan, which provides a great road map for the future," said John Stremsterfer, CFLL president and CEO.

Others echo the importance of having a plan around which people can unite. "Outside investment is frozen because we don't have a cohesive plan for downtown," said Chris Richmond, president of Moving Pillsbury

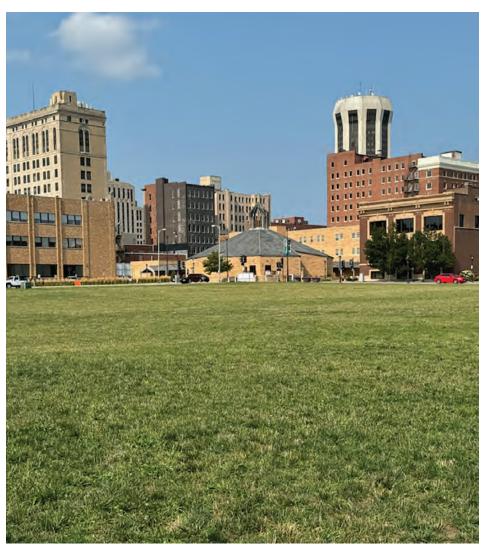
Ryan McCrady, president and CEO of the Springfield Sangamon Growth Alliance, said a master plan is important to help drive goals, show how the community has come together and can be taken to developers to spur private investment. As a former Decatur city manager, McCrady saw the benefits of a master plan in determining a long-term vision, tracking investments and showing what success looks like. "Master plans are not made to happen overnight," said McCrady.

Although the plan is not yet final, the city used the draft to apply for state funding from the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to improve streetscaping, fix sidewalks and curbs, upgrade lighting and landscaping and enhance wayfinding and pedestrian entrances. The city recently applied for \$1,987,305 from the Research in Illinois to Spur Economic Recovery (RISE) and Rebuild Downtown and Mainstreet Program (RDMS) grant programs.

Buscher told *Illinois Times* it is difficult to attract new businesses or redevelopment when the cost to rehabilitate buildings is unknown. She intends to explore additional funding, such as a brownfield grant, to assess empty downtown buildings and determine what issues need to be addressed – such as asbestos, lead paint or sprinklers – and what it would cost.

Given all the big issues on the horizon for Springfield – redevelopment of the North Mansion Block, Springfield Rail Improvements Project, Third Street Greenway, expansion of the BOS Center, national park designation of the 1908 Race Riot site and downtown hotel renovations – a common refrain over many years has been a call for a city planner. The concern is that in the absence of professional staff trained in urban planning, efforts are carried out in a piecemeal fashion.

The draft master plan for downtown calls for a full-time employee dedicated to implementation. Buscher says she doesn't disagree with having an urban planner, although



The current state budget appropriated \$4 million for "design, construction, improvements and other capital expenditures for the development of the Governor's Mansion block." PHOTO BY KAREN WITTER

the crux of everything is funding. Currently, a full-time position related to the downtown master plan is not budgeted. Yazell said the Office of Planning and Economic Development has already taken some steps outlined in the plan by rebuilding the office to be more responsive and effective and just last week posted a professional planner position.

The position description is to "develop, maintain and direct a comprehensive planning program for the city of Springfield." Qualifications include experience in business, public administration, planning or a related field. Yazell said there are many areas of Springfield that need attention, and this position is intended to help the city provide more indepth analysis and focused attention on these areas throughout the city.

State funding helps move major projects forward

Buscher is pleased that \$4 million was appropriated to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources in the current state budget

for "design, construction, improvements and other capital expenditures for the development of the Governor's Mansion block." Details are not yet available, but she said IDNR landscape architects are working on conceptual plans.

Buscher said she has worked to be nonpartisan as mayor, as evidenced by the people working in her administration, and has developed a good working relationship with Gov. JB Pritzker and his administration.

Relocation of the railroad tracks from Third Street to 10th Street as part of the Springfield Rail Improvements Project provides an opportunity for a linear greenway that will have a huge impact on downtown Springfield and beyond. Trains will be off the Third Street tracks by mid-2027, according to the current schedule. The proposed Third Street Greenway extends from the Wabash/Interurban Trail at Stanford Avenue to the Illinois State Fairgrounds along Sangamon Avenue.

Hanson Professional Services completed a Third Street Greenway Feasibility Report in March 2023 with input from a steering committee comprised of government agencies, elected officials and business and community leaders. The county contributed \$250,000 for the completion of the feasibility study. Sergio "Satch" Pecori, chair and CEO of Hanson, said there has been tremendous excitement among citizens about this opportunity.

"Our collective goal is to make sure we are ready to act on the Third Street Greenway when the trains are moved," said Pecori.

Mike Mendenhall is Hanson's project manager for the Springfield Rail Improvements Project and Third Street Greenway and has been working closely with the city of Springfield. The city is currently contributing \$250,000 to begin the Phase I preliminary engineering process. Hanson is also working with the city on outreach to property owners along the corridor as well as getting feedback from the fire and police departments to continue to refine feasibility plans. Mendenhall said he anticipates holding a public meeting later this fall or early winter to provide an update to the community.

"The No. 1 comment from the public has been, 'Don't just talk about it, get it done'," said Mendenhall. He said Hanson and the city are working together to keep the momentum going.

An environmental assessment is a critical next step. The state of Illinois included \$1.3 million for the Third Street Greenway in its most recent budget. Mendenhall said the additional money the city will receive from the state will allow the preliminary engineering process to continue and begin the environmental study for the Third Street Greenway.

Andrea Aggert, architect of the Capitol, served on the steering committee for the feasibility study. She sees the Third Street Greenway as a pivotal part of connecting downtown and the Capitol complex, which have often operated as two separate entities.

"The Third Street Greenway will break down those barriers and link east to west, from the state Capitol complex to the downtown city center," said Aggert. "The current and future planned projects on the Capitol complex, along with the Third Street Greenway improvements, will benefit downtown Springfield for residents and visitors. Coordinated wayfinding amongst all projects will provide linkages to sites of interest and promotion of local businesses."

Aggert is excited about what's happening. "We are stronger when we work together," she said. \square

Karen Ackerman Witter grew up in Springfield. She shopped downtown as a teenager, worked in the Capitol and other buildings in and around the Capitol complex during her 35-year state government career, and had her wedding rehearsal dinner at Maldaner's in 1979. She is a former associate director of the Illinois State Museum and past president of the Kidzeum board of directors.



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Potato pavé

Dish takes scalloped potatoes to a higher level

FOOD | Peter Glatz

The origin story of the potato goes back 7,000-10,000 years to the Andes mountain region of southern Peru and northwestern Bolivia. Spanish conquistadors encountered potatoes in Peru in 1536 and brought them back to Europe. Leave it to the gastronomic creativity of the French to transform this humble tuber into a decadent and delicious dish known as le pavé de pommes de terre or potato pavé.

A potato pavé is an elegant dish that's a more elaborate version of scalloped potatoes. Pavé is a French word meaning "paving stones." A potato pavé is made with thinly sliced potatoes cooked in butter and cream and then layered in a baking pan, cooled, weighted down, refrigerated, unmolded, trimmed into smaller portions and sautéed on the cut sides until golden brown. A pavé is soft and creamy on the inside and crispy and crunchy on the exterior. A potato pavé tastes great on its own or served as a side dish with any meat main course. When I worked at Minneapolis' Spoon and Stable restaurant, we served a potato pavé alongside a dry-aged ribeye, sauced with a black truffle vinaigrette. At Caprae, Prairie Fruits Farm and Creamery's farm-to-table restaurant in Champaign, we offer a potato pavé on our Sunday brunch menu, topped with caramelized onions, our own fresh goat cheese, chives and tobiko caviar.

Though it is somewhat labor intensive, much of the time is hands-off. I recommend starting the dish the day before you intend to serve it. Slice, bake, cool, weigh down the potatoes and store in the refrigerator until you are ready to serve. Then, brown each portion of potato pavé on the stovetop just before serving. The potato can be served hot or at room temperature.

A potato pavé should be made with a starchy potato, such as a russet or Idaho, because they bake well, are dry and hold their shape. Waxy potatoes such as Yukon Golds should be avoided because they contain less starch and you will need the starch to help the potato layers stick together. The potatoes shouldn't be soaked in water ahead of time; soaking will cause them to lose some of their starch, which also helps to keep the dish creamy.

It is important to slice the potatoes very thinly, about 1/16 of an inch. In restaurant kitchens, this is commonly done on a commercial meat slicer. In home kitchens, it's best to use an adjustable slicer known as a mandoline. I like using a Japanese Benriner mandoline, which sells for about \$40. It can



Prairie Fruits Farm and Creamery's potato pavé is topped with caramelized onions, fresh goat cheese, chives and tobiko caviar. PHOTO BY PETER GLATZ

slice potatoes up to 2 1/2 inches wide. If your potato is wider, you'll need to trim the sides to fit. A word of caution: Mandolines are notorious for slicing fingers. Be *extremely* careful when using one or invest in a pair of cut-resistant food-grade gloves. They sell for around \$10.

Potato pavé

This impressive layered potatoes-and-cream preparation makes an elegant brunch dish or side dish for dinner.

Serves: 4 side dishes or 8 appetizers

Ingredients:

1 cup heavy cream

4 tablespoons unsalted butter, plus more for greasing pan (softened)

Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper 3 pounds russet or Idaho potatoes Avocado, grapeseed or rice bran oil 2 fresh thyme sprigs for both frying and

2 cloves garlic, skin left on and smashed Minced fresh chives

Equipment needed: 8-inch by 8-inch baking pan Mandoline slicer

Preparation:

Before you begin, cut a piece of cardboard slightly smaller than the top of an 8-inch by 8-inch baking pan so that it will cover the top

of the pavé without resting on the sides of the pan. Wrap the cardboard with aluminum foil.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Pour cream and 4 tablespoons of butter into a large saucepan and season with 1 teaspoon salt and 1/2 teaspoon pepper. Warm the mixture over medium heat until the butter melts. Reduce heat to low to keep the mixture warm.

Peel the potatoes. With a knife, cut a thin lengthwise slice off one side of a potato so it will rest flat on the mandoline. Carefully slice the potatoes lengthwise into 1/16-inch slices, adding the slices to the cream/butter as you go. Toss the potato slices in the mixture occasionally to keep them from oxidizing. Repeat the process with the remaining potatoes.

Grease the 8-inch by 8-inch baking pan with some softened butter. Line the pan with parchment paper, leaving a 4-inch overhang on the sides. The overhangs will be cover for the potatoes as they cook and later will help remove the pavé from the baking pan. Brush the parchment paper with additional softened butter.

Place the slices in an even layer at the bottom of the pan; repeat the process to form a second layer. Press each layer down firmly to eliminate air pockets. Continue layering potatoes until the pan is filled.

Fold the sides of parchment paper over the potatoes. Cover the pan tightly with aluminum foil. This will allow the potatoes to steam as they bake. Transfer to the oven.

Bake until potatoes are completely tender when pierced with the tip of a sharp knife, about 1 hour and 45 minutes. If you have a kitchen thermometer, bake until the internal temperature reaches 180 degrees. Remove from the oven and cool for 15 minutes.

Place the foil-wrapped cardboard over the parchment-covered potatoes and press firmly down. Place some heavy cans or other weights on top of the cardboard. Refrigerate for at least six hours or up to two days.

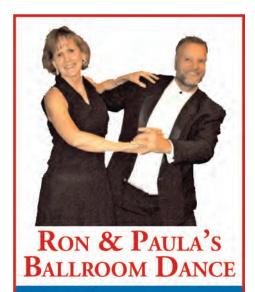
The next day, remove the weights and run an offset spatula between the parchment paper and pan to release. Lift the ends of the parchment to free the pavé from the pan and invert it onto a cutting board.

