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Republican gubernatorial candidates to be in forum

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Six of the seven Republican candidates for governor will participate in a forum Monday in Springfield.

Hosted by the Citizens Club of Springfield, the forum will be at 7 p.m. in the LRS Theatre of the Hoogland Center for the Arts, 420 S. Sixth St. Free and open to the public, it's expected to last no longer than 90 minutes.

Club president Bob Gray said the club is also trying to schedule a forum for the Democrats.

Candidates scheduled to participate Monday include transparency advocate Adam Andrzejewski, state Sens. Bill Brady and Kirk Dillard, public relations consultant Dan Proft, former Attorney General Jim Ryan and DuPage County Board Chairman Bob Schillerstrom.

Not participating is Chicago businessman Andy McKenna. Spokesman Lance Trover said McKenna has a previously scheduled fundraiser in Chicago that day.

Rich Bradley, who recently retired as WUIS-FM news director, will moderate the forum. The panel of reporters asking questions includes Sean Crawford, WIUS news director; Michelle Eccles, WTAX-AM program/news director; and Bernard Schoenburg, political writer and columnist for The State Journal-Register.

The forum will be broadcast on WTAX at 1240 AM, with the same signal available on 107.5 FM.

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