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New jobs

White joins Edward Jones Team. Teri White recently joined the Champaign office of the financial services firm Edward Jones as a branch office administrator.

The office is at 907 Arrow Road, C.



WHITE

Kloppel goes into real estate. Chris Kloppel has joined the Waldhoff

Gard Team at Keller Williams Realty, The Real Estate Center of Illinois as a licensed buyers' specialist.

Kloppel brings a unique insight into real estate more than 12 years as a licensed plumber in the construction industry.



KLOEPEL

Mataya at Worden Martin.

Christopher Mataya has joined the sales department at Worden Martin Buick GMC, 1404 N. Dunlap Ave., Savoy.



MATAYA

He has 10 years of experience selling new Ford vehicles.

He previously worked at Ridings in Monticello for 10 years, at Schwans for four years and as a district manager in the pizza business for 15 years.

New groomer hired. Angel

Paws in Champaign recently hired Jade Beville, formerly at the Pet Pro, as a groomer.

The business now has two groomers on staff.



BEVILL

New vice president named. Hickory Point Bank

announced that Morgan Nessler has been named vice president, retail banking, and will manage the branches and consumer staff in Champaign, Decatur, Springfield, Peoria Heights and Marshall County.



NESSLER

Nessler will be responsible for ensuring bank customers receive excellent service while undertaking personnel management, training initiatives and staff development for the consumer division.

Nessler has 11 years of banking experience, most recently serving as vice president-branch manager at a large national bank in central Illinois.

Nessler graduated from the University of Illinois in 2006 with a bachelor's degree in English.

Achievements

Statewide recognition for Borbely. Clark-Lindsey human resources director Krista Borbely was recognized as the recipient of the Rising Star Award at the Leading Age annual meeting at Navy Pier in Chicago.

Borbely was selected in recognition of the many new programs she has developed in her two-year tenure at Clark-Lindsey, including a successful nurse retention and recruiting program, a monthly leadership training series and the creation of new job descriptions that reflect the key components of Clark-Lindsey's workplace culture.

Borbely led a team to develop a new employee orientation program that involves over 20 "coaches" from throughout the organization.

She was a fellow in this year's Leading Age Illinois Leadership Academy program and created an "alumni network" within Clark-Lindsey.

She also served on the Leading Age Illinois Workforce Task Force, helping to develop a front-line supervisor education series.

Ramirez installed as president. Dr. Nestor A. Ramirez of Champaign was inaugurated president of the Illinois State Medical Society during its 2017 annual meeting.

Ramirez is board-certified in pediatrics. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and has an academic appointment as a clinical assistant professor of pedi-



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atrics and obstetrics/gynecology at the University of Illinois College of Medicine.

Ramirez serves on the society's Executive Committee and previously chaired the International Medical Graduate Section Governing Council, the Council on Economics and the Governmental Affairs Committee.

He also served as a member of the Council on Education and Health Workforce.

Ramirez earned his medical degree from Pontifical Xavierian University in Bogota, Colombia. He completed his internship at St. Ignatius University Hospital in Bogota, Colombia and his residency at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and University of Tennessee/Le Bonheur Children's Medical Center in Memphis, Tenn.

Ramirez's term as president runs through April 2018.

Loos joins Round Table.

Scott Loos at Prudential Financial in Champaign has qualified for membership in the Million Dollar Round Table.

Attaining membership in Round Table is a career milestone. It requires members to adhere to a strict code of ethics, focus on providing top-notch client service and continue to grow professionally through involvement in at least one industry association.

Klein selected for alliance. Kim Klein, assistant trust officer and assistant cashier at the State Bank of Bement, has been selected to participate in the Future Leaders Alliance offered through the Illinois Bankers Association.

The yearlong program is dedicated to enhancing the professional development and new and promising bank leaders through education, community service and networking.

Klein will partake in comprehensive training while performing local community service teaching financial literacy.

Regency earns award. For the 10th straight year, Regency Apartments won the nationwide "Best in the Industry" recognition for customer service excel-



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lence in its apartment communities located in Illinois, Indiana and Michigan.

The customer service excellence award is based on results for Regency-owned and -managed apartment communities.

The survey was conducted by CEL & Associates in February 2016.

Price gets office profes-

sional award. Anne Price received the 2017 Office Professional of the Year Award from the Secretariat at the University of Illinois.