Trim a small slice from the four sides of the pavé and cut into eight equal pieces.

Let the pavé cool to room temperature for at least 30 minutes or refrigerate if preparing ahead.

Heat a large skillet over medium-high heat. Generously coat the pan with oil and add the thyme sprigs and garlic. When the oil is hot, add the pavé sections, with the cut side down. Remove the thyme or garlic before they burn; they are only used to flavor the oil. Sauté, basting with the oil, until golden brown and crispy, then turn and brown on the opposite side.

Plate the pavé pieces browned side up. Sprinkle with chives. Serve hot or at room temperature. □



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Breaking boundaries through laughter

Our Stage/Our Voices offers improv workshops for those with disabilities

THEATER | Courtney Wick

I showed up to a recent Capital City Improv workshop at the Hoogland Center for the Arts without realizing I would be a participant. I've never done improv before and hadn't planned on it. As a writer, I like to meticulously edit my work, then edit again, then stare at it with existential dread and edit one more time before putting out anything funny into the world. Improv is nerve-wracking for someone like me.

I am also a person with a hidden disability, which influences most of my daily decisions – definitely any regarding performing. Once it was clear I was participating in the group and not just writing about it, my heart rate escalated and every part of my body began to sweat, but I am an entertainer at heart. I persevered, had some good laughs and lived to write the tale.

Our Stage/Our Voices provides opportunities such as this one for artists who are part of historically underrepresented communities including BIPOC, LGBTQIA+ and persons with disabilities to address issues of inequality in the performing arts. Its objective is to achieve more diversity and inclusion in the regional art world.

Steve Sykes, the 2024-2025 artist-inresidence for the program, hopes to elevate the voices of and increase opportunities for the disabled community to enjoy and participate in theater. He partnered with Capital City Improv to develop this open platform improv workshop experience.

"It is a good way to dip a toe into the water of performing. Improv is a format that's really conducive to accessibility, plus it's fun," said Sykes.

CCI troupe member and Chatham Mayor Dave Kimsey helped to lead the workshop. He said the workshop for persons with disabilities is not that different than the regular CCI group.

"Improv is its own artform. So many improv tools and techniques translate well into everyday life – it helps with confidence, public speaking and creative problem-solving," he said. "The techniques are for everyone, but performance is not. Not everyone wants to perform."

The first improv game we played was titled "Five things," where group members have to come up with five made-up answers to a posed question. I was asked to create five new types of animals and managed to sputter a series of nonsense words then finish with "purple-spotted-turtle-monger." No matter how ridiculous the answers, they're met with a supportive "Yes!" from everyone in the circle. It is a game of quick thinking, encouragement



Clockwise from bottom left: Steve Sykes, Samuel Steere, Chris Terry, Tom Raymond, Carly Shank, Carla Wilson, Dave Kimsey and Megan Norlin participated in the first Our Stage/Our Voices improv workshop July 23 at the Hoogland Center for the Arts. PHOTO BY COURTNEY WICK

and camaraderie, like most improv.

Workshop attendee Megan Norlin, who shouted out my favorite name for a sandwich shop ever – Sloppy Seconds – during the Five Things game. has a solid background in improv.

"I had a college teacher who really believed in the power of improv. He felt everybody should study and take a class in it, even those

Registration is still open for the remaining improv workshops on Aug. 6, 13 and 20 at 6:30 p.m. Visit https://go.uis.edu/ ImprovRegister to sign up. A concluding event, in which attendees are encouraged to invite friends and family, will be held at the Hoogland Center for the Arts' Peggy Ryder Theatre on Friday, Aug. 30, at 6:30 p.m. The workshops and event are free to attend.

who aren't theatrical, because it makes you a better listener and quicker on your feet. He was really influential. I've done it off and on since then," said Norlin.

Not everyone was an old pro. Samuel Steere also attended the workshop and was new to both aspects of it. "I've come to the gradual realization that I am a person living with autism and didn't know it until recently," he said. "I wanted a better understanding experientially what accommodations can be made for differing disabilities, especially in the performing arts. And the bottom line is, I really wanted an opportunity to connect with people," Steere said.

The workshop ended with each of us giving an imaginary gift to one another, the caveat being it had to be the worst gift imaginable and the receiver had to act as if they would cherish it. Among the offerings were rusty buttons, half-eaten pizza slices and losing scratch-off

lottery tickets. As I handed over a frozen rat to attendee Tom Raymond, he beamed and declared he "couldn't wait to thaw it out!"

Despite my initial anxiety, the improv experience turned out to be surprisingly liberating. It's not about achieving perfection or even about being funny; it's about embracing authenticity and reveling in the absurdity of the present moment – much like navigating daily life with a disability. In that space, laughter became a powerful equalizer, momentarily obscuring our disabilities and uniting us through shared humor. With improv, everybody's story is valued, even those about purple-spotted turtle-mongers. \square

Courtney Wick is active in the area theater scene. Most recently, she wrote and directed the murdermystery comedy Nightmare at the Hot Mess Hair Salon, a follow-up to her previous production, Nightmare at the Sweet Dreams Inn.





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Moving into August, we wrap up the main summer events, survive another Illinois State Fair and look forward to fun fall festivals and early Oktoberfests while observing the holiday season in the cold distance. But let's not get in a hurry, and take the time to enjoy what's before us now. And that would be...

Thursdays again take the prize as overachieving live music night of the week. This one is bittersweet as it contains our final Levitt AMP concert for 2024. I think you'll agree with me on saying, oh, what a season it has been. Let's toss out our thankyous to all who helped make the event happen and look forward to next year's events with wondrous anticipation, knowing how good it can be and how it can be even better.

The final concert focuses on Latininfluenced music with opener Jose Gobbo Trio jazzing it up just dandy and Radio Free Honduras as the touring headliner doing "a cross cultural, multigenerational collaboration that exists to support the artistry of Honduran folk music legend Charlie Baran," if you didn't already know that. The Illinois Symphony Youth Orchestra kids and students from Copper Coin Ballet Company cover the other spots and you're all set and ready to go as long as you go there. And to add one more thing before you go, the city of Springfield is hosting a post-concert, big finale fireworks show starting at 9:30.

In other Thursday news, Michael Burnett lands at Casey's Pub patio, Rock & Roll Sisters take on the Curve Inn and James Tyler brings on the line dancing to live music at Motorheads, along with a couple of our regular weekly, inviting and entertaining open mics and karaoke nights.

On Friday, take the opportunity to enjoy the beautifully bucolic space at Bar Bella (behind Bella Boutique on West White Oaks Drive) and the wonderful music of Ella Gibson (5-8 p.m.). Also, congratulate Ms. Gibson on an upcoming move to attend the acclaimed Belmont University's School of Music in Nashville, Tennessee. For those of us who've watched Ella's progress as a performer and songwriter since she started playing around here as a teenager (pre-teen, even?), consider this the culmination of her lifelong dream and the beginning of a new chapter in a still early and very promising musical career.

In more Springfield -area music news, The Pleiades (Carter Kelso, Eli Trimpe,



Ella Gibson plays Bar Bella this Friday night, 5-8 p.m.

Josh Schuler, Koke Rutter and Jack Kelso) just released *How She Feels*, their first single out on all digital platforms and streaming services accompanied by a YouTube music video. Recorded at Al Sutton's Rust Belt Studios in Royal Oak, Michigan, the song carries on the mission of the band "to inspire, to share and to connect with those in all walks of life." So take a listen, spread the word and congratulate these guys on a job well done and for taking a big step forward into the wonderful world of making music

Since we haven't done our *Sangamon Songs: A Musical Play* since last year, I hope you don't mind me inviting you to the Salem on Seventh Theater on the square in Petersburg (the Terror on the Square building) this weekend. We're presenting the tale of young Harry Glen Ludlam, as adapted to the stage by John W. Arden, on Friday night at 7:30, then Saturday at 4 and Sunday at 3 p.m. Joining me are John Gifford Irwin as Harry, along with acoustic guitar accompaniment by Owen Thomas Irwin, plus Polly Launay on violin at the matinees. Hurrah, let's do nothing, then shuck some corn.

See you next week at the Illinois State Fair! $\hfill\square$

MUSIC

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

Aug 1

Rock & Roll Sisters Curve Inn, 6-9pm

Jackpot Karaoke with Debbie Cakes

Curve Inn, 7-11pm

Open mic with Bob Besser Decatur Brew Works, Decatur,

Michael Burnett Knights of Columbus Casey's Pub, 5-8pm

J.C.B. Entertainment Karaoke

La Fiesta Chatham, 6-10pm

James Tyler

Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment Complex, 6pm

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

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

Friday Aug 2

Casey Chesnutt with Caleb Atwood

The Backroom Lounge, Riverton,

J.C.B. Entertainment Karaoke Bald Buddha Brewing, 7-11pm

Ella Gibson

Bar Bella, 5-8pm

Friday Night Jazz & Blues -Jambalaya Jazz with Frank

Boone's, 5:30-7:30pm

Michael Burnett

Brookhills Golf Club, 7-9:30pm

Crowne Plaza Springfield, 6:30-10pm

Highway 615 Curve Inn, 6:30-10pm E5C4P3 - Escape - The

Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 8pm

Revel in Red

The Devon Lakeshore Amphitheater, Decatur, 7pm

Gianna Hines
Docs Just Off 66, Girard, 6-8pm

Trio DeGroove

Don's Place, Jacksonville, 8-10pm

Doubt, Lead Spirit, Rest Assured, Shroud, Carnal and **Meta-Statis** Dumb Records, 7pm

Stefan Huffman

Edmo's, Edinburg, 6-9pm

Joel Honey

El Taco Guapo at Lake Springfield Marina, 6-9pm

Karaoke

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

Harlem Hayfield

Golden Fox Brewing, Decatur, 7-10pm

Roger Whitsell

Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, 6-9pm

Ricarda Rosalina

La Fiesta Grande, 6-9pm

Emily Thorpe

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

White Lightnin'

Locals Bar, Pawnee, 6:30-9:30pm

After Sunset

Long Bridge Golf Course, 6:30pm

The Cocktails

Mowie's Cue, 7-10pm

EaZy PeTey

Oogie and JJ's Bar, Glenarm, 6-10pm

Jeff Berendt

Pease's at BUNN Gourmet, 5-7pm

Not Petty

The Railyard, 6-9pm

Dave Littrell and Jeff Cunningham

Sangamo Brewing Co., Chatham,

Star 6 Nine

7-10:30pm

The Blue Grouch, 6:30pm

Big Guy & The MOB Weebles Bar & Grill,

Journey Tribute

Ben Bedford plays Buzz Bomb Brewing Co. Saturday night. PHOTO BY NICKI GELL

Saturday

Aug 3

Jax Dion

1st and 3rd Boutique and Wine Bar, Petersburg, 3-6pm

Brandy Kristin Band

Auburn Town Square, Auburn, 8-11pm

The Rick Mari Band

The Blue Grouch Pub, 7-10pm

The Jonnie Concaroo Band Boone's 6nm

Ben Bedford
Buzz Bomb Brewing Co., 8-11pm

Broken Stone Curve Inn, 6pm

Thunderstruck: America's AC/ DC Tribute with Drew Cagle & The Reputation

Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 8pm

Silas Tockey Docs Just Off 66, Girard, 6-8pm

The Red Ribbon Revue

Harvest Market Farmhouse Brews, 6-9pm

Off the Wall

Locals Bar, Pawnee, 6-10pm Renegade Karaoke Northern Lights Lounge,

8:30pm-12:30am Long Way Home,

Bustin' Loose Palmer Park, Palmer, 3-10pm

Robert Kimbrough Sr. Pizza Records, Jacksonville, 7pm

TULO + EADS The Railyard, 6-9pm

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

Mississippi Leghound Sky Lounge, 7-10pm

Peaches and Bacon Stella Coffee & Tea, 10-11:30am

Hippies of the Heartland The Bean, Mechanicsburg, 7pm

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

West End Boogie Project VFW Post 99, Decatur, 7:30-10:30pm

Dance Monkey Weebles Bar & Grill, 5:30pm

Sunday

Aug 4

Robert Sampson Bar Bella, 1-4pm

Deep Lunar Blue Brookhills Golf Club, 3-6pm

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

Dopapod, The Motet, Tauk Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin, 8pm

