

What the world really needs
is more love and less paper work.
— Pearl Bailey

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City plans to set up more Edgewater traffic obstacles on Clark St.

Ever since the surprise installation last summer of new bike lanes on Clark St. in Edgewater, a new cadre of residents and business owners has informally undertaken acts of civil disobedience over the fate of a century-old commercial street that's gotten more dangerous since their installation.

Clark St. north and south of Peterson is the new battlefield.

That stretch of Clark St. today is seeing a dramatic increase in congestion after the removal of one lane of traffic. For many, it has made the area feel even more dangerous. The new bike paths

are being broadly ignored by area residents, business owners, and parents taking kids to school, who are frustrated about the constricted lanes and backed up traffic.

Stop by [on foot] on any school day and you can see the outlaw parents line their cars up in the bike lanes while dropping off or picking up children from the Hayt School at Granville and Clark St.

Numerous accidents have been caused by the sudden lane closure north of Granville, and certainly thousands of drag races undertaken as cars leaving the light at Granville speed up to see who

can get into the lone lane of traffic first.

The crossing guards at Granville and Clark, and Thome and Clark, have seen many near misses and a few accidents, as cars speed up or screech to a halt when they block traffic for school children to cross Clark St.

In response, the city says they now have plan now to inflame the situation even more, making things even more difficult for the cars, trucks, CTA buses and emergency vehicles plying Clark St.

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Drug dealer gets 6 years in prison after Edgewater man dies of an overdose

BY CWBCHICAGO

In a rare victory for families who have lost loved ones to illegal narcotics, a Cook County judge sentenced a drug dealer to six years in prison for causing the 2019 death of an Edgewater man he met in rehab.

Christopher Paulus, 33, pleaded guilty to drug-induced homicide before Judge Peggy Chiampas. With credit for 576 days that he spent in custody before pleading, Paulus will be paroled in Nov. 2024, according to Illinois Dept. of Corrections records.

During an initial bond hearing in June 2020, Assistant State's Attorney James Murphy said Joshua Bloomfield, 29, invited Paulus to come to his home in a text.

"OK, sure. I can come over," Paulus allegedly replied. "I got some T, D, C, and X available," references to methamphetamine, Dilaudid, cocaine, and ecstasy.



Christopher Paulus

Cellphone data shows Paulus arrived at Bloomfield's home late on May 27, 2019, and stayed until around 3:30 a.m.

Bloomfield reportedly texted Paulus a short time later to question the amount of change Paulus gave him in a drug transaction.

"How did \$50 in D and \$20 in T come out to 90?" Bloomfield asked. "I think I f*cked up and overpaid you on accident."

Paulus allegedly replied that he gave Bloomfield the correct change and added, "that raw laid

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A series of random urine-throwing attacks ends with felony charges against an Andersonville man

BY CWBCHICAGO

Prosecutors say a North Side man is responsible for a series of random attacks in which women were doused with urine while walking in Andersonville and Lincoln Square.

On Feb. 6, Bright I. Ibeh, 35, was charged with felonies in connection with two incidents.

On the evening of Nov. 6, 2021, a 60-year-old woman was walking her dog on the 5300 block of N. Ashland when Ibeh passed by and threw liquid into her face from a paper cup, prosecutors said.

She felt burning in her eyes and noticed the strong smell of urine developed as the liquid dried.

The woman, identified as Katie Lyons, spoke with CBS2 news

about the incident two months later.

"The look of rage in his face – and just the way his eyes looked," Lyons said. "He had a large cup in his hand, and just as he was passing me, threw the contents of it into my eyes. And I yelled for help, just because my eyes were burning, and I couldn't see, and I dropped my phone."

Other women reported being attacked with urine over the next several weeks, and the suspect description was the same in each case, according to prosecutors.



Bright I. Ibeh

On Dec. 30, 2021, Ibeh went to a North Side police station for an unrelated matter, and officers noticed that he resembled the urine-tossing suspect, prosecutors said.

But CBS2's story from last month gives a different version of events.

According to their story, another woman reported that a man chased her and threw urine on her back in late December and then accompanied her to the police station. She filed a complaint about the incident, and the man accused her of letting her dogs loose on him.

"The police officer called me back and said, 'He told us that story, so we let him go,'" the

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Lunar New Year Parade



Front page: Local organizations gather to celebrate Lunar New Year in Uptown with a parade starting at the Argyle CTA Redline station. See more photos on page 16.

Photos by Reno Lovison

Rogers Park town hall meeting tonight

Ald. Maria Hadden [49th] and her staff are hosting their monthly virtual town hall tonight, Feb. 9, at 6 p.m.

Attendees will hear updates for the ward and the city and have the opportunity to ask questions. Jeff Gonzalez will share updates on Participatory Budgeting and

Kiara Harrington from CPS will share information on how community members and parents can run in the upcoming Local School Council elections.

To register visit bit.ly/2022TownHalls. Spanish translations will be available.

Catalpa Ave. closed for CTA work

Catalpa Ave., between the CTA tracks and N. Winthrop Ave., in Edgewater has closed and will not re-open until Friday, March 4.

While the dates are subject to change due to weather and construction schedule adjustments, there will be continuous, 24/7 street closure for equipment mobilization, assembly and drilled shaft installation on the Red Line.

The contractor will provide alternative parking for residents who lose their own off-street parking as a result of the blockage. For information about alternative parking, call Walsh-Fluor at 708-253-9772.

Walsh-Fluor will also undertake garbage and recycling collection, as city garbage trucks will not have access either.

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JEFFERY LEVING AND PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA

Perhaps NYC's gilded tale of aristocratic history not a good fit for Chicago



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

Go ahead and question my sanity, but I have been secretly binge watching "And Just Like That," the revised reappearance of the gang from "Sex and the City." Carrie. Miranda. Charlotte.

I set out just to see how the girls were doing. Low expectations. Searching for little meaning or purpose.

But after journeying through all episodes, I am ready to re-watch the entire production again.

The ladies of course, like all of us, have "matured." Saman-

tha makes no re-appearance, cut off, by choice, from her once best pals, living now in London. She makes a rare ghosting with strategically placed texts. And a floral spray, the only one accepted by Carrie for Mr. Big's casket, that was tasteful and could have covered Seabiscuit.

Yes, sir, everyone heard Big dies after getting off his Peloton stationary bike in episode one.

Widow Carrie, played by Sarah Jessica Parker, steps up to the plate and is more than a clothes horse or sexual know-it-all. Displaying herself to be a real human being with an outrageous passion for keeping friendships alive.

And great clothes.

Of course, she is lifted to recovery by Miranda and Charlotte, played by Cynthia Nixon and Kristen Davis, her friends of a lifetime. Over the episodes, some new friends as well. Some I really liked.

New York looks great. Carrie moves into new flat, an enormous modern riverside domicile that she soon discovers is really not her best cup of post-widowhood mourning.

She retreats to her old, more modest brownstone. A place she never sold, that becomes her biggest comfort, even after selling her condo shared with Mr. Big. (One of the very best I've seen in New York.) In the old pure brick and mortar New York therapy ward, she engages not only widowhood, but the sad fact of "maturing," in the greatest and craziest city in the world. And the coziest brownstone.

Miranda and Charlotte pick up their characters with the drama you'd expect while stepping into their mid-50s. Everything. Sexual dysfunctions. Spoiled children who wear them out. Worry at public perceptions of their personal abilities, social significance, or ability to be politically correct. Their capacity for embracing new age trends, their aging gay buddies, and what passes for their

New York style of alternate family life.

They appear to be untouched by nosy relatives, family obligations, the need to find God, aside from Charlotte's family's Judaism. Being vigilantly biological, aside from Miranda's own sexual reawakening. Quietly political. All the while eating like horses and drinking like fishes.

Permitting a pathological need for shopping everything from brownies to couture gowns to be the most humane alternative for these absent components of life.

Despite all this, I have been hooked. Enthralled. Soothed and revived by reconnecting to the ladies.

Like a visit to your childhood home, I enjoyed my time with them. Hope HBO will give us another season. Hope Manhattan won't run out of characters.

Of course, I only found the girls because I subscribed to HBO in order to see "The Gilded Age." The story of New York in the 1880s, ruled by the Astors, Van Rhijns and Vanderbilts and the other early old money families. They live in fear and dread of having to socially mix with the new monied New Yorkers who have wealth but no pedigree. The collision of these two branches of New York high society is intriguing. Especially as it is the brainchild of Lord Julian Fellowes, the author/creator of Downton Abbey.

The story he presents along the cobbles of Fifth Ave. are, of course, over simplified, and lack the visual refinement of Downton and its more engaging cast of multi-dimensional characters.

Lady Mary Crawley would easily have made mincemeat of the Astors, Vanderbilts and Roosevelts. She knew her place from the top of the heap. And the Dowager Countess of Grantham would have run from them all like they were a jar of store-bought jam.

Cora, the Countess of Grantham, on the other hand, would most likely have been an eyewitness to the goings-on. In many ways it was her American story.

But this "Gilded" tale of America's aristocratic history is fun and interesting to watch. Especially when, if you know American history, you understand how the world will turn on all. In both tales, of course, New York is the real star.

Funny thing about the way in which Americans treasure their urban surroundings. Whether in the "Gilded Age," or the modern. Here in Chicago we were off to a later start. Our freshness date is different. So is our geography on the flat landscape of the prairie. Sandwiched as we are between the ocean-like seascape of the great Lake Michigan, entwined by a river system that put New Orleans and towns along the mighty Mississippi at our fingertips.

Our centrality, right in the



And Just Like That cast Kristen Davis, Sarah Jessica Parker and Cynthia Nixon.

nation's very middle, made us geographically ripe for greatness. Whether for the railroads, stockyards and meat-packing, manufacturing, great baseball, reinvented American politics and becoming the air hub of the nation.