Price is an office administrator for the Campus Honors Program and was nominated by director Kim Graber.

Also nominated were: Andrea Fain, Office of the Chancellor; James McGraw, Beckman Institute; and Karen Myers, College of Business.

The Secretariat is an organization for UI at Urbana-Champaign employees in certain civil service classifications.

New chair named. Attorneys' Title Guaranty Fund Inc. has reappointed five board members and has named a new chair and director of ATG Trust.

The firm announced the reappointment of Aurora N. Austriaco, James M. Grant, Murphy C. Hart, John "Jay" M. Huetsch and Jonathan P. Sherry to the board of directors.

The company also announced the promotion of three women with a combined 50 years of experience at the company: Christine Sparkline to senior vice president and chief operating officer; Arden K. Miner to vice president of underwriting, support and development; and Tania M.S. Stori of Urbana to vice president of claims and litigation.

Stori started with ATG in 1996 as a law clerk, and has extensive service in the underwriting and claims departments. For the last two years, she has been transitioning from her long-term role in ATG's underwriting department, most recently as senior managing attorney, where she learned all aspects of claims analysis, settlement and litigation from



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Michael K. Brandt. In 2017, he retired from ATG after more than 35 years of service.

Stori is a contributing author to the Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education's Commercial Real Estate and Illinois Mortgage Foreclosure Practices, and is a frequent speaker for ATG legal education seminars. She serves on the Illinois Land Title Association board of directors and is a past chair of its title counsel committee.

She has a juris doctorate from the University of Illinois, a master of arts from the University of Chicago and a bachelor of arts (summa cum laude) from Augustana College, Rock Island.



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HARPER

Three earn awards. Jim Waller of Champaign, Kaye Harper of Rantoul and Reggie Taylor of Champaign, all sales associates and representatives with Coldwell Banker Honig-Bell, have been named to the company's 2016 International President's Elite.

Only the top 2 percent of all sales associates and representatives worldwide in the Coldwell Banker system qualified for this group.

Merit Award recipients announced. The Champaign County Design and Conservation Foundation has announced the 2017 Merit Award recipients. Recipients represent projects throughout the county that improve the built environment and enhance the quality of life of Champaign County residents and visitors.

Merit Award recipients were nominated by members of the CCDC board of directors. Projects must have been recently built, exemplify the values of environmental stewardship, provide space for enjoyment of nature and enhance the aesthetic quality of the community. Members then voted on the nominees and selected seven projects to be honored.

This year's Merit Award recipients include: — The Pines, at the southeast corner of Windsor and Philo roads in Urbana. The Pines is a commercial and office development. It was selected for being a model example of a commercial space that demonstrates commitment to enhanced aesthetics of the community, for excellence in landscape design and for providing space for the public to enjoy the outdoors.

Developer: **The Atkins Group**, with architectural designs by **Smith/Burgett Architects**, engineering by **Mark Miller**, landscape design by **Scott Larimer**.

— Latitude, at the northwest corner of University Avenue and Wright Street, Champaign. Latitude is a mixed-use development with ground floor commercial uses and upper-floor apartments built on an infill site. It was selected for excellence in streetscape and landscape design.

Developer: **Investment Property Advisors LLC**.

— Sims Drilling, 309 S. Dunlap St., Savoy. Sims Drilling is a water well drilling and pump installation company that has been in business since 1939. It was selected for revitalizing the exterior of its facility, which is on a major entry corridor into the community.

Owner: **Sims Drilling LLC**; owner **Joseph Sims**.

— Homer Lake Forest Preserve Natural Playscape, adjacent to Homer Lake, Homer. The playscape is a play area made with primarily natural materials that encourages climbing, splashing and imagination. It was selected for excellence in design of outdoor space that encourages people of all ages to experience nature.

Operator: **Champaign County Forest Preserve**.

— Crystal Lake Family Aquatic Center, within Crystal Lake Park in Urbana. The aquatic center features a lap pool, zero-entry wading pool, climbing wall, multiple slides and an in-water play structure.

In addition, it has unique features like a real sand beach and splash zone that incorporate natural materials. The landscaping features native and pollinator supportive plants. It was selected for excellence in design public facility design and environmental design for integrating habitat supportive plantings into the landscape.

Operator: **Urbana Park District**.



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