Jet Trio

El Taco Guapo at Lake Springfield Marina, 1-4pm

The Tangents

Harvest Market Coffee Bar, 10am-1pm

Joel Honey Hill Prairie Winery, Oakford, 2-5pm

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

Big Guy's Digital Sound Experience

Lucky's on the Square, Petersburg, 3-6pm

William Marsala Pop's Place, Decatur, 3-6pm

Travis Ried

The Blue Grouch, 2-5pm **Colt Ball**

The Railyard, 1-4pm

John Drake The Range Bourbon & Brew. Chatham, 1-4pm

Keith Dunlap Slauterhouse Brewing Co., Auburn, 1-3pm

Dave Littrell

Springfield Elks Lodge #158, 4-7pm

Rogers and Nienhaus

Trails End Saloon, Curran, 3-7pm

Ethan Taylor Stephenson West of Wise Winery, Petersburg, 2-4pm

Monday

Aug 5

Polly O'Keary and The Rhythm Method

The Alamo, 7pm

Al Kitchen Fulgenzi's Pizza and Pasta.

Tuesday Aug 6

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

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

Karaoke

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

Karanke with **Debbie Cakes**

The Blue Grouch, 7-11pm

Wednesday

Aug 7

Open mic with Joel Honey and Silas Tockey

Karaoke

Clique, 9pm-1am

Boone's, 7-10pm

After School Special Coz's Pizza and Pub, 7:30pm

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

Me, Myself & Schy Obed and Isaac's, 6-8pm

Al Kitchen and friends Route 66 MotorHeads Bar & Grill, Museum & Entertainment

Complex, 6-9pm **Cory Brown**

The Dublin Pub, 5:30pm **Karaoke with Debbie Cakes** Weebles Bar & Grill, 7-11pm

Karaoke

Whiskey Jack's Sports Bar, 7:30-11:30pm



Rapunzel

Sunday, Aug. 3, 1 and 3 p.m. Hoogland Center for the Arts LRS Theatre 1 420 S. Sixth St. 217-523-2787

THEATER & COMEDY I Contemporary retelling of classic fairy tale sure to entertain

The Dance Arts Youth Company and Dance Arts Studio combine memorable music and dancing in this retelling of the famous German fairy tale first recorded by the Brothers Grimm. This version of the famous tale follows "the enchanting adventure of a lost princess as she discovers who she really is – all while standing up to deception, embracing a newfound freedom and learning to trust her inner strength," according to the Hoogland's website. Rapunzel is envisioned by DAYCO artistic director Gina DeCroix Russell and the company's dancers and staff. Reserved seating tickets cost \$15. Children ages 5 and younger get in for \$5.

■ Special Music Events

First Friday Concert Series

Fri., Aug. 2, 7pm. Directed by Mark Gifford, spicathedral.org. Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 524 E. Lawrence Ave., 217-522-3342.

Jason Boland

Fri., Aug. 2, 8:30pm. Jason Boland & the Stragglers are the leading ambassadors of the Oklahoma and Texas music movement. Over 25 years they have released 10 albums and sold more than 500,000 records. \$15-\$25. Boondocks, 2909 N. Dirksen Pkwy., 217-679-0145.

Radio Free Honduras

Thu., Aug. 1, 6-9:30pm. These Chicago musicians all support the Latin music artistry of Charlie Baran and bring this tremendous talent into the spotlight. Last show of the Levitt AMP Springfield Music Series this year. The Jose Gobbo Trio will open. Free. Y Block, north of the Governor's Mansion, 217-544-1723.

This Land is Your Land: Folk Songs of Woody Guthrie

Sun., Aug. 4, 1:30-3pm. "Fold songs of Woody Guthrie." Historian and storyteller, Bucky Halker will present a live music performance with spoken commentary, featuring songs by the legendary folk singer and songwriter Woody Guthrie. chmoorehomestead. org. Free. C.H. Moore Homestead DeWitt County Museum, Clinton, 219 E. Woodlawn St., 217-935-6066.

Two By Two

Sun., Aug. 4, 6pm. Part of the Concerts in the Park series hosted by the Pilot Club of Jacksonville. Bring lawn chairs and blankets to the Big Bandstand. Jacksonville Community Park, Jacksonville, 1201 S. Main, 217-243-5678.

■ Books & Authors

Book discussion

Sat., Aug. 3, 1-4pm. Nell Clay will discuss her three books: Expressions of Love, Life and Living, Exercising in the Spirit Volume I & II, and the printing process. Free. HodgePodge Heaven, White Oaks Mall, 2501 Wabash Ave., 217-801-1598.

■ Theater & Comedy

The Little Mermaid

Aug. 2-4 and Aug. 7-10. A young mermaid, Ariel, makes a deal with a sea witch to trade her beautiful voice for human legs so she can experience life on land and impress a prince, risking more than she realizes. themuni.org. \$12-\$22. Ages 5 and under free. The Muni, 815 E. Lake Dr., 217-793-MUNI.

Open mic comedy night

First Wednesday of every month, 6:30-8pm. Got jokes? Sign up for a five-minute comedy set at Pizza Records the first and third Wednesday of every month. Sign up starts at 6, and the show starts at 6:30. Come out and support local funny people. You'll never know who you'll see. Free. Pizza Records, Jacksonville, 59 E. Central Park Plaza, 217-2000896.

Sangamon Songs: A Musical

Fri., Aug. 2, 7:30pm, Sat., Aug. 3, 4pm and Sun., Aug. 4, 3pm. This folk/Americana musical written by singer-songwriter Tom Irwin 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 quitar and Polly Launay on violin. Tickets are available at the Crazy Daisy store (217-632-7089) in Petersburg. sangamon-songs. ticketleap.com. \$25. Salem on Seventh Theater, Petersburg, 119 S. Seventh St., 217-632-7089.

■ Dance

Friday Night Open Dancing

Fridays, 7-10pm. An evening of open dancing to a mix of music by the DJ. You can also bring your own music. Two step, West Coast Swing, East Coast Swing, cha-cha-cha, line dancing, ballroom styles, flow dancing. prairielanddanceclub.com. \$5. Prairie Land Dance Club, Illiopolis, 650 Matilda St., 217-413-8646.

Rapunzel

Sun., Aug. 4, 1, 3pm. A contemporary retelling of the classic fairytale presented by the Dance Arts Youth Company. hcfta. org. \$15. Hoogland Center for the Arts LRS Theatre 1, 420 S. Sixth St., 217-523-2787.

■ Art & Architecture

"All Things Animals"

Through Aug. 31. This exhibit by Jan Sorenson Hill, the featured artist in the library at Fair Hills Residence, focuses on animals. Open during business hours. Open to public. Fair Hills Residence, 2005 W. Lawrence Ave., 217-381-4043.

"Noir IV: Landmarks" community days

Wednesdays, Saturdays, 9am-12pm and Fridays, 5-7pm. Through Aug. 31. Explore this exhibition celebrating Black art and culture. Open through Labor Day weekend. Community days will take place from 9am to noon Wednesday and Saturday and 5 to 7pm Fridays. Children's activities will be offered on Wednesday and Saturday mornings. Family activities in the courtyard planned for Fridays. 217-782-5955. Free. Dana-Thomas House, 301 E. Lawrence Ave., 217-782-5955

Bonsai Society Pop-Up Exhibit

Fri., Aug. 2, 5:30-7:30pm. The Springfield Bonsai Society has collaborated with two dozen juried artists of the SAA Collective for a breathtaking featured pop-up exhibit. Bonsai and juried artist talk at 6pm. Free. SAA Collective Gallery, 105 N. Fifth St., 217-544-

■ Food & Drink

Chicken Fry

Sat., Aug. 3, 3-11pm. Club-cooked chicken dinners from 3 to 7pm. Child plates available. Burgers, hot dogs, ribeyes, livers and gizzards and drinks also on menu. X-KRUSH plays from 7 to 11pm. Carry-out option available. \$13. Anchor Boat Club, 407 E. Lake Shore Dr., 217-529-1174.

History Cooks: Mel-O-Cream

Fri., Aug. 2, 12pm. Chad Larson will share the history of this iconic Springfield establishment. Includes opportunity to decorate doughnuts. Ilcc.edu. Free. Lincoln Home National Historic Site, 413

S. Eighth St., 217-786-2200.

Old Capitol Farmers Market

Wednesdays, Saturdays, 8am-12:30pm. Through Oct. 26. Shop for fresh local produce, baked goods and products. Please note health guidelines will be followed. Sponsored by HSHS St. John's Hospital. Old Capitol Farmers Market, Fourth and Adams streets, 217-544-1723.

■ History

Edwards Place Guided Tours

Tuesdays-Saturdays, 1, 2pm. Through Dec. 21. A guided tour through the newly-restored first and second floors. See the authentic "Lincoln Courting Couch" from the parlor of the Ninian Edwards home where Abraham Lincoln and Mary Todd were married and a piano that was likely played at their wedding. springfieldart.org. Adults \$5, children 10 and younger free. Edwards Place, Springfield Art Association, 700 N. Fourth St., 217-523-2631.

Illinois at Guntown Thu., Aug. 1, 12-1pm. ALPLM Manuscripts Curator Christopher Schnell will explore letters, reminiscences and battlefield relics of Illinois soldiers who fought at the Battle of Brice's Crossroads. The relatively small battle played an important role in the Union success in Georgia. Attend in person or virtually. A part of Tales from the Vault. Free. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library, 112 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

■ Fairs & Festivals

Palmer Celebration

Sat., Aug. 3, 12pm. Family-friendly event featuring bags tournament, food, bounce houses and rides, tug of war, raffle and music by Long Way Home and Bustin' Loose. Palmer Park, Palmer, Sixth and Main streets, 217-526-3412.

Powerlight Abe Lincoln Car Show Spectacular

Sat., Aug. 3, 8am-4pm. Annual car show. Cruise night at 6pm Friday starting at Horace Mann Parking Lot and traveling to Cherry Hills Church. Meet Back to the Future star Claudia Wells. Event includes car judging in 60-plus classes, trophies, helicopter and vintage aircraft demo and more. Free to attend. Cherry Hills Baptist Church, 2125 Woodside Road, 217-553-5271.

Last Call Before Fall Picnic

Sat., Aug. 3, noon — 11pm. Family-friendly community picnic featuring food and beverages, children's activities from noon to 5pm, bags tournament and live music by the Brandy Kristin Band. Presented by the Auburn Activities Committee. Auburn Town Square.

■ Fundraisers and Galas

Tablescapes Celebration

Fri., Aug. 2, 12-4pm and Sat., Aug. 3. 11am-5pm. Explore the increasingly popular art of table setting at this exhibit of more than 30 unique settings. Includes silent auction. \$10, students are free. LLCC Trutter Center, 5250 Shepherd Road, 217-899-3283.