I'm not sure if Carrie, Miranda and Charlotte would be as comfortable in Chicago as they are in Manhattan. I'm not certain that the Astors, Vanderbilts and Van Rhijns of old New York would be as comfortable in the neighborhoods of Potter Palmer, Marshall Field, the Armours, Swifts, Wrigleys, Pritzkers and Ken Griffin.

Are we too provincial still? Gowns not frilly enough? Servants not snobby enough? Are we too focused on the natural social disasters unleashed, even now, by Mayor Lightfingers, Kim Foxx, Toni Preckwinkle, Judge Tim Evans and a court system where judges give their cell phone numbers to criminals who turn their lives around.

I'm not certain Chicago could withstand a hometown version of "Sex and the City." It would have to be more like "Bribes and the City" to hold the interest of Chicagoans who can read. Or "And Just Bribe That," for the looters and pillagers who support the re-election of Mayor Lightfingers.

Meantime perhaps we could send all our elected officials, fighting over urban remapping, their own Peloton exercise bikes, just like Mr. Big's. And just like that, I'm now questioning my sanity.

OUT AND PROUD: Ald. Ray Lopez [15th] is out and proud. He's anti-dibs. That is, he objects to Chicagoans who save parking spaces they have dug out of the snow using chairs, garbage cans, tables etc. Long a unique Chicago winter tradition and sport, he

will no longer tolerate such "privilege" in his Southwest Side ward. So far he's removed nine truckloads of such paraphernalia from his Brighton Park and Gage Park communities. Is this any way to

win votes?

NEW JOB: Jim Hirsch is the new executive director of Bright Promises Foundation. You may remember him from his days running the Old Town School, Chicago Theater or Chicago Sinfonietta. Good luck Jim.



Jim Hirsch

FILM BOARD: Congratulations to **Brenda Robinson**, the entertainment attorney, producer and dedicated philanthropist from Chicago who has served as Vice Chair of Film Independent's Board of Directors. She now succeeds **Mary**

Sweeney as the new Chair.

CORPORATE COLLECTIONS: Jason Molchanow is the new Executive Director, Senior Curator of the Arts Program, at JP Morgan Chase, over-seeing their great collection begun by **David Rockefeller**. Back in 1959,

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You gotta have heart - and art - for Valentine's Day

Plus, love—
and unfortunately hate, abound



Heart of the 'Hood by Felicia Dechter

Those folks over at the Old Town Triangle Assoc. [OTTA] just keep getting more and more creative. On Sunday, they held a stellar opening reception for "Love: In Real Life," a themed exhibit by multiple artists showcasing their views on something we're all looking for: Love.

The Leslie Wolfe Gallery at the Old Town Art Center, 1763 N. North Park Ave., unveiled the show, which displays the works of more than 20 artists who present their take on today's world of love in these (almost) post-pandemic times.

"It's a new twist for us," said Barb Guttman, director of Arts and Operations for the OTTA. "A themed show based on the calendar is not something we typically do. It's a lot of fun to try something new."

"We have to adjust - what we did in the past isn't guaranteed now," continued Guttman. "We want to be open to different approaches, while still encouraging artists -- young and old; professional and emerging."

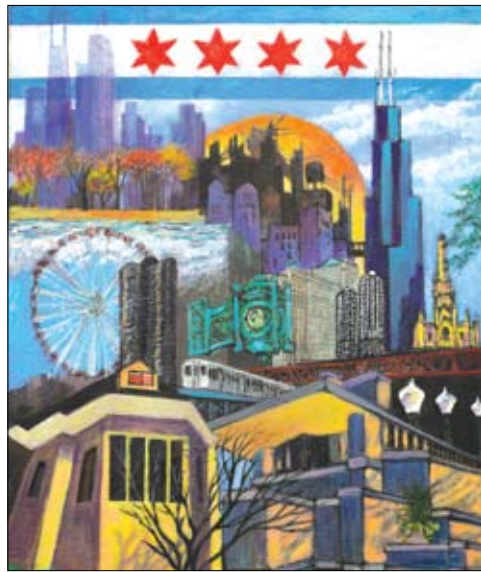
"It's fun and exciting and has a bit of the feeling of doing a high-wire act," she added. "Nothing is the same - no matter how much we want it to go back."

What's especially cool is that in addition to the theme, there's a one-time award that will be given later this month of \$500. Vote for your favorite piece and help the artist in their quest to win, through Feb. 18. Every person who attends is encouraged to cast a ballot for their favorite artwork -- it's the center's version of a People's Choice Award. The work with the most votes will be announced Feb. 24.

These artists all have wildly different takes on what love means to them, which is as expected due to their different backgrounds and ages, Guttman said. Be sure to check it out -- there's a wonderful variety of Polaroids, pencils, pastels, watercolors, drawings, oils and digital captures.

"To understand each artist's take, there is a listing of statements by each artist to help you, bring you along to where they are trying to take you," Guttman said.

Some of the exhibition's works are from known stalwarts of the gallery that we already know and love, such as renowned Old Town resident Norman Baugher. Oth-



(Left to right) Sandra Holubow gives her take on love with "Still, My Kind of Town." Artist Marcia Biasiello with her painting, Pink Moon.

ers are from artists that are emerging.

I loved the tale that goes with the work, "Untitled (diaries)" of School of the Art Institute student Xingyi Zhao, who used family memories to tell the tale of her piece:

"I inherited a huge bag of handspun and natural-dyed yarn from my grandmother," said Zhao. "The soft touch of these materials brings so many childhood memories with her: I would sit next to her and watch her knitting a blanket, and the sunlight pouring through the window."

"I decided to use these materials to make small tapestries to record my daily life, emotions, and memories," Zhao added. "There are unlimited possibilities inherent within the process of weaving, which allow me to make both the structure and the surface at once: the structure is in a very linear manner. This enables the act of time-passing to be very visible within the work, the warp and weft almost like the axis of time and space."

Another artist, one that I'm semi-familiar with, is Sandra Holubow, who created "Still, My Kind of Town," a painted collage of beloved landmarks from our city.

"One can't ignore how flawed our City is, but like all love, it's mixed with lots of hope," said Holubow.

The show runs through March 3. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.. Additional hours by appointment only.

Love, not hate ... I'm sure you probably heard about the recent hate crimes in West Rogers Park. Yellow swastikas were painted on a Jewish synagogue and a Jewish high school. Businesses, properties, and synagogues were damaged. Racial slurs were shouted.

All done by a man who apparently went



from Niles to do that?

The CBS report -- and this is very disturbing to me -- also said that Hussain's physical appearance was alarming. He wore a mustache similar to Adolf Hitler, and a red cape with a yellow swastika on it. He was screaming threats to, "Get the Jews and break all the windows of every synagogue," while making a motion like a Nazi salute.

Clearly some mental illness here, I'd have been terrified of him if he had crossed my path.

The news of the attack was of course disheartening. But on the flip-side, there is so much love coming out of the community and this city. I had to share what Ald. Maria Hadden [49th] said in her newsletter last Friday. It brought tears to my eyes.

More than a dozen-and-a-half faith and community leaders from all walks of life, and various religions and races, banded together and released a joint statement decrying the horrific acts. Here's what the group had to say. I'm going to name them afterward because I thank them all, from the bottom of my heart.

"As faith leaders, we are horrified to hear of the rash of anti-Semitic attacks in our neighborhoods over the weekend. We want to be very clear: we stand in solidarity and love with our Jewish siblings and always will. We unequivocally condemn these cowardly attacks and denounce the rise in white nationalist violence anywhere in Chicago and across the country. We stand together against the ongoing Insurrectionist movement, for when one member suf-

fered on a Jew-hating rampage.

As someone who is Jewish, it's hard to deny all this scary hatred in the world. And I know it's not just the Jewish people who are targeted by hate. Watch out if you're black, gay -- you know what I'm talking about.

According to a Feb. 1, CBS2 report, a 39-year-old Niles man was arrested and charged with four counts of felony hate crime, two felony counts of criminal defacement, and two felony counts of criminal damage to property.

Shahid Hussain apparently was out on parole and has a criminal record. His bail was set at \$250k. I'm hoping he's not one of these people who are going to get out quickly and just be at it again.

I'm also wondering, he came all the way

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Property taxes have nearly doubled in past decade



The Home Front

by Don DeBat

Tens of thousands of Chicago property owners recently received by mail the first installment of their 2021 real estate tax bills, due March 1.

The owner of a vintage brick 3-flat in Chicago's Old Town neighborhood will pay a first-installment bill of \$13,932. That represents 55% of the property's \$25,331 total 2020 real estate tax. In 2010 the owner paid a tax bill of \$17,657, up from \$12,059 in 2001.

What's worse, the second installment of the owner's 2021 tax bill, due around Aug. 1, is expected to be much higher following last year's reassessment.

Cook County Assessor Fritz Kaegi estimated that the fair market value on the 3-flat rose 38% to \$1,570,000 from \$1,137,100 in 2020. The assessed value jumped to \$157,001 from \$113,710.

A study by the Illinois Policy Institute, a nonpartisan research organization, found that Chicago property taxes rose 92.3% between 2010 and 2020.

Two years ago, Mayor Lori Lightfoot oversaw passage of a new city ordinance that promises beleaguered property owners a ticking time bomb—guaranteed annual real estate tax increases of

up to 5%, compounded annually.

"The mayor has all but guaranteed an increase in property taxes by some \$1 billion over the next four years," said Paul Vallas, former budget director for the city, and former CEO of Chicago Public Schools.

"Chicago taxpayers already pay the highest property taxes among all but two Midwestern cities, and the highest among large cities," Vallas noted.