■ Children's Corner

Back to School Bash

Sat., Aug. 3, 9am-1pm. A funfilled, hands-on day of games and learning. Includes free haircuts for students, storytime, hands-on activities, face painting and more including special visits from first responders. Children can explore a firetruck, police car and ambulance. Hosted by the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum. In case of rain, activities will move to the presidential library. Free. Union Square Park, 212 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844

Kids Fare Garden Club

Mondays, 10-11am. Through Aug. 5. This gardening club for school-aged children will be taught by Alana Reynolds. Children will help manage three raised beds in the Enos Park Neighborhood Garden. Drop-ins are welcome, enosparkgardens. org. Free. Enos Park Neighborhood Garden, 1022 N. Fifth St., 217-610-0720.

Sensory-Friendly Visit Times

First Sunday of every month, 9-11am. Through Dec. 1. Lights and noises are turned down to make the museum more comfortable for visitors with sensory differences so they can explore and discover the galleries at their own pace. Headphones are available for loan. kidzeum.org. Admission. Kidzeum of Health and Science Children's Museum, 412 E. Adams St., 217-971-4435.

■ Nature, Science & **Environment**

Central Illinois Daylily Society Plant Sale

Sat., Aug. 3, 12-3pm. Different sizes, colors and forms will be available. Members will be

happy to give growing tips and help. Proceeds benefit society. Free. Washington Park Botanical Garden Exhibit Hall, 1740 W. Fayette Ave., 217-546-4116.

Night Sky Event

Tue., Aug. 6, 8-9:30pm. See the wonders of the night sky with the help of the Sangamon Astronomical Society. SAS will bring the telescopes, you bring a chair or blanket. Rain date is Aug. 8. Free. Williamsville Public Library and Museum, Williamsville, 217 N. Elm St., 217-566-3520.

Springfield Civic Garden Club

Mon., Aug. 5, 9:30am. Nancy Sweet Christie will present "Seed Saving: Opportunities and Challenges," about the increasingly popular practice of seed saving. The public is welcome. Program begins after 9:30am meeting. Free Westminster Presbyterian Church, 533 S. Walnut St., 217-899-3283.

■ Bulletin Board

Al-Anon District 19 of Greater Springfield

Mondays-Saturdays. Ten meetings are held in the local area each week. Five are inperson and four are hybrid of in-person and via Zoom. One meeting is Zoom only. Visit spi-alanon.weebly.com or call for more information. Various locations, Springfield, 217-891-

Cat adoptions

First Saturday of every month, 12-3pm. Forever Home Feline Ranch will have cats available for adoption. Opportunities are also available for fostering and volunteering. Donations welcome. Ace Hardware, 1600 Wabash Ave., 217-787-5100.

GriefShare 13-week Support/ Recovery Program

Tuesdays, 6-8pm. Through Aug. 27. Grief support group for people dealing with the death of a family member or friend. Over 13 weeks, participants find relief and comfort as they learn what to expect in the days ahead and how to navigate their personal grief process. Pre-registration is requested but there is no charge to attend. Call or email for more information. trinity-lutheran.com. Free. Trinity Lutheran School, 515 S. MacArthur Blvd., 217-899-

Illinois Product Farmers

Thursdays, 3:30-7pm. Through

Sep. 26. Local meats, produce, dairy products, baked goods. honey and jams, craft beers, woodworking, jewelry and more. Plus live entertainment and a food truck. agr.illinois.gov. Illinois State Fairgrounds, The Shed, 801 Sangamon Ave., 217-524-9129.

Lincoln Land Depression Era Glass & Pottery club

Mon., Aug. 5, 2-4pm. Learn more about Depression-era glass. Informative lectures and show and tell time. Blue glass will be the feature this month. Free. Hope Presbyterian Church, 2211 Wabash Ave., 217-529-3055.

Moonlight Market

First Wednesday of every month, 6-9pm. Through Sep. 4. Annual outdoor event features 20 to 30 artisans from central Illinois Jackson Street, Between Sixth and Seventh streets.

Nar-Anon Family Group

Thursdays, 6pm. A 12-step support group for those dealing with an addiction problem of a family member or friend. Call for more info. Leave message if no answer. Free, Laurel United Methodist Church, 631 S. Grand Ave. W., 217-891-5565.

Route 66 Mingle on the Square

First Saturday of every month, 10am-6pm. Through Oct. 5. A bustling market featuring an array of vendors such as thrift stores, unique furniture boutiques, bookshops and crystal stores, plus local eats. See the Facebook event for more information. Virden Square, Virden, Downtown.

Savvy Caregivers

Mon., July 15, 1-3pm. A six-week course to assist caregivers of dementia patients in meeting their needs as a caregiver, and provide caregivers with new coping skills and easy-tounderstand information, skills and strategies to deal more effectively with the demands of dementia caregiving. Register by July 10. Call 217-503-4643 to register. Free. Senior Services of Central Illinois, 701 W. Mason St., 217-528-4035.

Awards Ceremony and Barbecue

Sat., Aug. 3, 11am-3pm. A day of celebration as Motherland **Gardens Community Project** volunteers, students and partners are recognized for their contributions and achievements. Four hundred pounds of food will be given away. Motherland Gardens Community Project, 815 S. 15th St., 217-900-0876.

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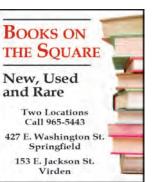
(IN SPRINGFIELD) Classes held at Dance Creations Dance Studio, Inc. at 1401 E. Cottonwood Street uesdays, Aug 13 - Sept 17, 2024

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Janitorial Services needed for the Springfield Housing Authority

The Springfield Housing Authority (SHA) has posted RFP 2024-05 and is soliciting proposals from qualified contractors and/or individuals for weekly Janitorial Services at properties owned and/or managed by the SHA. Hard copies of the RFP may be obtained at no cost from the SHA's Office located at 200 North Eleventh Street, Springfield, IL 62703, from Robb Stark, Procurement Specialist, or may be downloaded from the Housing Agency Marketplace website at https://bit.ly/sha-eprocurement.

Legal Deadline, Thursdays at 4pm **Call Daron at** 217-679-7801 or email legals@illinoistimes.com



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Real Estate Foreclosure

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, **PLAINTIFF** DAVID W SEMON. DEFENDANTS Case No.: 2023FC000217 Property Address: 226 W Flliott Ave Springfield, IL 62702 NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is given that pursuant to the Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause on May 15 2024, the Sangamon County Sheriff will on August 27, 2024, at 09:00 AM at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. 9th Street 2nd floor in the County Board Room Springfield II 62701 sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate: P.I.N. 14-28.0-229-014 COMMON ADDRESS: 226 W Elliott Ave, Sprinafield, IL 62702 Terms of all sales are ten percent (10%) of the opening bid Failure to pay the remaining balance within the twenty-four

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 a Single Family Home and will NOT be open for

(24) hours shall result in the forfeiture of

the ten percent (10%) down payment. No

inspection. The entered judgment amount was \$24,898.61

For information call Plaintiff's Attorney, Kluever Law Group, LLC, 200 N LaSalle St, Suite 1880, Chicago, IL 60601. 312-236-0077. SMS000996-23FC1

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, PLAINTIFF. VS. TONI A MERCHANT A/K/A TONI MERCHANT: UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS NO. 22 FC 000040 1113 NORTH WESLEY STREET SPRING-FIELD. IL 62702 JUDGÉ PRESIDING JUDGE NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDG-MENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLO-SURE ACT PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on June 8, 2022, will on August 27, 2024, in the Sangamon South Auditorium #1 Copley Plaza (Old SJR Building) 1st Floor, Springfield, IL 62701, at 9:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment: TAX NO. 14-25.0-104-006 & 14-25.0-COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1113 North Wesley Street Springfield, IL 62702 Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has a

morton type building garage. The garage is detached. The exterior is vinyl siding. The color is tan. The property has a fence The property is occupied. Fence has damage to it

The Judgment amount was \$81,221.14. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

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

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

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSES-SION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

FORECLOSURE LAW.
FOR Information: Visit our website at http://
ilforeclosuresales.mrplic.com.
Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla
Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's
Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200,
Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 3469088. Please refer to file# 22-08818IL
PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S
ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT
COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT
A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE
USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale. 13248353

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT —SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS CMG MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff.

vs. SEAN STILLMANK; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendant(s).

Defendant(s).
CASE NO. 2024FC000009
Property Address: 3721 Sangamo Heights
Lane Springfield, IL 62702
NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE
Public notice is hereby given that in

pursuance of a judgment of said Court entered in the above-entitled cause on June 12, 2024, I, Sheriff Jack Campbell of Sangamon County, Illinois, will hold a sale on August 27, 2024, commencing at 9:00AM, at the Sangamon County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701 ROOM TBA, 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: 3721 Sangamo

P.I.N.: 14-11.0-327-036 First Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$114,845.55 IN ACCORDANCE WITH 735 ILCS 5/15-

Heights Lane, Springfield, IL 62702

1507(c)(1)(H-1) AND (H-2), 765 ILCS 605/9(G)(5), AND 765 ILCS 605/18.5(q-1), YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE PURCHASER OF THE PROPERTY OTHER THAN A MORTGAGEE, SHALL PAY THE AS-SESSMENTS AND LEGAL FEES REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS (a)(1) AND (a)(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 II 60563 (630) 453-6960 midwestpleadings@dallegal.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC Plaintiff.

WILLIAM P. BUTCHER, SPECIAL REP-RESENTATIVE FOR JAMES R. LENHART (DECEASED), CAROL L. LENHART, CINDY L. HEISERMAN A/K/A CINDY LENHART, JAMES DAVIS LENHART A/K/A JIMMY LENHART, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGA-TEES OF JAMES R. LENHART, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendant 2022 FC 000148

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure
and Sale entered in the above cause on
May 15, 2024, an agent for The Judicial
Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on August 14, 2024, at the Do Realty Services,
600 S 6th Street, SPRINGFIELD, IL, 62701,
sell at a public sale to the highest bidder,
as set forth below, the following described
real estate:

Commonly known as 506 S KENNEDY AVENUE, AUBURN, IL 62615 Property Index No. 34-10.0-405-006 The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$142,062.38. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assess ments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by 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 SEMANLIN DOSCESSION FOR 20 DAYS

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

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

For information, contact Alexander Potestivo, POTESTIVO & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 223 WEST JACKSON BLVD, STE 610, Chicago, IL, 60606 (312) 263-0003. Please refer to file number 315256.

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. POTESTIVO & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 223 WEST JACKSON BLVD, STE 610 Chicago IL, 60606 312-263-0003

E-Mail: ilpleadings@potestivolaw.com Attorney File No. 315256 Case Number: 2022 FC 000148 T.ISC#: 44-1703

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 # 2022 FC 000148 I3248226

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, PLAINTIFF,

SCOTT ARCHIONE A/K/A SCOTT M
ARCHIONE A/K/A SCOTT ARCHONE A/K/A
SCOTT W ARCHIONE A/K/A ACHIONE
SCOTT W; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,
DEFENDANTS

NO. 23 FC 000216 620 WEST VINE STREET SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDG-MENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLO-

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on June 12, 2024, will on August 27, 2024, in the Sangamon South Auditorium #1 Copley Plaza (Old SJR Building) 1st Floor, Springfield, IL 62701, at 9:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment: TAX NO. 14-33.0-380-010

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 620 West Vine Street

Street
Springfield, IL 62704
Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has a one car garage. The garage is detached. The exterior is brick. The color is brown. The

property has a fence. The property is occupied.

The Judgment amount was \$144,644.84. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

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

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

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. If this property is a condominium unit. the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(q)(1) and (q)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER). YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSES-SION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For Information: Visit our website at http://
ilforeclosuresales.mrpllc.com.
Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla
Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's
Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200,
Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 3469088. Please refer to file# 23-16982IL
PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S
ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT
COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT
A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE
USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
Plaintiff's attorney is not required to
provide additional information other than

that set forth in this notice of sale.

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NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS HEARTLAND CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff. PENNY JACKSON. Defendant. CASE NO. 24-FC-2 PROPERTY ADDRESS: SPRINGFIELD II 62704 PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on April 17, 2024, the following described real estate to-wit-

on April 17, 2024, the following described real estate, to-wit: Permanent Index Number: 22-04.0-232-014
Commonly known as: 209 E Spruce St., Springfield, IL 62704
will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on August 27, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the the Auditorium on the 2nd Floor, 300 South 9th St, Springfield, Illinois. The Judgment amount is \$76,360.36. The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 the 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 shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719

The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if anv. of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. 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 the sale is not confirmed for any reason the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. 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.

Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. HEARTLAND CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff.

Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549) HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Attorneys at Law P.O. Box 740 Decatur, IL 62525 Send Notice/Pleadings to: Veronika J. Miles (#6313161)

Of Heavner, Bevers & Mihlar, LLC

Email: Non-CookPleadings@hsbattys.com Telephone: (217) 422-1719 Facsimile: (217) 422-1754

NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, COUNTY OF SAN-GAMON SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY,

WILLIAMSVILLE STATE BANK & TRUST, Plaintiff.

DAMIAN Z BLACKMAN AKA DAMIAN BLACKMAN, ANGELA R BLACKMAN AKA ANGELA BLACKMAN AND DISCOVER BANK

CASE NO. 24-FC-6 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 316 E. MAIN ST. WILLIAMSVILLE, IL 62693

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on April 3, 2024, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Permanent Index Number: 07-04.0-426-005 aka 07-04-426-005 Commonly known as: 316 E. Main St., Williamsville, IL 62693

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on September 3, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the the Auditorium on the 2nd Floor 300 South 9th St, Springfield, Illinois. The Judgment amount is \$80,589.72. The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by

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

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

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719

The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the

assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. 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 the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgage or the Mortgage's attorney. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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Nam M. Beavers (#6335549), Its Attorney
Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC
Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549)
HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC
Attorneys at Law
P.O. Box 740
Decatur, IL 62525
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NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF SANGAMON
SPRINGFIELD. SANGAMON COUNTY.

Facsimile: (217) 422-1754

ILLINOIS SECURITY BANK, Plaintiff,

VS.
JERAD WOOSLEY, NATHANIA WOOSLEY,
PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES,
LLC, BANK & TRUST COMPANY AND RICK
VERTICCHIO,
Defondants

Defendants.
CASE NO. 23-FC-112
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on September 27, 2023, the following described real estate, to-wit:
Permanent Index Number: 16-31.0-400-029 aka 16-31-400-029
Commonly known as: 698 S. Tower Rd.,

Dawson, ÍL 62520 will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on September 3, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the the Auditorium on the 2nd Floor, 300 South 9th St, Springfield, Illinois. The Judgment amount is \$305,634.48. The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

family residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 the 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 shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719

The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. 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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Plaintiff,
Veronika J. Miles (#6313161), Its Attorney
Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC
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PUBLIC NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of KURT A. KABAT. Deceased. IN PROBATE No. 2024-PR-295 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Kurt A. Kabat. Deceased Letters of Office were issued on July 22, 2024, to Jeffrey N. Call as Executor Under Independent Administration, 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 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 12th day of February, 2025, 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 Dated this 25th day of July, 2024 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

CI AIM NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN RE THE ESTATE OF: WILLIAM L. GRANT, a/k/a/, WILLIE L. GRANT, Deceased CASE NO: 2024PR283 Notice is given of the death of William L. Grant, a/k/a, Willie L. Grant. Letters Testamentary were issued on July 16, 2024 to William Lee Grant II, as Independent Executor, and whose address is: 901 Wythe Road Springfield Illinois 62704 Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of Circuit Court. Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the Executor, or both, on or before February 1, 2025, or three months from the date the Executor 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 Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Executor within 10 days after it has been filed. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act (IL. Rev. Stat. Ch. 110 1/2 Sec. 28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk. You may obtain a copy of a form of a petition to terminate independent administration from the clerk of court at the above address. Dated this 25th day of July, 2025. Executor of said

bclark@bhslaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF JOSEPH GERALD DEBACKERE, DECEASED. NO. 2024-PR-000275 IN PROBATE NOTICE OF DEATH INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION, AND CLAIM DATE

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of Joseph Gerald DeBackere, of Cantrall, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on July 9, 2024, to Matthew A. DeBackere, 512 Five Forks Drive, Springfield, IL 62711, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Elvis C. Cameron, 2058 N. Main St., Anna, Illinois. Within 42 days after the effective date of

Within 42 days after the effective date of the original Order of admission, you may file a petition with the Court to require proof of the Will by testimony of the witnesses in open Court or other evidence, as provided by Section 5/6-21 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/6-21.)

You also have the right, under Section 5/8-1 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/8-1), to contest the validity of the Will by filing a petition with the Court within six (6) months after admission of the Will to probate.

The estate will be administered without Court supervision unless, under Section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act (III. Compiled Stat. 1992, Ch. 755, Par. 5/28-4), any interested person terminates Independent Administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk of this Court.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. 9th St., Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before January 29, 2025, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Executor is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act of the State of Illinois, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the Executor and to the attorneys within ten (10) days after it has been filed. Dated: July 24, 2024.

MATTHEW A. DeBACKERE
CAMERON LAW FIRM, LLC
ELVIS C. CAMERON
ATTORNEY FOR INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR
205B N. MAIN ST.
ANNA, ILLINOIS 62906
PHONE: 618-833-2220
ARDC# 6244394

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS Estate of: BERNARD LEE MORRIS, Deceased. NO. 2024-PR-269 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of Bernard Lee Morris of Sangamon County, Illinois, Letters of Office were issued on July 23, 2024, to David Morris, 6432 Spaulding Orchard Rd., New Berlin, Illinois 62670, 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 January 30, 2025, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed Dated this 23rd day of July, 2024.

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 PEGGY A. OFFER, Deceased DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE NO. 2024-PR-290 Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of PEGGY A. OFFER, Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on July 18, 2024, to Randy Offer, 12 Carlsbad Court, Springfield, IL 62712, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Alex B. Rabin, Sgro. Hanrahan, Durr. Rabin & Reinbold, LLP, 1119 S. Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Representative, or both, on or before January 19, 2025 or six (6) months from the date the Representative mailed or delivered a Notice to Creditor, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated this 22nd day of July, 2024. Alex B. Rabin Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin, & Reinbold, 1119 S. Sixth Street Springfield, IL 62703

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF: E. IMOGENE GEORGE, Deceased CASE NO. 2024PR262

217-789-1200

CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of Evelyn
Imogene George, Letters of Office were issued on July 18, 2024 to Craig L. George,
4888 State Rt 97, Pleasant Plains, IL as
Independent Executive whose attorney
is Donald M. Craven, 1005 N. 7th Street,
Springfield, IL, 62702.

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

/s/ Donald M. Craven
Donald M. Craven (#6180492)
Attorney for Independent Executor
Craven & Craven, P.C.
1005 North Seventh Street
Springfield, IL 62702
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY,
ILLINOIS
IN THE ESTATE OF:
MARY J. RUNDLE,
Deceased.
Case No.: 2024-PR-258
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF WILL AND

CLAIMS

Notice is hereby given of the death of Mary J. Rundle. Letters of Office were issued. The name and address of the Co-Administrators is Pamela J. Rundle, 1040 West Woodland Ave., Springfield, Illinois, 62704, and William D. Rundle, 5520 W. State Rd., Anderson, Indiana, 46011. James Ackerman is counsel for the Co-Administrator, Pamela J. Rundle. 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 February 16, 2025. Any claim not filed on or before February 16, 2025, is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. Dated this 16th day of July, 2024. Pamela J. Rundle, Co-Administrator William D. Rundle, Co-Administrator By: /s/ James W. Ackerman James W. Ackerman, Attorney for Pamela J. Rundle PREPARED BY: James W. Ackerman 06192795 ACKERMAN I AW 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 PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SAMUEL J. FALZONE. DECEASED Case #2024-PR-293 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of SAMUEL J. FALZONE. Letters of Office have been issued to RUSSELL EDWARD HAYES JR 4121 Kinley Court, Nashville, TN 37221, 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, Spring field, IL 62701, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before January 31, 2025, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Independent Executor and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated this 17th day of July, 2024. 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 SANGAMON COUNTY ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WANDA ANN LASCODY, Deceased NO. 2024PR000276 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of Wanda Ann Lascody, Deceased. Letters of Office were issued on July 9, 2024, to Melinda J. Sloan, whose address is 4507 Old Route 36, Springfield, IL 62707, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Gregory P. Sgro, 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 21st day of January, 2025, 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 July, 2024. Gregory P. Sgro Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr, Rabin & Reinbold, LLP 1119 S. Sixth Street Springfield, IL 62703 (217) 789-1200

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BEVERLY A. BAUER, DECEASED Case #2024-PR-285 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of BEVERLY A. BAUER. Letters of Office have been issued to CURT W. MOFFITT, 3717 Wexford Drive, 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 January 24, 2025, 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 July, 2024. Patrick J. Sheehan SHEEHAN & SHEEHAN, LAWYERS, P.C. 1215 South 4th Street Springfield, IL 62703

(217) 544-0701

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION ROBERT J. NELSON Deceased Case No. 2024 PR 286 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of ROBERT J. NELSON. Letters of office were issued on July 10, 2024 to MARY JO DAVENPORT, whose post office address is 1150 Boones Creek Rd., Jonesborough, TN 37659, as INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR of the will of ROBERT J. NELSON, deceased, and whose attorney is David Patrick Hall, Attorney at Law, 611 E. Monroe Street, Suite 200, Springfield, IL 62701. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court. Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth St., Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative of the estate, or both. within six 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 10 days after it has been filed Dated this 10th day of July, 2024

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH

Springfield, Illinois 62701 Telephone: (217) 210-7200 davehall@motion.net Registration No. 6225105

611 F Monroe Street Suite 200

David Patrick Hall

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

Attorney for the Estate of Robert J. Nelson,

SHARON M. CRAWFORD. Deceased. Case No. 2024 PR 277 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of SHARON M. CRAWFORD. Letters of Office were issued on July 9, 2024, to LORI A. CHRISTINE of 3002 Sandgate Road Springfield, Illinois 62702 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 9th day of July, 2024. James R. Enlow (#6199891) GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL Attorneys at Law 1231 South Eighth Street Springfield, IL 62703 Telephone: (217) 522-9010 Facsimile: (217) 522-9020

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the estate of: Daniel D. McNeill, Deceased Case No. 2024-PR-000252 Claim Notice Notice is given of the death of Daniel D. McNeill. Letters of Administration were issued on June 24, 2024 to Cathy Scaife and Tim McNeill as Administrators 205 Grindstone Road, Chatham, IL 62629. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62702, or with the Administrators, on or before, Jan. 18, 2025. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Administrators within 10 days after it has been filed. Joseph B. Roesch Clerk of the Circuit Court