Despite the pandemic, Assessor Kaegi said that the Near North Side—bounded by Fullerton Ave. on the north, Lake Shore Dr. on the east, and the Chicago River on the south and west—posted "surprisingly robust" real estate values in 2021.

In 2021, most Near North Side single-family homes ranged in market value from \$920,000 to \$1.59 million. Condo values ranged from \$270,000 to \$420,000.

The entire city of Chicago was reassessed in 2021. The assessment level is 10% of market value for residential property.

As a result, many North Side apartment building owners will be passing along hefty rent increases this year to pay the ex-



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pected sharply higher 2021 tax bills coming this summer.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, a massive stimulus from the federal government led to higher stock prices, growing housing values, and a boost in tax revenues for states and local governments, according to the Illinois Policy Institute.

While Chicago could have used part of the \$3.1 billion in windfall federal COVID-19 relief to freeze

property taxes, it did not.

"This year, the city's gross property-tax levy will increase by another 4.9%," said Orphe Divounguy, chief economist for the Illinois Policy Institute. "This is because the city's budget includes large increases in debt service and pension payments."

Pension-fund contributions increased by 24.7% from the prior year, Divounguy said. "That adds up to nearly \$1 billion in pension

spending increases since Lori Lightfoot became Chicago's mayor. Pension costs already exceed the city's total property-tax levy of \$1.7 billion this year."

Over the decade, the city's public pensions cost has increased 239%, while spending for city services only grew by 18% during that same period, Divounguy noted.

With inflation topping 7% in 2021—the highest rate in 40 years—the city's property tax levy "is likely to increase even more in 2022, and Chicagoans will face even larger property tax bills," Divounguy predicted.

"These looming property-tax hikes are the direct result of the absence of responsible budget-making at City Hall, in addition to the lack of regard for long-term financial planning or real budgetary contingencies," Vallas said.

For more housing news, visit www.dondebat.biz. Don DeBat is co-author of "Escaping Condo Jail," the ultimate survival guide for condominium living. Visit www.escapingcondojail.com.

Downtown's St. Patrick's Day Parade returns

Irish eyes - and feet - had trouble smilin' while being kept locked up these last two years, as one of Chicago's fondest traditions was cancelled: the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

The smiling will make its triumphant return in 2022, as the Downtown St. Patrick's Day Parade is a go for 2022... Hmmm, is there an election coming up?

As usual, the parade will feature every politician and candidate, and thousands of others who just want to join in on the fun, and most will stick around to see the annual dyeing of the Chicago River. Festivities are scheduled for Saturday, March 12. (The parade typically steps off at noon.)

The Parade route starts at Balbo and Columbus and follows Columbus Dr., then ends outside the Chicago Art Institute. The main viewing stand for the parade is lo-

cated in front of the Buckingham Fountain, while Grant Park at the start of the parade is also a popular spot to watch it pass by.

Both the Northwest Side and South Side Irish parades also plan to step off again this year, at noon Sunday, March 13.

Expect to see Irish dancers, bagpipes, drum groups, union groups, schools, churches and

community organizations - and yes those politicians - all marching in their best shades of Kelly Green. There might be some drinking too.

And as usual, the Plumbers Union will disperse 25 lbs. of dye to turn the waters of the Chicago River a lovely shade of green, in what is one of the most iconic images of Chicago lore.

The recommended viewing points for the dyeing are on the Michigan Ave. Bridge (East side), the Columbus Dr. Bridge (West side), and along Wacker Dr. between those two bridges.

There is also going to be a pub crawl downtown March 12 called Bourbon on Division, from noon to 6 p.m., ticket must be purchased in advance of the crawl.

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fers, we all suffer. We know it is a source of strength to do our work in neighborhoods known for their diversity and we denounce anyone who would seek to intimidate, harass, or abuse. With deepest love and gratitude to the Jewish community,"

Rev. Lindsey Long Joyce, United Church of Rogers Park; Rev. Kristin Loeks Jackson, Living Water Community Church; Rev. Hope Chernich, United Church of Rogers Park and Grace Church of Logan Square; Rev. Fred Kinsey, Unity Lutheran Church; Stephen Lamb, Living Water Community Church; Rev. Emily Heitzman, Ebenezer, Immanuel, and Unity Lutheran Churches; Cantor Shelly Friedman, Emanuel Congregation; The Very Rev'd Erika L. Takacs, Church of the Atonement; Rev. Juan Ángel Gutiérrez Rodríguez, Hispanic Congregation at North Shore Baptist Church; Deacon Chris Murphy, Loyola Univ. Chicago; Rev. Michael Ware, North Shore Baptist Church; Steven Betancourt, Assistant Director of Campus Ministry, Loyola Univ. Chicago; Allen Stryczek, St. Gertrude parishioner; Jane Steinfelds, Sacred Heart Schools; Omer M. Mozaffar, Muslim Chaplain, Loyola Univ. Chicago; Lisa Reiter, Ph.D., Director of Campus Ministry, Loyola Univ. Chicago;



Police seek man who allegedly yelled threats at North Side Jewish school students in January

Chicago police released these images of a man they are trying to identify in connection with the incident.

BY CWBCHICAGO

Chicago police are trying to identify a man who allegedly yelled profanities and threats at a teacher and students at a predominantly Jewish school on the North Side last month.

In a "seeking to identify" bulletin issued Feb. 5, Area Three detectives said the incident happened around 2:26 p.m. on Jan. 13 outside Yeshivas Tiferes Tzvi Academy, 6317 N. California, in West Ridge.

Police said the man yelled ob-

scenities and "all of you should be killed" at "young students" and a teacher as he walked past the school.

The suspect is about 6' tall and is in his 40s, according to the bulletin.

Anyone with information about the man can contact Detective Rodriguez at 312-744-8261.

It is not clear why the bulletin was not released until Feb. 5 when, according to CPD records, the police report was filed on Jan. 14.

Rev. Alka Lyall, Broadway UMC, Lakeview in Chicago; Mary Clare Barker, St Gertrude, Music Director; Dr. John Paul Salay, Loyola Univ. Chicago; The Rev. Michael Fick, Ebenezer Lutheran Church; the Rogers Park/West Ridge Historical Society, in solidarity with

the faith leaders named above and the Jewish community.

Thanks again to this group, and all the other people out there who demand tolerance and acceptance, and denounce intolerance and hate. Sending mad love to all of you this Valentine's Day.

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With election on horizon, violent crime has become major campaign issue

'Defund the police' is out; increased police spending the new 'hot'

BY GRACE KINNICUTT
Capitol News Illinois

We all have seen it, or heard the gossip. "Did you hear [fill in the name] was [fill in the crime] yesterday?"

The dramatic increase in quality of life crimes is at the top of most neighborhood conversations in Chicago these days, regardless if you're Downtown, in the Gold Coast, up in Rogers Park or down on the South Shore.

And it appears state officials too have seen the shift, and are moving fast to take protection within their own particular political situation.

One thing is for sure, the current trend for zero enforcement or punishment for criminal behavior is not helping any of the state's politicians get re-elected.

In Springfield, Senate Republicans unveiled an updated package of crime bills last week that they say will help curb violent crime and provide a morale boost to law enforcement.

It's substantially similar to the package the GOP introduced three months ago during the fall veto session to little fanfare from Democratic supermajorities in either chamber of the General Assembly.

"We were here in October to offer reasonable proposals to help reduce crime, but the Democrats who control Springfield have refused to act since then," Sen. Chapin Rose [51st], said at a Feb. 1 news conference. "We're here again, demanding the Democrats take action to protect the people of Illinois from the violence on our streets."

The proposal includes a "Fund the Police Grant Act" that would provide \$125 million in funding per year to local governments that will help with hiring, rehiring and retaining officers. Funding would help with the purchase of equipment and storage for body cameras along with other equipment designed to keep officers and communities safe and provide additional training.

Grants would be administered by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.

Asked about that provision at a separate news conference, Gov. JB Pritzker said his administration will "look at anything that we think will help address the problem of rising crime," but he said his budget proposal contained significant investments to address the "challenges that municipalities are having with crime."

That in January criminals dumped stolen cash registers right in front of Pritzker's Astor St. mansion means for him, the crime problem has literally hit home.

The governor's proposed budget for the fiscal year 2023 includes \$4.5 million to help fund body cameras for Illinois State Police in accordance with the Safety, Accountability, Fairness

and Equity-Today, or SAFE-T Act, passed in Jan. 2021.

The SAFE-T act overhauls police certification, reforms use-of-force standards, improves police accountability and abolishes cash bail beginning in 2023 in favor of a system that prioritizes risk of re-offending over an offender's ability to afford release.

In accordance with the SAFE-T Act, Pritzker proposed \$3.5 million in additional resources for ILETSB's operational costs, which include creating new trainings for officers and creating a public officer misconduct portal. Another \$10 million would go to ILETSB to provide grants for body cameras related to the SAFE-T Act's requirements.

But the law continues to face

strong opposition from Republican lawmakers.

Their package in response to rising crime also proposes mandatory sentences of 10 years to life for violent gun offenders, imposes a 10-year minimum on those who sell or give firearms to convicted felons, and requires defendants who commit aggravated battery against an officer or brings a weapon into a penal institution to serve at least 85% of their sentence.

And that is the very issue that seems bipartisan, bringing Democrats and Republicans together, they are each equally horrified by the fact violent gun offenders in Chicago seldom even spend even one day in jail before being released back out onto the streets.

"These measures are necessary to not only give law enforcement the tools that they need, but also to send a clear message – go after

Juveniles who commit crimes related to gun violence or violent carjackings could receive 10 years to life in prison, per the proposal.

our police and there will be consequences," Sen. Sue Rezin [38th] said.