Email: jim@gwspc.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAI CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF: RICHARD R METCALF Deceased No 2024PR268 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given to claimants of the Estate of RICHARD R METCALF. Deceased. Letters Testamentary were issued on July 9. 2024. to MARSHALL ROBERT METCALE as Executor, whose attorney is David O. Edwards, Edwards Group LLC, 3223 S. Meadowbrook Road, Suite A. Springfield IL 62711. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, 200 S 9th St, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Representative, or both, on or before January 21, 2025, 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 July 9, 2024. EDWARDS GROUP LLC David O. Edwards – 6229192 Brandon L. Akers - 6343130 Katherine E. Perry - 6309676 3223 S. Meadowbrook Road, Suite A Sprinafield, Illinois 62711

(217) 726-9200

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH SANGAMON COUNTY ILLINOIS PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES D. HOSKINS, SR., DECEASED Case #2024-PR-278 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of JAMES D. HOSKINS, SR. Letters of Office have been issued to MARGO L. CRAWFORD, 1929 E. Lawrence Ave., Springfield, IL 62703, 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 January 22, 2025, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Circuit Clerk must he mailed or delivered to the Independent Administrator and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated this 8th day of July, 2024 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 PROBATE DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILMA L. HULEN, DECEASED Case #2024-PR-256 DEATH & CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of WILMA L. HULEN. Letters of Office have been issued to AMBER LEIGH MANN, 1521 SW Trail Ridge Dr. Blue Springs MO 64015 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 January 22, 2025, 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 8th day of July, 2024 William P. Sheehan SHEEHAN & SHEEHAN, LAWYERS, P.C. 1215 South 4th Street Springfield II 62703 (217) 544-0701

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In Re the Estate of: LAURA J. RHOADES, Deceased. No. 2024-PR-279 CLAIM NOTICE NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of LAURA J. RHOADES, of Sangamon County, IIlinois. Letters of Office were issued on July 8, 2024, to WENDI BRINCKEN, as Independent Executor, whose address is 1406 Holmes Ave., Springfield, IL 62704, and whose attorney of record is William D. Reid, Elmore & Reid, 808 South Second Street, Springfield, IL 62704. The Estate will be administered without Court supervision, unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to

terminate to the Clerk.
Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of Sangamon County, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, within six months from the date of issuance of Letters, and any claim not filed within that period is barred.
WENDI BRINCKEN
Independent Executor
ELMORE & REID
Attorneys At Law
808 South 2nd Street
Springfield, IL 62704
217/523-2340

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY Re: the marriage of Jasmin Baker, Petitioner Sherman L. Baker, Respondent Case No. 2024-DN-000118 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION Notice is given you, Sherman L. Baker, Respondent herein, that this cause has been commenced against you in this court asking for a dissolution of marriage and other relief. Unless you file your response or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, in Springfield, Illinois on or before the 1st day September, 2024. a judgment of dissolution of marriage and other relief may be granted as prayed for Joseph B. Roesch Circuit Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY Re: the marriage of Ta'tanna Jackson, Petitioner And Pierre Jackson Sr., Respondent Case No. 2024-DC-000141 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION Notice is given you, Pierre Jackson Sr., Respondent herein, that this cause has been commenced against you in this court asking for a dissolution of marriage and other relief. Unless you file your response or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, in Springfield, Illinois on or before the 25th day August, 2024, a judgment of dissolution of marriage and other relief may be granted as prayed for in the Petition Joseph B. Roesch Circuit Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY Re: the marriage of Robert Henry Robinson, Petitioner Angela Kay Robinson, Respondent Case No. 2024-DC-000162 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION Notice is given you, Angela Kay Robinson, Respondent herein, that this cause has been commenced against you in this court asking for a dissolution of marriage and other relief. Unless you file your response or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, in Springfield, Illinois on or before the 18th day August, 2024, a judgment of dissolution of marriage and other relief may be granted as prayed for in the Petition Joseph B. Roesch Circuit Clerk

ADOPTION NOTICE – STATE OF ILLINOIS, County of Sangamon, Seventh Judicial Circuit Court of Sangamon County. In the matter of the Petition for the Adoption of Benjamin Gideon LaVigne, a male child. Adoption No. 2022-AD-77. To Mark Allen LaVigne, Unknown Fathers and All Whom It May Concern: Take notice that a petition was filed in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County. Illinois, for the adoption of a child named Benjamin Gideon LaVigne. Now, therefore, unless you Mark Allen LaVigne, Unknown Fathers and All Whom It May Concern, file your answer to the Petition in the action or otherwise file your appearance therein, in the said Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Room 405, in the City of Springfield, Illinois, on or before the 25th day of August, 2024, a default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Petition. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/serviceproviders.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http:// www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAO/ gethelp.asp /s/Joseph Roesch, Sangamon County Circuit Clerk Dan E. Way, Attorney for Petitioner 1100 S. Fifth St., Springfield, IL 62703

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Jace Joseph McNamara Schwab For change of name to Jace Joseph McNamara Underfanger Case No. 2024-MR-000266 Public Notice is hereby given that on Sept. 24, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Jace Joseph McNamara Schwab to Jace Joseph McNamara Underfanger pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: Aug. 1, 2024

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Dravon Kelly Neal For change of name to Makayla Lomelino Kroenlein Case No. 2024-MR-000250 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on Sept. 24, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Dravon Kelly Neal to Makayla Lomelino Kroenlein pursuant to the staute in such case made and provided.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAI CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of Rvan Michael Wines For change of name to Rvan Michael Welchel Case No. 2024-MR-000233 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on Sept. 17, 2024 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from Ryan Michael Wines to Ryan Michael Welchel pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: July 25, 2024

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

DAVID W SEMON DEFENDANTS Case No.: 2023FC000217 Property Address: 226 W Élliott Ave Springfield, IL 62702 NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is given that pursuant to the Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause on May 15, 2024, the Sangamon County Sheriff will on August 27, 2024, at 09:00 AM, at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. 9th Street 2nd floor in the County Board Room, Springfield, IL 62701, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate: PART OF LOTS ONE (1) AND TWO (2) OF THE PLAT OF LOT FIFTEEN (15) OF ANDREW ELLIOTT'S SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH HALE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION TWENTY-EIGHT (28), TOWNSHIP SIXTEEN (16) NORTH, RANGE FIVE (5) WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS TO WIT: BEGINNING EIGHTY (80) FEET EAST OF

PLAINTIFF

THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT ONE (1); RUNNING THENCE SOUTH ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR (144) FEET FOUR AND ONE-HALF (4-1/2) INCHES TO THE NORTH LINE OF A PRIVATE ALLEY RUNNING EAST AND WEST THROUGH LOT TWO (2) OF SAID LOT FIFTEEN (15); THENCE EAST FORTY (40) FEET; THENCE NORTH ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR (144) FEET FOUR AND ONE-HALF (4-1/2) INCHES TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT ONE (1); THENCE WEST FORTY (40) FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

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

P.I.N. 14-28.0-229-014 COMMON ADDRESS: 226 W Elliott Ave, Springfield, IL 62702 Terms of all sales are ten percent (109

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 a Single Family Home and will NOT be open for

inspection. The entered judgment amount was \$24,898.61

For information call Plaintiff's Attorney, Kluever Law Group, LLC, 200 N LaSalle St, Suite 1880, Chicago, IL 60601. 312-236-0077. SMS000996-23FC1 8051-944869

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

V.

JEFFREY S. HENTZIEN, SHELLY L.

HENTZIEN, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND

NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,

Defendants.

Case No. 2024FC000104

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

Notice is hereby given to UNKNOWN

OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIM
ANTS of the real estate described below,

Defendants in the above-entitled case,

pursuant to the provisions of Sections 2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that the above-entitled mortgage foreclosure suit is now pending in said court and the day on or after which a default may be entered against Defendants is August 30, 2024. Plaintiff has certified the following regarding said foreclosure action filed on July 17, 2024.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and Case Number are as follows: United Community Bank, an Illinois banking corporation; 2024FC000104.

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

3. The name of the title holder of record is: Jeffrey S. Hentzien

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

The North 60 feet of Lot 37 in Buckingham Place, Third Addition, Chatham Illinois. Except all coal, minerals and mining rights heretofore conveyed or reserved of record. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 34 Buckingham Road, Chatham, Illinois 62629

6. The Tax Identification Number for the real estate is as follows: 28-12.0-377-024 7. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: Name of Mortgagor: Jeffrey S. Hentzien Name of Mortgagee: United Community

Bank
Date of Mortgage: December 23, 2019
Date of recording: January 8, 2020
County where recorded: Sangamon
County, Illinois

Recording document identification: Document No. 2020R00500
/s/ Joseph B. Roesch
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BROWN, HAY & STEPHENS, LLP
Emmet A. Fairfield
Registration No. 6180505
205 S. 5th Street – Suite 1000
PO. Brox 2459

Springfield, IL 62705 (217) 544-8491 efairfield@bhslaw.com 8051-944865

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION VS TONI A MERCHANT A/K/A TONI MERCHANT; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS. NO. 22 FC 000040 1113 NORTH WESLEY STREET SPRING-FIELD, IL 62702 JUDGE PRESIDING JUDGE NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDG-MENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLO-SURE ACT PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on June 8, 2022, will on August 27, 2024, in the Sangamon South Auditorium #1 Copley Plaza (Old SJR Building) 1st Floor, Springfield, IL 62701, at 9:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment: LOTS FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE (573) AND FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR (574) IN SPAULDING'S CAPITAL PARK ADDITION. EXCEPT ALL COAL AND OTHER MINERALS LINDERLYING THE SAID LANDS TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT TO MINE AND

REMOVE SAME. SITUATED IN SANGAMON

COUNTY, ILLINOIS .
TAX NO. 14-25.0-104-006 & 14-25.0104-007
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1113 North
Wesley Street
Springfield, IL 62702

Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has a morton type building garage. The garage is detached. The exterior is vinyl siding. The color is tan. The property has a fence. The property is occupied. Fence has damage to it

The Judgment amount was \$81,221.14. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

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

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

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(q)(1) and (q)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER) YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSES-SION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW For Information: Visit our website at http://

ilforeciosuresales.mrplic.com.
Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 22-08818IL PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale. I3248353

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

-SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
CMG MORTGAGE, INC.,
Plaintiff

vs. SEAN STILLMANK; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendant(s).

CASE NO. 2024FC000009 Property Address: 3721 Sangamo Heights Lane Springfield, IL 62702 NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a judgment of said Court entered in the above-entitled cause on June 12, 2024, I, Sheriff Jack Campbell of Sangamon County, Illinois, will hold a sale on August 27, 2024, commencing at 9:00AM, at the Sangamon County Building. 200 South Ninth Street. Springfield. IL 62701 ROOM TBA, to sell to the highest bidder or bidders the following described real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said decree, to wit

THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 58, ALL OF LOTS 59, 60, 61, 62 AND THE NORTH HALE OF LOT 63 OF SANGAMO HEIGHTS. BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THAT PART OF THE EAST 410 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LYING NORTH OF THE CENTER LINE OF THE SPRINGFIELD AND PEORIA ROAD, AS PER PLAT RECORDED JUNE 25. 1924 IN BOOK 12 PAGE 4, SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY ILLINOIS EXCEPT ANY INTEREST IN THE COAL, OIL GAS AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE LAND WHICH HAVE BEEN HERETO-FORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED IN PRIOR CONVEYANCES AND ALL RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINER-ALS. IF ANY. Commonly known as: 3721 Sangamo Heights Lane , Springfield, IL 62702 P.I.N.: 14-11.0-327-036 First Lien Position; Single-Family Residence: Judgment Amount \$114 845 55 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 AS SESSMENTS 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 II 60563 (630)

midwestpleadings@dallegal.com 8051-944707

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC

WILLIAM P. BUTCHER, SPECIAL REP-

453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit

www.dallegal.com 24 hours prior to sale

This communication is an attempt to col-

lect a debt and any information obtained

will be used for that purpose.

Naperville, IL 60563

(630) 453-6960

Plaintiff,

Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC

1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120

RESENTATIVE FOR JAMES R. LENHART (DECEASED) CAROLL LENHART CINDY L. HEISERMAN A/K/A CINDY LENHART, JAMES DAVIS LENHART A/K/A JIMMY LENHART, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGA-TEES OF JAMES R. LENHART, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendant 2022 FC 000148 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on May 15, 2024, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on August 14, 2024, at the Do Realty Services, 600 S 6th Street, SPRINGFIELD, IL, 62701. sell at a public sale to the highest bidder,

as set forth below, the following described real estate:
PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 13 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN AUBURN, SANGAMON, COUNTY, ILLINOIS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF KENNEDY AVENUE (FORMERLY THIRD STREET) AND HARRISON STREET: THENCE

NORTH 193.00 FEET TO AN IRON PIPE AT THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 122.00 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE NORTH 189 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST 50.75 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE SOUTH 11 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 31 SECOND WEST 124.46 FEET TO AN IRON PIPE; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 34 MINUTES EAST 75.45 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as 506 S KENNEDY AVENUE, AUBURN, IL 62615 Property Index No. 34-10.0-405-006 The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$142.062.38 Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assess ments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by 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).

DOS/18.3(g-1).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN 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, contact Alexander
Potestivo, POTESTIVO & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

conducts foreclosure sales.

For information, contact Alexander
Potestivo, POTESTIVO & ASSOCIATES, P.C
Plaintiff's Attorneys, 223 WEST JACKSON
BLVD, STE 610, Chicago, IL, 60606 (312)
263-0003. Please refer to file number
315256.

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 POTESTIVO & ASSOCIATES, P.O. 223 WEST JACKSON BLVD. STE 610 Chicago IL, 60606 312-263-0003 E-Mail: ilpleadings@potestivolaw.com Attorney File No. 315256 Case Number: 2022 FC 000148 TJSC#: 44-1703 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 # 2022 FC 000148

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, PLAINTIFF,

SCOTT ARCHIONE A/K/A SCOTT M
ARCHIONE A/K/A SCOTT ARCHONE A/K/A
SCOTT W ARCHIONE A/K/A ACHIONE
SCOTT W; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,
DEFENDANTS.

NO. 23 FC 000216 620 WEST VINE STREET SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDG-MENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLO-

SURE ACT PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on June 12, 2024. will on August 27, 2024, in the Sangamon South Auditorium #1 Copley Plaza (Old SJR Building) 1st Floor, Springfield, IL 62701, at 9:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment: LOT TEN (10) IN BLOCK FIVE (5) OF WILLIAMS PLACE, IN SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. EXCEPT ANY INTEREST IN THE COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS LINDERLYING

SAID COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS, IF ANY.
SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY,
ILLINOIS.

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CONVEYANCES. AND ALL RIGHTS AND

FORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED IN PRIOR

EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF

TAX NO. 14-33.0-380-010 COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 620 West Vine Street

Springfield, IL 62704
Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has a one car garage. The garage is detached. The exterior is brick. The color is brown. The property has a fence. The property is

occupied. The Judgment amount was \$144,644.84. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

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

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

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises If this property is a condominium unit. the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER). YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSES-SION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE

FORECLOSURE LAW. For Information: Visit our website at http:// ilforeclosuresales.mrpllc.com. Between 3 p.m. and $\overset{\cdot}{\text{5}}$ p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200. Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088 Please refer to file# 23-16982II PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLEC-TION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DERT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale. 13247199

NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF SANGAMON SPRINGFIELD,
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HEARTLAND CREDIT UNION,
Plaintiff.

VS.
PENNY JACKSON,
Defendant.
CASE NO. 24-FC-2
PROPERTY ADDRESS:
209 E SPRUCE ST.
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that
pursuant to a Judgment of the above
Court entered in the above entitled cause
on April 17, 2024, the following described
real estate, to-wit:

Lot 51 of Central Place, as per Plat recorded in Plat Book 11, Page 39. 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. Permanent Index Number: 22-04.0-232-014

Commonly known as: 209 E Spruce St., Springfield, IL 62704 will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on August 27, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the the Auditorium on the 2nd Floor, 300 South 9th St, Springfield, Illinois. The Judgment amount is \$76,360.36. The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 the 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 shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719

The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share if any of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. 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 the sale is not confirmed for any reason,

If the sale is not confirmed for any reason the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-OWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. HEARTLAND CREDIT UNION, Policitiff.

Rvan M. Beavers (#6335549). Its Attorney

Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC Ryan M. Beavers (#6335549) HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Attorneys at Law P.O. Box 740 Decatur, IL 62525 Send Notice/Pleadings to: Veronika J. Miles (#6313161) Email: Non-CookPleadings@hsbattys.com Telephone: (217) 422-1719 Facsimile: (217) 422-1754 8051-942071

NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, COUNTY OF SAN-GAMON SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WILLIAMSVILLE STATE BANK & TRUST, Plaintiff, vs. DAMIAN Z BLACKMAN AKA DAMIAN BLACKMAN, ANGELA R BLACKMAN AKA ANGELA BLACKMAN AND DISCOVER

BANK,
Defendants.
CASE NO. 24-FC-6
PROPERTY ADDRESS:
316 E. MAIN ST.
WILLIAMSVILLE, IL 62693
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that
pursuant to a Judgment of the above
Court entered in the above entitled cause
on April 3, 2024, the following described
real estate, to-wit:

LOT 5 AND THE EAST 6 FEET OF LOT 6 OF LOWERY'S SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTHWEST PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. SITU- ATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Index Number: 07-04.0-426-005 aka 07-04-426-005 Commonly known as: 316 E. Main St., Williamsville, IL 62693 will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on September 3, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the the Auditorium on the 2nd Floor 300 South 9th St, Springfield, Illinois. The Judgment amount is \$80,589.72.

The real estate is improved with a single

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid

family residence.

by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Ahandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300 in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 the 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 shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale

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

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719 The purchaser of a condominium unit

at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. 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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STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY Kailee Colley, Petitioner and Allen Mackey, Respondent Case No. 2024-FA-000178 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION Notice is given you Allen Mackey, Respondent herein, that this cause has been commenced and you are summoned to a child custody case and for other relief. Unless you file your response or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, 200 South Ninth Street, Room

405, Springfield, Illinois on or before the

1st day of September, 2024, a judgment or decree by default may be taken against

you for the relief asked in the complaint.

Joseph B. Roesch

Circuit Clerk

District

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND AVAIL-ABILITY OF TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR EAST SIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of September, 2024, at the hour of 1:30 PM a public hearing will be held in the office of Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 S. Fifth Street, Suite 1000, U S Bank Building, Springfield, Illinois. The subject of such public hearing will be the Adoption of a Tentative Budget and Appropriation

Copies of the proposed Budget and Appropriation Ordinance are available at the above address during normal business hours on and after August 9, 2024. Alan Dickson, Secretary East Side Protection District

Ordinance for the East Side Fire Protection

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND AVAILABILITY OF TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR WESTERN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of September, 2024, at the hour of 10:00AM a public hearing will be held in the office of Brown, Hay & Stephens, LLP, 205 S. Fifth Street, Suite 1000, U S Bank Building, Springfield, Illinois. The subject of such public hearing will be the Adoption of a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Western Fire Protection District.

Copies of the proposed Budget and Appropriation Ordinance are available at the above address during normal hours on and after August 12, 2024. Jack Hampton, Secretary Western Fire Protection District

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND AVAILABILITY OF TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR NORTH SIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of September, 2024, at the hour of 4:30 PM a public hearing will be held in the office of Brown Hay and Stephens LLP, 205 South Fifth Street, Suite 1000. US Bank Building, Springfield, Illinois. The subject of such public hearing will be

the adoption of a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the North Side Fire Protection District. Copies of the proposed Budget and Appropriation Ordinance are available at the above address during normal business hours on and after August 11, 2024. Steven Dunker, Secretary North Side Fire Protection District

Sundog LLC DBA: Sundog Mobile RV Inspection, Maintenance and Repairs Phone #: 217.652.1722 Address: 311 s East st Farmersville, II 62533 Montgomery county

CWLP MISO Attachment 0 Annual Meeting Notice City Water, Light & Power (CWLP) will hold a meeting as a Transmission Owner of the

Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (MISO) to support Attachment O (the May 22, 2024 posting files for the 2024 Annual Update of the Transmission Revenue Requirement) submitted to MISO. Rate formula calculations Historical FIA Form 412, inputs thereto, and supporting documentation and workpapers will be available for review and for discussion with representatives of CWLP. CWLP's MISO Attachment 0 meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at 3:30 p.m. (Central Time). All interested parties may participate via Zoom video conference at the following link: https://tinyurl. com/mr4cb847

This notice and supporting documentation are available for review at the Office of the Springfield City Clerk, Municipal Center West, Room 106, 300 South Seventh Street, Springfield, IL 62701. The relevant information is posted on the MISO Open Access Same Time Information System (OASIS) at its website: https://tinyurl.com/5fvnpaxh

This annual meeting is held as required by FERC docket # ER13-2379.

To enforce Self Storage Lien in default of payment of rent a private auction will be held on Saturday August 17, 2024 at 9:00a.m.

NorthEnd Storage is located at 1907 North Grand East, Springfield, IL. 62702 This is a private auction. In order to attend you must call 217-544-4521 a week prior to the auction date.

Please leave your name, telephone number and an email address.
Cash is the only form of payment accepted for the auction.
Any individual wanting to retain their unit will need to pay their entire balance on or before August 14, 2024.
No personal checks will be accepted for storage units that are in lien.
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION STORAGE UNIT

AUCTION
Larry Hagaman Unit#3-2
Naila Day Unit#3-8
Donald Caves Unit#1-13
Alisha Collins Unit#1-21
Terry Ballinger Unit#1-41
Gerald Mount Unit#3-16
Daniel Holdiman Unit#4-25
Qiana Harris Unit#4-41
Ashley Goins Unit#7-21
Terry Broida Unit#9-37
Susan Grant Unit#10-12
Gerald Mount Unit#11-17
Kenneth Ashcraft Unit#8-15
Kristina Blissett Unit#1-2

TAKE NOTICE Filed: 07-11-2024 Certificate#141-414-4 NOTICES TO Omar Hussein Hassan Hussein

Vernon Raglin Unit#I-2

Rbecca Barbier Unit#J-11

Don Gray, Sangamon County Clerk Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property - unknown owners and parties interested in said land or lots A Petition for Tax Deed on property described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Illinois as Case #2024TX000110 Property is located at: 3230 Clear Lake Ave, Springfield, IL 62703 Legal Description or Permanent Index No. 14-36.0-201-034 Lot 6 A (6A) of the Redivision of Lot Six (6) in Speedway Subdivision recorded August 19, 1994 as Document No. 94-33814 except any interest in the coal, oil, gas and other minerals underlying the land which have been heretofore conveved 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 the County of Sangamon, Illinois Said property was sold on November 12 2021 for delinquent real estate taxes and/ or special assessments for the year 2020. The period of redemption will expire on November 8, 2024. On November 25, 2024 at 10 a.m. in room TBD the Petitioner will make application to such court in said county for an Order Directing Issuance of Tax Deed. Charles Bellemey, petitioner