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But Pritzker, in his budget ad-

dress, drew a stark contrast between his favored policies and those backed by the GOP.

"With the state and the nation experiencing a rise in violent crime, addressing public safety requires major investments. But too often those elected officials yelling the loudest about public safety concerns are also those voting to defund government budgets," said Pritzker. "Crime is a complex and multi-faceted problem to tackle, and it's cynical and counter-productive to simply shout 'Lock them up' while providing fewer resources to the people and programs that prevent crime in the first place."

His FY23 budget includes \$240

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Blommer building chocolate R&D lab at Merchandise Mart



Chocolate kitchen and demonstration area opening soon at Merchandise Mart. Photos courtesy of Blommer Chocolate Co.

BY STEVEN DAHLMAN
Loop North News

The science of chocolate is moving forward with a new research and development lab opening soon in River North. Blommer Chocolate Co. says the lab at Merchandise Mart will be open to the public. The new lab will have two kitchens – one for working with chocolate and the other for baking and frying. The chocolate kitchen, temperature and humidity-controlled and containing equipment needed for confectionery work such as moulding and panning, will open into a larger space and be used for training and demonstrations. The kitchen will be a collaborative space for use by the company and its customers starting in February.

“We are looking forward to hosting customers,” said Marie Loewen, Blommer’s R&D Corporate Manager. “The new lab



The new Blommer Chocolate Co. kitchen space will open later this month.

has been thoughtfully designed to be a functional workspace for the team with a welcoming atmosphere for collaborating with customers.”

Blommer is the largest cocoa processor and ingredient chocolate supplier in North America. One of its four plants is located at 600 W. Kinzie St. in River North.



(L) Marshmallows, caramels, and truffles. Oh, my! Chocolate treats by Katherina Anne Confections. Photo courtesy Tuan B & Co. (R) A dark milk chocolate snack made by Barry Callebaut that is plant-based and dairy-free.



Chicago chocolatiers spill the beans about favorite ways to eat chocolate

BY ELISA SHOENBERGER
Loop North News

With Valentine’s Day looming, we are naturally thinking of chocolate. Chocolate boxes, bon bons, hot chocolate, and other chocolate goodies to give to our loved ones, or to enjoy without them.

While many people think of chocolate in terms of dark, milk, white, and ruby, Chef Gabrielle Draper, Associate Manager of R&D Technical Culinary Applications at Barry Callebaut USA, based in River North, talked about how she likes a lesser-known mixture – dark milk chocolate.

Though less defined than other types of chocolate, dark milk chocolate, says Draper, is “generally a milk chocolate that’s a little higher in cacao percentage so it has a little more cocoa solids in it.”

She describes it as the best of both worlds: the creaminess of milk chocolate and the robustness of cocoa.

Dark milk chocolate has 40% to 45% more cocoa content than regular milk chocolate, according to Draper. She likes to pair the chocolate with one or two ingredients like coffee, caramel, nuts, and red fruits such as raspberries, strawberries, and cranberries. She advises against using dark milk chocolate for hot chocolate because melting it down and add-



“It’s a wonderful flavor base that can make so many other flavors shine,” says James Dattalo (right in photo). “Chocolate can give things like a salted caramel, trail mix bark, or chillies a completely different experience.”

ing milk will take away from its uniqueness.

But for Draper, it is important to think about eating chocolate as an experience. She cites the saying, “tasting isn’t the same as eating.”

She suggests taking a bite and letting the chocolate melt on your tongue to allow the assorted flavors in the chocolate to come through. Savor it and the texture; do you taste any nuttiness, caramel, fruitiness, or something else?

Chocolate enhances other flavors

Chocolate is extremely versatile for so many foods. James Dattalo, owner of The Fudge Pot in Old

Town, likes to use chocolate as a vessel for other flavors

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Given how cold Chicago gets during the winter, a nice hot chocolate might be a good balm to the frigid days. Dattalo says his first cocoa bomb – a chocolate ball that has edible things inside that dissolve in hot water or milk – of the winter changed his opinion of hot chocolate.

“The added melted dark choco-

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Inspector General finds City making it hard for public to get TIF spending details

A report by the Office of the Chicago Inspector General [OIG] released in January finds that the City of Chicago does not provide the public with all of the data required by the Tax Increment Funding [TIF] Sunshine Ordinance, and that the City declared surplus in accordance with the TIF Executive Order, but limited the amount considered for declaration.

"We also concluded that the City declared a TIF surplus in accordance with the Executive Order in 2020, but limited the amount to be considered for surplus declaration" the report states. "This limitation was a result of recording errors, a lack of consistency in reviewing projects, and the allowance of stagnant unspent funds."

While the City declared a TIF surplus in accordance with the 2020 Executive Order, it limited the amount considered for surplus declaration.

Chicago projected a \$304 million TIF surplus for 2021, a record high amount. (The 2022 surplus is projected to be \$271.6 million.)

Most TIF districts do not declare a surplus. The majority of the TIF surplus comes from a small handful of districts located near downtown. This is largely attributable to the fact that the downtown districts, which generally have the highest balances, are in the process of being "frozen" by the City. Most of their funds will be declared as a surplus and no new projects will be started within the districts, except for public infrastructure.

City Hall uses local property taxes collected through TIF districts to finance public and private projects designed to reduce urban blight by improving infrastructure, expanding the tax base, and/or fostering economic development.

As most of the property taxes collected now are used for employee benefits, and debt servicing, TIF's have become the City's primary funding vehicle for any new economic development. TIF districts basically do what property taxes were formerly intended to do, before all those taxes were committed to debt, pension and benefit servicing.

As of Dec. 2020, the Chicago Data Portal listed 327 TIF-supported private development projects since 1986, totaling \$3.3 billion in public subsidies.

The study shows that Chicago utilizes TIF far more extensively than any other large U.S. municipality. In 2019, there were 140 active TIF districts, covering about 25% of the City's area.

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Revenue from the Transit TIF generated over its lifetime is intended to repay a \$625 million federal-low interest loan the Chicago Transit Authority secured. But the TIF generated approximately \$150 million in 2020 alone. (The revenue figures for 2021 are not yet available.) So that TIF is well on its way toward creating massive surpluses over its 35-year lifetime.

However, most TIF funds in Chicago are not spent on private projects as originally intended, but on public improvements such as parks, transit facilities, schools, and infrastructure, with nearly 40% going to infrastructure projects. Only three percent of TIF spending went toward administration costs.

In 2009, to increase TIF transparency, City Council passed the TIF Sunshine Ordinance which requires the City to post certain data publicly.

The report shows that the City hosts three separate websites that contain publicly available data on TIF projects and

districts. These include the Citywide TIF Map and Project Locations website, which was substantially updated over the course of the audit. However, none of the websites contain all the data required by the ordinance.

Items such as sustainability requirements and economic disclosure statements are still missing for many projects.

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Regarding the missing data, The Chicago Dept. of Planning and Development [DPD] stated that they had, "already addressed many of the deficiencies and will continue to work through the missing records;" has begun efforts to create a centralized website; has relaunched its internal project management system, allowing data and documents to automatically upload to the Open Data Portal in the interim; and is committed to creating and adopting a written policy regarding the use of this system before the end of the first quarter.

The full report can be found online at bit.ly/TIFAudit.

OIG recommends that DPD upload the missing items required by the ordinance and make all TIF data available on a single website, develop a reliable system for managing project progress and documentation, and ensure that staff responsible for uploading data have access to the system.

OBM says that this year, there will be four TIF staff positions added, which should allow the City to perform a thorough analysis of all proposed and current TIF projects. OBM said they will also establish quarterly reviews of proposed and obligated projects.

How a TIF surplus is declared

A TIF surplus may comprise the balance remaining when a district expires or is repealed, or may be declared annually as part of a district's regular accounting and budget process.

The TIF Act requires municipalities, on an annual basis, to declare as a surplus and distribute to affected taxing districts any "moneys not required, pledged, earmarked, or otherwise designated for payment and securing of the obligations and anticipated redevelopment project costs."

Presently, DPD and Office of Budget and Management [OMB] collaborate on calculating and declaring the annual TIF surplus, to determine how much of each district's unallocated cash will be declared as a surplus in the following fiscal year.

OBM sends the declared annual TIF surplus amount to the Cook County Clerk the following year. OBM remits funds remaining in closed TIF districts, although the City alone determines whether and how much to declare as a TIF surplus, the amount is split among several government entities.

The County Treasurer is responsible for returning the share of a surplus owed to each taxing body. For instance, in 2020, the City projected it would receive about a quarter of the total TIF surplus, amounting to \$74.1 million. This surplus was used in part to balance its 2020 budget, which faced a shortfall of roughly \$800 million.

Many TIF observers, like the Civic Federation, think a surplus is not a reliable source of revenue, and that repeatedly declaring large surplus amounts suggests that TIF districts do not need this revenue to meet their redevelopment goals and should therefore be either terminated or reduced in size.

Those who wish to visit the TIF Districts dashboard to analyze TIF fund balances and surpluses by district or ward may visit <https://informationportal.igchicago.org/tax-increment-financing-districts/>.



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Letters to the Editor

City has no regard for people who aren't bikers

Regarding Thomas O’Gorman’s column on Feb. 2 where he complains about turning streets into bike thoroughfares, I thoroughly agree. The same thing is happening in my neighborhood on Leland Ave. The Dept. of Transportation and the Active Transportation Alliance seem to be in bed together. I joke that they will not be happy until every street in Chicago becomes a bike path or bus lane. In their Zoom meetings, they give

no regard to people who are not bikers and who depend on cars to get around. At these meetings, it always seems like a done-deal and their requesting feedback is just a show.

I’m just waiting for a big accident between pedestrians, bikers and cars on these shared streets.

Mario Caruso
Lincoln Square

Composing film scores was their lifeline

I’ve been trying to wrap my head around Thomas J. O’Gorman’s critique of WFMT [Jan. 19-25], particularly for playing movie soundtracks. Here is a partial list of some composers who didn’t turn their noses up at writing film scores:

- Jacques Ibert (Orson Welles’ “Macbeth,” 1948)
- Dmitri Shostakovich (“New Babylon,” 1929; “The Golden Mountains,” 1931; “The Tale of the Silly Little Mouse,” 1940). He also provided previous compositions for films of “Hamlet” and “King Lear.”
- Leonard Bernstein (“On the Town,” 1949; “On the Waterfront,” 1954; “West Side Story,” 1961 – based on the Broadway production)

- Aaron Copland (“Of Mice and Men,” 1939; “Our Town,” 1940; “The Heiress,” 1949)
- John Williams (“Schindler’s List,” 1993; “Jaws,” 1975; “Star Wars,” etc.)

Most disturbing of all is O’Gorman’s dismissal of refugees from Nazi Germany such as Erich Wolfgang Korngold. Composing rich memorable film scores, they gained an income lifeline that enabled them to compose and perform symphonic music.

As for Bach, I’ll bet he’d have been delighted to see a film dramatization of his “Coffee Cantata.”

Hallie Metzger
Gold Coast

Love is the central experience

Valentine’s Day gives all people a chance at love - self and others. Particularly at a time when the planet is suffering from a dreadful virus, which has isolated us all.

What a way to cause people to feel depressed, anxious and hopeless. At what time might we need each other more than now?

Let’s take this time to come closer, and embrace those things and people that we value the

most. Why would we not take this opportunity to bring those of us in this troubled world closer together?

So enjoy every way you can and celebrate the unique specialness of Valentine’s Day, and let love be the central experience.

Leon Hoffman
Lakeview East

New Chicago wildlife plan may help people and animals coexist

The Lincoln Park Zoo’s Urban Wildlife Institute [UWI] partnered with the City of Chicago and Chicago Animal Care and Control [ACC] to establish a humane, and science-based wildlife management plan to enable human and wildlife coexistence across the city’s diverse urban spaces.

Developed by a research network of UWI scientists, the new Chicago Wildlife Management and Coexistence Plan equips the public and city officials with way to humanely cohabitate and facilitate a thriving urban ecosystem across the city. This plan also hopes to serve as a template for other cities across the country to model in the pursuit of responsible, urban wildlife conservation.

As major urban networks like Chicago continue to grow, a variety of species have adapted to these built environments and require innovative approaches to maintain healthy coexistence. These animals include bats, bees, geese, chipmunks, coyotes, deer, opossums, rabbits, raccoons, red foxes, rock doves, skunks, snakes and squirrels.

“Wildlife plays a critical role in urban environments, and we use science-based approaches to enable our coexistence with wildlife, ensuring both humans and animals can thrive,” said Seth Magle, Ph.D., Director of the UWI at the zoo. They plan to collaborate with the city on this plan and “provide our Chicago neighbors with practical and humane approaches to preserve wildlife. Whether it is a skunk in your yard or a deer in your alley, this new



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Photo by Sheila Swann

plan provides the tools to observe and respect the wildlife in our own backyards.”

As major urban networks like Chicago continue to grow, a variety of species have adapted to these built environments and require innovative approaches to maintain healthy coexistence.

Chicago has has tried to embraced its role as a hub for wildlife, with its commitment to green space, conservation, and coexistence policies. Following Daniel Burnham’s initial plan for the city, Chicago has been integrating nature into the urban ecosystem, and prioritized expansive recre-

ation and green space.

“Anyone in Chicago can begin taking small steps towards improving interactions with urban wildlife as early as today,” said Mamadou Diakhate, Executive Director, ACC. “It can be as easy as properly stashing your trash, keeping your distance when possible, limiting your footprint in green areas, and (calling) 311 to protect and preserve the wild animals in Chicago.”

The city now boasts an unusually large variety of wildlife populations when compared to most other major cities and claimed to be committed to the conservation of this wildlife, with initiatives, including the Lights Out Chicago program, an approach to protecting migratory birds and bats who traverse the city during migration periods.



Savor Lincoln Park, returns to Theater on the Lake, 2401 N. Lake Shore Dr., 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, March 22.

Photos by Timothy M. Schmidt



Savor Lincoln Park food fest returns for 2022

The popular indoor food festival Savor Lincoln Park, returns to Theater on the Lake 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, March 22.

Savor Lincoln Park is a one-of-a-kind indoor neighborhood food festival held at one of the best locations on the North Lakefront, featuring delicious bites and samples from Lincoln Park’s restaurants and bars against the backdrop of Chicago’s iconic skyline.

Taking place at Theater on the Lake, 2401 N. Lake Shore Dr., the festival is presented by the Lin-

coln Park Chamber of Commerce [LPCC] and will also features a silent auction including experiences and gift cards from some of Chicago’s favorite stores, restaurants, and attractions.

“Savor Lincoln Park is one of our favorite events of the year,” said Kim Schilf, President and CEO of the LPCC. “We are thrilled to be back in person, and highlighting Lincoln Park’s incredible culinary scene.”

Tickets are on sale now: Early Bird tickets available through

Sunday, Feb. 20 are \$32, while tickets available through midnight on Friday, March 18 are \$40. Last Minute tickets available through 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 22 are \$50. If available, onsite tickets are \$55.

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(L) The single-room occupancy Jonquil Hotel is the temporary home to New Life Interim Shelter residents and a lifesaving affordable home to others. It is the only SRO in the city that allows families. *Photo by Bob Kitsos* (R) Last year a community member and friends collected more than 10 boxes of new clothing items for New Life residents. Second from left is Christina Calderon, director of development, Good News Partners. Third from left is Ernesta Williams, resident coordinator supervisor, New Life Interim Housing.



Pandemic has intensified need for volunteers, funds and resources for area homeless

New Life aims to restore hope, dignity and community

BY BOB AND JOANNE KITSOS

Standing in the one-room, 1920's-era converted auto shop in Rogers Park, it may be difficult to imagine it as a renovated New Life Interim Shelter.

But it's easy for Kenn Johnson, executive director of Good News Partners [GNP], to visualize the renovated shelter with 40 beds for individuals who are homeless or in immediate crisis. GNP is the parent organization of New Life Interim Shelter.

GNP was founded in 1976 by Bud Ogle to support youth in Rogers Park. The community development organization is committed to providing access to affordable housing, economic development and education to those in need transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency.

New Life is the smallest and one of the few family shelters in the city; there are only two others on the North Side. Families — generally women with children — who were previously housed in the shelter have been temporarily relocated to another nearby property until New Life is renovated. “We mostly serve South Side residents who are directed to us [from 311] to get out of the environment they’re currently in,” Johnson said.

Johnson said renovations will include air conditioning, all new electrical and plumbing, six private and ADA-approved bathrooms, a new kitchen, computer lab, a case management office and kids’ playroom.

Cost of the renovation is expected to be about \$800,000; initial funds for the project were raised by church partners, corporate businesses and individuals. In addition, GNP took out a loan to fund some of the renovation and continues to fundraise

for the project as cost of materials has increased during the pandemic.

The pandemic has intensified the need for volunteers and made fundraising more difficult. “We haven’t been able to have as many events in person which has always been a great way to get our neighbors and partners involved,” said Christina Calderon, director of development for GNP.

Partners offer support

New Life partners with various organization to help residents with job training skills and counseling to support them as they rebuild their lives. Howard Area Community Center offers GED classes, computer skills and connections to domestic violence advocates. Garrett Evangelical Seminary and graduate students from Spring Tree Counseling provide group and one-on-one therapy.

New Life also partners with C24/7, a north-of-Howard community organization; and Chicago HOPES for Kids to provide after-school programming and events. Other partnering organizations are Greater Chicago Food Depository; Chicago Recovering Communities Coalition for residents who are struggling with recovery; and Heartland Alliance for health-related services.

Johnson also praised the efforts of Ald. Maria Hadden [49th] and former Ald. Joe Moore for supporting the shelter and serving as excellent resources.

Calderon cited a recent example of assistance offered by GNP and its community partners to support New Life residents. She said, “An undocumented Venezuelan woman and her five-year-old son came to us that had been caught up in the middle of the country’s border crisis.

“The mother had been separated from her son and were finally reunited,” she con-



Kenneth Johnson is executive director of Good News Partners, a community development organization that owns and manages New Life Interim Shelter. More than 40 years ago Good News Partners chose the area north of Howard St. to build a community that includes affordable housing.

Photo courtesy of Good News Partners

tinued. “They are now homeless, staying in New Life, speak no English and are trying to become citizens.

“The team at GNP is very diverse. We have Spanish-speaking personnel who have been communicating with her and trying to help her feel welcome and at home while she’s adrift in a homeless situation and having no documentation. We have enrolled her son in school and are bringing her to court to try and help with her citizenship status.”

Volunteer, material needs

Calderon says that volunteers always are needed to help with painting, meal preparation and administrative tasks, “During the summer we had landscaping teams help us

beautify our front lawns and service teams help us put together beds and paint rooms,” she said. During various holidays, many churches provided meals and activities for families residing in the shelter.

Residents who leave the shelter often move to another one of GNP’s properties, a single-room occupancy hotel in Rogers Park. “These rooms are always in need of paints,” Calderon said. “To fix up rooms, we need vinyl-floating flooring, lighting and plumbing fixtures and door hardware. We also can always use 18 cubic-foot refrigerators, gas stoves and small micro-waves.”

Renovation needs continue with structural projects as well. “We desire to create new partnerships with local business to help with roofing, tuck-pointing, windows, door and carpenters,” she said.