Circuit Clerk: Joe Roesch

TAKE NOTICE

Filed: 07-11-2024 Certificate#141-40-4 NOTICES TO Fred W. Wanless, LLC Brittany Kink Toigo, registered agent Willa Jean Wanless AT&T Wireless PCS LLC CT Corporation System New Cinqular Wireless PCS, LLC American Tower L.P. Don Gray, Sangamon County Clerk Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property — unknown owners and parties interested in said land or lots A Petition for Tax Deed on property described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Illinois as Case #2024TX000109 Property is located at: 2015 Overpass Rd., Riverton, IL 62561 Legal Description or Property Index No. 15-15.0-400-008 That part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 15, Township 16 North, Range 4 West of the Third Principal Meridian excepting that part taken or used for roads or Highways; situated in the County of Sangamon, State of Illinois 0.47AC CELL TOWER Said property was sold on November 12, 2021 for delinquent real estate taxes and/ or special assessments for the year 2020. The period of redemption will expire on November 8, 2024. On November 25, 2024 at 10 a.m. in room TBD the Petitioner will make application to such court in said county for an Order Directing Issuance of Tax Deed. Charles Bellemey, petitioner

NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF SANGAMON
SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY,
ILLINOIS
SECURITY BANK,
Plaintiff,

Circuit Clerk: Joe Roesch

JERAD WOOSLEY, NATHANIA WOOSLEY, PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES, LLC, BANK & TRUST COMPANY AND RICK VERTICCHIO, Defondent CASE NO. 23-FC-112 PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on September 27, 2023, the following described real estate to-wit-THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 31 TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, EXCEPT THAT PART LYING NORTH OF CLEAR CREEK. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, **ILLINOIS**

Permanent Index Number: 16-31.0-400-029 aka 16-31-400-029 Commonly known as: 698 S. Tower Rd., Dawson, IL 62520

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on September 3, 2024, at 9:00 AM, in the the Auditorium on the 2nd Floor, 300 South 9th St, Springfield, Illinois The Judgment amount is \$305,634.48. The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Sangamon County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. 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 the 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 shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all informa-

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 601 East William Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217)

422-1719 The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. 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 the sale is not confirmed for any reason the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOME-

OWNER) YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLO-SURF LAW

Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Bevers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. SECURITY BANK,

Plaintiff. Veronika J. Miles (#6313161), Its Attorney Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC Veronika J. Miles (#6313161) HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Attorneys at Law 601 East William Street Decatur, IL 62523 Send Notice/Pleadings to: Veronika J. Miles (#6313161) Email: Non-CookPleadings@hsbattys.com Telephone: (217) 422-1719

NOTICE TO BIDDERS Growth International will receive sealed bids prior 2:00 PM CDT on Thursday, August 22, 2024 for the following work for the project: Remodel 1529 East Edwards

Springfield, Illinois

Facsimile: (217) 422-1754

8051-945130

All bids are to be delivered to the offices of the Architects. Melotte Morse Leonatti Parker, 213 South Sixth Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62701, and will be opened publicly. Bids shall remain valid for a period of sixty (60) days from the Bid due date.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on July 30, 2024 @ 10:00 AM. CDT at the project site, at 1529 East Edwards Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703 Contractors might be able to request additional pre-bid meetings by contacting the architect.

The Construction Documents will be available for examination at the following locations:

Melotte Morse Leonatti Parker, Ltd. 213-1/2 South Sixth Street Springfield, Illinois 62701 217-789-9515

Attn: Mr. T. David Parker

Bids shall include a properly completed Bid Form in duplicate. Specifications and Drawings will be

available at the electronic plan room of the Office of the Architect, Melotte Morse Leonatti Parker, Ltd., 213 ½ South Sixth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701. www. mmlpplanroom.com. Documents may be printed at Springfield Reprographics, according to procedures at www.mmlp. planroom.com.

All Bidders are advised that all work of this Contract shall be subject to the provisions of the "Davis-Bacon Act." Prevailing wage rates have been included in the bid documents.

All Bidders shall submit and enclose with their bid a notarized certification that the Contractor is not barred from bidding on the Contract as a result of a violation of either Section 33 E-3 or 33 E-4 of Article 33E. Public Act 85-1295 (Senate Bill 2002) effective January 1, 1989. Certification is located in the Bid Form.

Minority and Female owned contractors are encouraged to participate. Bidders shall comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (18 USC 874 and 40 USC

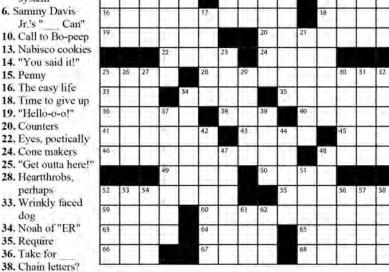
Surety Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond for 100% of the bid value will be required for this project. Bidders are required to have the insurance listed on the Specification pages of the Bid Set.

Growth International reserves the right to reject any or all bids and reserves the right to waive any irregularity in bidding, which in their considered opinion is warranted. FND 00 1113

Just add water

Edited by J. Reynolds - No. 852

Across 1. Atlanta's train system 6. Sammy Davis Jr.'s " Can" 10. Call to Bo-peep 13. Nabisco cookies 14. "You said it!" 15. Penny 16. The easy life 18. Time to give up 19. "Hello-o-o!" 20. Counters 22. Eyes, poetically Cone makers 25. "Get outta here!" 28. Heartthrobs,



34. Noah of "ER" 35. Require 36. Take for 38. Chain letters? 40. Neighbor of Fiji Down -Dick"

41. "Yes , Bob" 43. Associations 45. Summer mo.

perhaps

dog

46. Fruit plate items 48. Egyptian snakes

49. Pizzeria output 50. Boarding places: Abbr.

52. Art mart 55. For failures

59. Cleveland's lake

60. Early calculators 63. President before

Wilson 64. "Get ___ here!" 65. Sen. Specter

66. French soul

67. K-P connection 68. Deteriorates

porridge 5. In reference to 6. Hoopster

2. Mars: Prefix

3. Change the decor

4. Like Papa Bear's

Ming 7. Letters on an ambulance

8. Wave to from the pier

9. Prompt 10. Hive dwellers

11. "Green Gables" girl 12. Firm parts:

Abbr. 15. Nearly 17. Benson of "Ice Castles"

21. Doesn't use cursive

23. Auction erv 25. Involuntary

twitch 26. Radium

discoverer 27. "It's 29. 1983 Streisand

role 30. Grannies

31. Ferret out

32. Metal wastes 34. Twerp

37. Bit of dew 39. Bothers

42. Longtime NBC sports exec

44. Perfumer Lauder

47. Refugee's request

48. Guarantee 51. Play to_

_ life!" (tie) 52. "

53, Composer Khachaturian 54. Mikey's favorite

cereal 56. Jazzy Fitzgerald

57. Lascivious look 58. Payroll dept.

figs.

61. BBC rival 62. 1957 Physics

Nobelist Tsung-Lee

Puzzle answers from this week will appear here next week



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

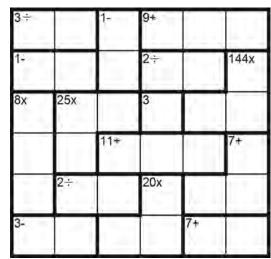
Sudoku answers from #851

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

JoshJosh answers from #851

JoshJosh by J. Reynolds - No. 852

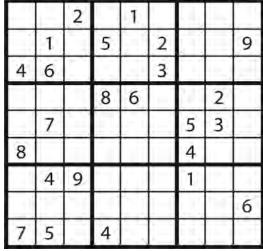
Fill the grid with digits so as not to repeat a digit in any row or column, and so that the digits within each heavily outlined box will produce the target number shown, by using addition, subtraction, multiplication or division, as indicated in the box. A 6x6 grid will use 1-6.



Difficulty medium

Sudoku No. 852

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



Difficulty hard



AUG. 8-18

LITE BEER TENT

THURSDAY, AUG. 8

CAPTAIN GEECH & THE SHRIMP SHACK SHOOTERS

5:30PM-7:30PM

BRUSHVILLE

8:30PM-12AM

FRIDAY, AUG. 9

CAPTAIN GEECH & THE SHRIMP SHACK SHOOTERS 5PM-8PM

LICK CREEK

9PM-12AM

SATURDAY, AUG. 10

NAUGHTY-N-NICE

1PM-4PM

CAPTAIN GEECH & THE SHRIMP SHACK SHOOTERS

5PM-8PM

LICK CREEK

9PM-12AM

SUNDAY, AUG. 11

ELVIS HIMSELVIS

1PM-4PM

BRAT PACK

4:30-7:30PM

BACKSEAT RADIO

8:30PM-12AM

MONDAY, AUG. 12

GATORHEAD

7PM-11PM

*OPENING DAY AUG. 8, BEER TENTS OPEN AT 5PM EVERYDAY AFTERWARDS BEER TENTS OPEN AT 12PM

TUESDAY, AUG. 13

NAUGHTY-N-NICE

5PM-7:30PM

THE BAD GRANDPA'S

8:30PM-12AM

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14

BRAT PACK

5PM-7:30PM

BRUSHVILLE

8:30PM-12AM

THURSDAY, AUG. 15

SUSHI ROLL

4:30PM-7:30PM

HARMONY GRITS

8:30PM-12AM

FRIDAY, AUG. 16

CAPTAIN GEECH &

THE SHRIMP SHACK SHOOTERS

5PM-7:30PM

DECADE OF DECADENCE 80'S HAIRBAND TRIBUTE

8:30PM-12AM

SATURDAY, AUG. 17

JOEL HONEY

1PM-4PM

CAPTAIN GEECH &

THE SHRIMP SHACK SHOOTERS

5PM-7:30PM

DECADE OF DECADENCE 80'S HAIRBAND TRIBUTE

8:30PM-12AM

SUNDAY, AUG. 18

ELVIS HIMSELVIS

1PM-4PM

BRUSHVILLE

5PM-8PM



AUG. 8-18 Coordinate BEER TENT

THURSDAY, AUG. 8

OFF THE WALL

5PM-7:30PM

AFTER SUNSET

8:30PM-12AM

FRIDAY, AUG. 9

BRUSHVILLE

5PM-8PM

BLACKTOP SOUTH

9PM-12AM

SATURDAY, AUG 10

MIKE BURNETT & FRIENDS 1PM-4PM

X-KRUSH

5PM-8PM

OFF THE WALL

9PM-12AM

SUNDAY, AUG. 11

JOEL HONEY

1PM-4PM

FOLSOM PRISON 5 (A TRIBUTE TO JOHNNY CASH)

4:30PM-7:30PM

SUSHI ROLL

8:30-12AM

MONDAY, AUG. 12 The BAD Grandpas

7PM-11PM

TUESDAY, AUG. 13

TIM HART ACOUSTIC

5PM-7:30PM

HARMONY GRITS

8:30PM-12AM

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14

SUSHI ROLL

4:30PM-7:30PM

BACKSEAT RADIO

8:30PM-12AM

THURSDAY, AUG. 15

THE COLLECTIVE

5PM-8PM

FOREPLAY

9PM-12AM

FRIDAY, AUG. 16

LONGMEYER BAND

5PM-8PM

LICK CREEK

9PM-12AM

SATURDAY, AUG. 17

BLACKTOP SOUTH

4PM-8PM

LICK CREEK

9PM-12AM

SUNDAY, AUG. 18

OFF THE WALL

4:30-8PM

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