GNP has other long-term needs that would provide additional services to its residents, such as a dedicated social worker or case manager. “A majority of our residents have trauma from being homeless and struggle with different types of mental illness,” Calderon said. “We also want to be able to provide more housing support to our residents by offering home and senior care.”

As an example, she cited a current situation with a mother of three autistic children. Her husband died recently, and the family became homeless after a fire in their home. “They desperately need home care services for the children because it’s too hard for the mom to take care of three kids with special needs,” Calderon said.

Kelvin Johnson, program director, New

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he established the firm's Art at Work Program. It's one of the nation's most prestigious art collections. Bravo, Jason.

PLAYLIST: Chicago Sinfonietta is celebrating Black History Month with a playlist that highlights (some of) their own curated must-listen-to works by **William Dawson**, **Margaret Bonds**, **William Grant Still** and more. On May 14 and 16 American violinist **Melissa White** returns to Chicago Sinfonietta to perform in not one, but two works: Butterfly Lovers Violin Concerto by **CHEN Gang / HE Zhanhao** and **Antonín DVOŘÁK's** Slavonic Dances, Op. 46 No. 8 where she is joined by Chicago's very own Clinard Dance.

APPLAUSE STILL: **Joanie Pallatto** and **Janice Misurell-Mitchell** are cheered for their

patriotic World Premiere of "Night of the Living Flag," at the Green Mill, for Composer **George W. Flynn's** 85th Birthday New Music Concert.

ST. PATRICK'S PARADE QUEEN: The news, now, is historic. Chicago Police Officer **Kelley Leyden** is the 2022 St. Patrick's Day Parade Queen. The new Queen and her court, **Eileen, Grace, Casey** and **Mary Clare**, are exceptional. First time a Chicago Cop was been chosen Queen. All will figure prominently in America's grandest march, the 67th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, set to unfold on Saturday, March 12, at High Noon.

SUNDANCE: Congrats to **Connor Smith**, longtime Chicago newsy **Anne Kavanagh's** son, NYU grad and talented film editor, whose film, *The Exiles*, won top prize at the recent Sundance Film Festival. Connor was chief of photography and editor in chief. Former Glenbard South classmates **Kevin Mathein** and **Dan Chmielinski**, plus teacher-mentor **Mark Ferguson**, were all part of the film team.

GIBSON'S STEAKHOUSE: In lieu of their annual, in-person "Gibsons' & Catholic Charities Luncheon in Memory of **Dave Cacioppo**," Gibson's folk assembled and delivered lunch-to-go for 600 participants at six Catholic Charities program locations.

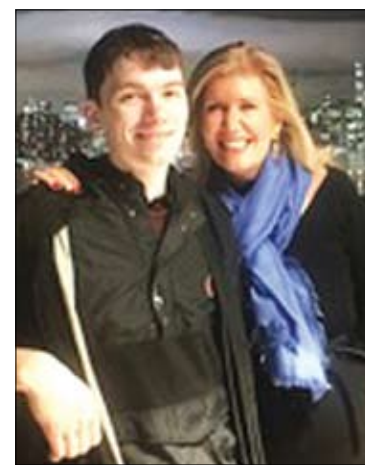
A THOROUGHbred: The late **Richard L. Duchossois** once commanded a tank unit for **General George Patton**. With the same courage and patriotism he brought to life in the Sport of Kings. Rest easy sir.

WRITER'S CORNER: Chicago author **Sherrill Bodine** excited to find out that three of her Regency Novels are available in paperback from Target online.

CRITIC SUPREME: **Richard Christiansen**, an elegant writer with a heart for the arts, really helped to revive Chicago's love for theater performance.



Kelley Leyden



Connor Smith and Anne Kavanagh.



Richard Christianson

Neighbors smell a rat on two wheels

Since digging deeper we've discovered that the source of the movement to turn Wood St. in Wicker Park and East Village into a one-mile bike route, is not Ald. Brian Hopkins [2nd], but that of Ald. Daniel La Spata [1st].

Spata's ward borders Hopkins' ward space, and both have portions of Wood St.

The proposal would turn Wood St. from Grand Ave. to Ellen St. into a northbound one-way to accommodate the bike lanes. Traffic currently flows in both directions on that stretch.

But now residents who live on the street or nearby are not happy finding out about the plan late in the game.

Apparently despite their excuses, La Spata and

his people intentionally kept the decision making hidden, and went to great lengths to poorly publicize the bike route plan that bans traffic in the neighborhood's only north/south two way street.

Now with the word finally on the street, during a Feb. 2 community meeting hosted by the Wicker Park Committee, La Spata said this decision would be "vetted, reviewed and engineered" by the Chicago Dept. of Transportation.

Residents are also upset that the names and identities of actual ward residents who reportedly pushed the issue through the ward's aldermanic menu wish list have been concealed. At the meet-

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With a literary and musical ear he dipped deep into what was always best as a critic. The Tribune was his home, but Chicago was his earth on which his artistic soul best dwelt. He wanted us to see what he saw for ourselves. He died at 90 last week. A real Chicago gentleman.

NEW BOOK: Streeterville's **Richard Rose** wowing the crowds at the Elks Lodge, VFW Hall and Moose Lodge at Lake Manitou in Rochester, IN, reading from his new book "Retribution." It's filled with captivating stories about the strange goings-on at Lake Tippecanoe. Rose's passion for creative writing began during a small-town boyhood in Kokomo, IN, where basketball,

teen dances and too many greasy French fries from Indiana Beach were followed with a BA degree at Wabash College. Get the book and read all of it. Today his beautiful wife **Kay** has a passion too... keeping Rich healthy, so no more greasy French fries.

CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: "Casablanca" in Concert. The CSO will perform the film's score live with the film February 11-13 at Symphony Center at 7:30 pm.

PAX: **Patricia Collins Horne**, a Smith Alum and socially active Catholic has died. The longtime entrepreneur and Winnetka Chamber of Commerce president, operated Multiple Choices, a shop specializing in colorful, practical imported accessories and tablewares. She gave employment to countless young folk and Winnetka friends. Left a large imprint wherever she went.

WHO'S WHERE: Lake Forest's **J. Christopher Reyes**, co-chair of Rosemont-based beer-and-food distributor Reyes Holdings, who purchased the late financier **Richard Driehaus' Lake Geneva** estate for \$36 million... **Joe Gill** and **Colleen Kelly Gill** birthdaying in Key Largo, FL, at the Fish House... **Meaghan Griffin Kenney** and **Whynnis Mackie** noshing at Luxbar... **Bob Dobnick** and **Chadwick Godfrey** dining at Zin American Bistro in Palm Springs, CA... **Mark Olley** says, "It might

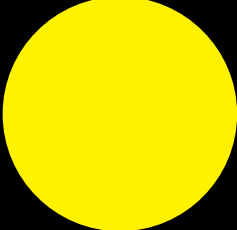
just be the chicest book club in town, **Nena Ivon** and the monthly Fashion Book Club, virtual... Chicago remembers **Annunziata Palese** (87), who co-founded Nancy's, the home of the original stuffed pizza in Chicago... **Bill Zwecker** and **Tom Gorman** with **Ali Chapman**, **Zurich Esposito** and **Brian McCormick** in Palm Desert, CA... Maestro **Stanley Paul** putting together one of his fabulous charcuterie platters in Palm Desert, CA... Old Town's fabulous **Shirley Baugher** and artist husband **Norman Baugher** had **Ben Savage** and **Jeff Inasiti** for a cozy dinner and everyone was on kitchen duty... **Heather Farley** and **Bruce Ingram** lunching at Gibson's with **Mamie Walton**, while at a table nearby, **Barb Bailey** and **Carolina Brito** caught singing Happy Birthday for **María José Cabrera Paulí**... **Janet Owen** with hairdresser **Pamela Smith** looking fab... **Elyse Kennard**, **Sally Jo Pfaff**, **Carolyn Palmer**, **Carolyn Curry**, **Belvon Walker**, **Sheila Chalmers-Curran** and **Joyce Kenner** at chic Le Colonial.

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Police Beat...

Three-hour violent crime spree ended with murder of driver on Kennedy Expy.

Prosecutors on Feb. 1 charged a Rogers Park man with participating in a four-hour violent crime spree one year ago that started with a robbery, progressed to a carjacking, and ended with the murder of a man who was driving on the Kennedy Expy. near Division St.



Darnay Washington

Darnay Washington, 31, was on bond for three misdemeanor cases at the time of the alleged crimes, which investigators linked to him through ballistics testing and DNA they allegedly found on a Wendy's soft drink cup inside the hijacked vehicle.

Police got a big break in the case when they arrested Washington on a bench warrant for one of those misdemeanor cases three days after he allegedly killed Vilut Gavrilas on the Kennedy on the evening of Jan. 30, 2021, according to the allegations.

When cops arrested Washington in the lobby of his apartment building on the 6600 block of N. Sheridan, they allegedly found a loaded 9-millimeter handgun in a black bag he was carrying over his shoulder.

During a bond hearing the next day, a prosecutor said Washington told police he found the gun and kept it for protection. He eventually went home on electronic monitoring. The case is still pending, according to court records.

Investigators sent the gun out for ballistics testing that, one year later, would play a key role in bringing murder charges against him.

On Tuesday, Assistant State's Attorney James Murphy said Washington and two still-unidentified men committed a series of violent crimes that culminated in the murder.

Murphy said that the trio first entered a smoke shop on the 4400 block of N. Milwaukee and violently robbed the store at gunpoint. One offender grabbed the cashier by his throat as the others displayed guns and gathered merchandise and cash.

Video cameras recorded the incident, including when Washington stole a hookah bong from a shelf, Murphy continued. Police found the bong and other merchandise from the smoke shop when they executed a search warrant at his apartment three days after the robbery, Murphy said.

After the robbery, the men climbed into an Infiniti and left the scene, only to drive their car into a woman's Nissan Rogue as she drove on the 5200 block of W. Cullom about five minutes later, according to Murphy.

The 33-year-old woman got out of her SUV to check for damage, only to be confronted by Washington and one of the other men, who were both pointing handguns at her, Murphy said. Washington got in the driver's seat and the men drove away with her SUV accompanied by the Infiniti, according to the allegations.

Later, as a snowstorm hit the city, the hijacked Rogue tried to pass Gavrilas, 37, who was driving slowly on the unplowed inbound

Kennedy Expy.

Gavrilas' dashcam was recording as he steered toward the Division St. ramp while the Rogue's driver continued to try to pass him on the left and right. Eventually, Gavrilas opened his door to block the Rogue's path and he began yelling at the Rogue's driver, Murphy said.

That's when the Rogue's passenger-side window lowered and someone inside the hijacked SUV fired three shots at Gavrilas, killing him, said Murphy. The Rogue passed Gavrilas' car and turned onto Division St. Gavrilas' car crashed on the Division St. ramp.



Vilut Gavrilas
CCSO; Benson Family Funeral Home

Investigators linked a series of CPD surveillance camera feeds to track the Rogue from the shooting scene to the 1700 block of N. Sawyer. All three offenders involved in the earlier crimes were seen switching between the Rogue, the Infiniti, and two other cars over the next two hours, Murphy said.

The Illinois State Police eventually found the hijacked Nissan and recovered two shell casings and a Wendy's soft drink cup from inside. Murphy said DNA on the cup matched Washington. One of the bullets recovered from Gavrilas' body and one of the shell casings found inside the Rogue came from the gun police found in Washington's bag three days after the murder, he alleged.

ISP also found the Infiniti. It was registered to Washington's mother, and documents belonging to Washington were found in the car, Murphy said.

Washington received a nine-year sentence for armed robbery in 2014 and was discharged from parole in late October 2020, about three months before the alleged crime spree took place.

Assistant Public Defender Dylan Barrett said Washington is a practicing catholic, the primary caregiver for an 11-year-old, and he just learned that he has another child on the way. There is no proof that Washington fired the shots that killed Gavrilas, Barrett argued. He asked Judge Kelly McCarthy to place Washington on electronic monitoring.

Instead, McCarthy granted a state request to hold Washington without bail.

He is charged with first-degree murder, aggravated vehicular hijacking, and armed robbery.

Two arrested after robbers take woman's car in Edgewater

Two suspects are in custody after they robbed a woman and stole her car in Edgewater on Jan. 31, police said. The details of the hold-up are similar to a robbery in Ravenswood on Jan. 29.

Police said the victim, a 51-year-old woman, was walking on the 5500 block of N. Kenmore when three male offenders confronted her around 10:50 p.m. They went into her pocket, took her car keys, and drove away with her 2015 Lincoln sedan, according to a police report.

Cops later located the car on the South Side, and three men ran from the vehicle after arriving on the 7000 block of S. Princeton. Officers arrested two of them.

In the Ravenswood incident, three offenders approached a woman from behind on the 4500 block of N. Paulina and demanded her property around 5:40 p.m. Jan. 29, CPD spokesperson Kellie Bartoli said. The group then used her car keys to unlock her orange Hyundai Tuscon,

which they took.

Police have not publicly linked the two crimes. Area Three detectives are handling both investigations.

Homeless man shot under Mag Mile bridge

A man is in good condition after being shot under the Michigan Ave. bridge at Grand Ave. on Feb. 1, according to Chicago police. No arrests have been made.

Officers posted on the Mag Mile radioed that they heard gunfire near Ohio and Michigan at 12:48 a.m.

About 20 minutes later, the victim was found in the doorway of a gas station on the 600 block of N. LaSalle with gunshot wounds to his right arm, according to police and a CPD report.

The victim, who said he was homeless but initially refused to identify himself to police, told officers he was on the sidewalk in the 100 block of E. Grand when he heard gunfire and realized he had been shot.

Officers found shell casings and blood near some belongings under the Michigan Ave. bridge a short time later. An ambulance took the victim to Northwestern Memorial Hospital for treatment.

He is the third person shot in the Near North 18th District this year. That compares to one victim at this time in 2019, three in 2020, and one last year.

Cops seek suspect in Brown Line train robbery



Police released these surveillance images of a person they're trying to identify in connection with a robbery at the Sedgwick Brown Line station.

Chicago police released surveillance images on Feb. 3 of a suspect who is wanted for allegedly robbing a Brown Line passenger on the North Side last week.

Police said the victim was seated on the train at 3:52 p.m. Thursday, January 27, when the offender took his phone by force and fled at the Sedgwick station, 1536 North Sedgwick, in Old Town.

Anyone with information about the case can contact CPD Mass Transit detectives at 312-745-4443 regarding case #JF-126541.

Kicked out of Jewel-Osco bar, concealed carry holder shot another patron who tried to defuse the situation

A concealed carry holder who was kicked out of an Old Town grocery store's bar on Jan. 29 shot another customer who tried to defuse the situation, prosecutors said during a bond court hearing Feb. 1. But the licensed gun owner is not charged with shooting the other man, at least not yet.

Instead, prosecutors charged Kirby Buchanan, 51, with misdemeanor counts of carrying a concealed firearm while under the influence and criminal trespass to real property. A CPD spokesperson said the shooting investigation remains active.

Police responded to a call of a person shot behind the Jewel-Osco, 102 W. Division, at 4:24 p.m. and found a 32-year-old man with a gunshot wound to his back, according to police.

The store's bartender told police that she cut off service to one of her regulars and kicked him out, Assistant State's Attorney Summer Gregory said. Buchanan refused to leave and began arguing with the bartender until another patron stepped in to defuse the situation.

Buchanan and the other patron, who would later be shot, agreed to take their fight outside the store, and the shooting unfolded minutes later, according to Gregory.

She said the altercation and shooting were captured on surveillance video.

Police arrested Buchanan at his home near the Jewel store about an hour after the shooting.



Kirby Buchanan

17 years and served in the U.S. Army for 20 years.

Judge Maryam Ahmad set bail at \$5,000, meaning Buchanan must pay a \$500 deposit to get out of jail. She also ordered him to surrender all guns and his firearm licenses to police and stay away from the Jewel-Osco until his case is resolved.

Police continue to investigate the shooting, but prosecutors have declined to pursue charges in other cases that they believed involved self-defense, "mutual combatants," and justifiable actions.

Catalytic converter thief's luck runs out

Darrian Russell's good luck streak came to an abrupt end last week.

You may remember Russell. He's the guy who allegedly had 26 sawed-off catalytic converters in the back of his vehicle in late December — three weeks after he was arrested for stealing a catalytic converter in Edgewater.

Prosecutors charged him with misdemeanors both times, and he pleaded guilty in exchange for a two-day sentence in the earlier matter.

Russell's luck ran out on Jan. 31 when parole officers showed up to inspect his West Side home. He has been on parole since June for driving on a suspended license with more than four previous convictions.



Darrian Russell

Assistant State's Attorney Loukas Kalliantasis said officers found a loaded 9-mm handgun with a laser sight attached inside Russell's kitchen cabinets as Russell sat on a nearby countertop. Authorities arrested him on the spot.

Russell, 36, who has eight previous felony convictions, including one for being a felon in possession of a firearm, is now charged with Class X felony armed habitual criminal charges. The Illinois Dept. of Corrections is also moving to revoke his parole. His attorney argued that he is not the only person who lives in the home, although he was reportedly the only one there when parole agents conducted their inspection.

Judge Mary Marubio ordered him

held without bail at IDOC's request. She set bail on the new allegations at \$25,000 with electronic monitoring. She added \$1,000 bail for violating the terms of bond in the case involving 26 catalytic converters.

Stolen catalytic converters are usually sold to unscrupulous scrapyards that value the small amounts of precious metals inside the pollution-control devices.

In November, police said a concealed carry holder who interrupted a catalytic converter theft in progress on the 2900 block of N. Wolcott in Lakeview returned fire after two thieves opened fire on him.

One of the thieves, Darion Blackman, 25, died. The other gunman and a third accomplice escaped. Blackman was killed two months after being released on bail for illegal gun possession.

While the concealed carry holder has been cleared of wrongdoing, homicide investigators continue to pursue the thieves who got away, according to a law enforcement source.

Woman shot in River North

A two-hour violence spree downtown area early Sunday appears to have claimed one more victim than police initially realized.

The new information came from CPD after a 22-year-old woman walked into Mount Sinai Hospital Feb. 6 with a gunshot wound to her leg that she said she suffered in River North around 3:12 a.m., according to a CPD statement.

She said she was on the first block of W. Hubbard, near the intersection of Hubbard and Dearborn, when she heard gunfire and realized she had been shot in the leg, police said.

The timing of the incident aligns almost perfectly with a "shots fired" incident outside LiqrBox, a late-hours bar at 873 N. Orleans.

In that case, police found several shell casings, and witnesses told officers that a man fled in a silver Range Rover after firing shots around 3:15 a.m.

If police determine that the shooting occurred at the Hubbard Street location, she will be the third person shot in River North this year. That will put the neighborhood's shooting pace well ahead of where it stood at this point last year, when there was one victim. There were no shooting victims in River North until March of 2020 and 2019.

Area Three detectives are working the case.

Burberry raiders escape with coats, purses after attempts fail at two nearby stores

After shoplifting raids failed at two popular targets near the Magnificent Mile on Feb. 5, one of the city's ubiquitous theft mobs succeeded in taking about \$10,000 worth of merchandise from the crime-weary Burberry store, 633 N. Michigan, a couple of hours later, according to a CPD report.

Three men wearing masks and

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ing neighbors demanded details about the decision-making process and questioned whether he and his office adequately publicized the vote ahead of time to make sure enough residents were aware of it. With very little public awareness of the issue, neighborhood residents, property owners and non-bicyclists say they were kept in the dark on the issue.

The alderman claims to have handed out fliers at train stations and used social media to com-

municate the plan, but neighbors say they made no effort to contact residents or businesses in the vicinity of Wood St., even something as simple as delivering fliers door-to-door.

Many ward residents think La Spata offered feeble excuses for the outcome that appears to have been pushed through with little to no community debate, to ensure passage of the proposal. Neighbors are also angry that La Spata's ward menu process only allows for residents to vote in favor of issues, and has no option to

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No attempt was made to ensure neighborhood homeowners were fully aware of what was proposed.

With only 67 people supporting the initiative, La Spata says the process of approval must honor the decision to take away an important street from 1st and 2nd Wards.

In taking only the advice of a few biking enthusiasts and the

Active Transportation Alliance, the alderman has really stepped in it with most of his constituents. The majority of those who use Wood St. everyday were caught unaware, and they're not happy about it. La Spata may be making himself popular with the bike crowd, but he has unleashed the vast majority of voting homeowners who now stand against the idea.

Area residents are now demanding that Hopkins not allow a neighboring alderman to ransack the 2nd Ward.

Lakeview Township Real Estate For Sale

Real Estate For Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING
Plaintiff,
-v.-
ROGER D. HALE JR. AKA ROGER DALE HALE JR., HEATHER B. HALE AKA H B HALE, WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, GREENVIEW GARDENS CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants
19 CH 12426
7633 N GREENVIEW AVE UNIT A
CHICAGO, IL 60626
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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 15, 2021, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 25, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 030R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 7633 N GREENVIEW AVE UNIT A, CHICAGO, IL 60626
Property Index No. 11-29-107-038-1002
The real estate is improved with a residential condominium.

The judgment amount was \$209,751.78.

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Defendants

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Property Index No. 14-05-115-026-1003

The real estate is improved with a yellow brick, three story condominium with no garage.

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, including the Judicial Sale fee for the 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 residential 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 Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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

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

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For information, The sales clerk, LOGS Legal Group LLP Plaintiff's Attorneys, 2121 WAUKEGAN RD., SUITE 301, Bannockburn, IL, 60015 (847) 291-1717 For information call between the hours of 1pm - 3pm.. Please refer to file number 19-091729.

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Attorney File No. 19-091729

Attorney Code. 42168

Case Number: 19 CH 11903

TJSC#: 41-3363

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Case # 19 CH 11903

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF BCAP LLC TRUST 2007-AA4

Plaintiff,

-v.-

DEBBIE PINES MANSFIELD, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., THE AMBIANCE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, LAWRENCE MANSFIELD A/K/A LAWRENCE J. MANSFIELD, CHICAGO TITLE LAND TRUST COMPANY, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO COLE TAYLOR BANK AS TRUSTEE UNDER TRUST AGREEMENT DATED AUGUST 10, 2004 AND KNOWN AS TRUST NUMBER 01-041170, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

Defendants

09 CH 35324

545 WEST ALDINE AVENUE, UNIT 6E

CHICAGO, IL 60657

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 13, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on February 28, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 030R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 545 WEST ALDINE AVENUE, UNIT 6E, CHICAGO, IL 60657

Property Index No. 14-21-312-053-1029

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$3,762,949.10.

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, including the Judicial Sale fee for the 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 residential 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 Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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For information, HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 392328.

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Attorney File No. 392328

Attorney Code. 40387

Case Number: 19 CH 12426

TJSC#: 41-3076

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Case # 19 CH 12426

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION

PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION

Plaintiff,

-v.-

JOSEPH S. HOFF, THE 6334 NORTH SHERIDAN CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

Defendants

19 CH 11903

6334 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD UNIT 1D

CHICAGO, IL 60660

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on December 15, 2021, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 16, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 030R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 6334 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD UNIT 1D, CHICAGO, IL 60660

Property Index No. 14-05-202-018-1036

The real estate is improved with a condominium.

The judgment amount was \$123,423.60.

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, including the Judicial Sale fee for the 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 residential 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 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.

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Case # 19 CH 11903

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION

CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC

Plaintiff,

-v.-

MATTHEW ALLEE, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

Defendants

17 CH 5898

1000 WEST LELAND AVENUE UNIT 12E

CHICAGO, IL 60640

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 22, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on February 28, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 030R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 1000 WEST LELAND AVENUE UNIT 12E, CHICAGO, IL 60640

Property Index No. 14-17-203-024-1227 and 14-17-203-024-1069

The real estate is improved with a condominium.

The judgment amount was \$227,841.47.

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, including the Judicial Sale fee for the 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 residential 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 Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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For information, HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 351264.

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111 East Main Street



Once renovated – without the carport – New Life Interim Shelter will house 40 individuals who are homeless or in immediate crisis. Neighbors, partners, churches, and others have donated supplies and are involved in fundraising to rejuvenate this much-needed emergency shelter.

Photo by Bob Kitsos

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Life Interim Shelter, said, “We’re struggling to get help from different agencies for mental health support. There is a mental health crisis in our city and not enough support for families. So, it can be a real challenge for us to find agencies that have time or people to assist families like this.”

Johnson manages the property currently housing residents until the shelter has been renovated. The property is a single-room occupancy hotel [SPO] owned by GNP; it is the only SRO in Chicago that allows families to live together. “This renovation will enable us to provide dignified

housing for mothers and their children,” Johnson said. “It will provide a clean, safe haven for families in trauma as well as improved space for counseling and support services.”

Minimum stay at the shelter is 120 days. However, if a family needs to stay longer, the shelter accommodates them. Ideally, with support provided by GNP, individuals are able to move into the SRO.

Calderson said the SRO type of transitional housing is sorely needed. She said, “Thousands of people would become homeless because people can’t afford a one-bedroom on a fixed income in the city right now. Not only can peo-

How to obtain assistance

Call Chicago City Services at 311 or 312-744-5000. If you are homeless and need shelter, tell the operator that you are homeless and in need of shelter. According to Chicago Coalition for the Homeless, if you do not get a referral when calling the 311 help line, hit “O” to reach an operator. This is the only way to reach an operator outside of regular hours, which are 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

The operator will check to see which shelter has space. If there is none available, you will be told to go to the nearest warming center, hospital or police station to wait until one becomes available. If there is

room at a shelter, a mobile dispatch team will come in a van to pick up the family and drop them off at a shelter.

If you are housed but concerned that you may lose your housing, tell the operator you need “short term help.” Callers will be transferred to a Homelessness Prevention Call Center. The provider may be able to assist you in applying for a homeless prevention grant. The center is housed and operated by Catholic Charities, with services available in multiple languages.

Callers with hearing problems can access TTY equipment at 312-948-6817.

ple working full-time minimum-wage jobs not afford housing, but there also aren’t enough housing options for people.”

Housing crisis

The need for emergency shelters, affordable and transitional housing such as single-room occupancies is indisputable.

According to Chicago Coalition for the Homeless, an estimated 58,273 people were experiencing homelessness in Chicago in 2019,

immediately prior to the pandemic outbreak. The COVID-19 pandemic is pushing many Chicagoans into homelessness, but just how many is still unknown.

Most of Chicago’s permanent housing resources for those experiencing homelessness do not include those temporarily staying with others in their eligibility criteria. Also, most families experiencing homelessness were moving frequently between motels, cars, trains, and doubling

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late from the shell made the drink thicker and richer than a standard dry mix,” he says. “I’d definitely recommend stirring in some good quality melted dark chocolate to your next cup.”

Katherine Duncan, owner of Logan Square-based Katherine Anne Confections, known for thick hot chocolate and truffles, likes to eat chocolate bars. She likes to look at how the bars are constructed, paying attention to both the packaging and how the chocolate was made. She generally prefers thinner bars, though they tend to be harder to transport

without breaking.

When Duncan goes to new chocolate places, she always tries the house specialty and the hazelnut truffle.

Like Draper, Duncan also gravitates toward dark milk chocolate. She is a fan of bars with 60-70% cocoa content. She also likes candy bars like those made by Chicago-based Jitterbug Sweets – run by Marianna Reynolds full-time as well as a part-time employee of Duncan’s – with nougaty, crunchy, and caramel layers.

“She always has really fun combinations,” Duncan says of Reynolds. “I love different

textures and contrasts. I like that soft, crunchy, and then kind of juicy components altogether.”

So that’s a taste of Chicagoland chocolatiers’ and pastry chefs’

thoughts on the way they like to enjoy chocolate. Go forth this Valentine’s Day and try something new!

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
LEHMAN XS TRUST MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-12N, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE
Plaintiff,
-v-
KEITH GREENBERG, HANNAH M. GREENBERG, PRATT DU LAC CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION INC., MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.
Defendants
21 CH 4138
1144 W. PRATT BLVD., UNIT GS CHICAGO, IL 60626
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on November 30, 2021, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 4, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 030R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 1144 W. PRATT BLVD., UNIT GS, CHICAGO, IL 60626
Property Index No. 11-32-202-028-1013 (11-32-202-014-0000 UNDERLYING PIN)
The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$220,606.66.
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, including the Judicial Sale fee for the 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/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 residential 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

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For information, LAW OFFICES OF IRA T. NEVELL, LLC Plaintiffs Attorneys, 175 N. Franklin Street, Suite 201, CHICAGO, IL, 60606 (312) 357-1125 Please refer calls to the sales department. Please refer to file number 19-05758. 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.jscc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

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Case # 21 CH 4138

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,
-v-
ATANDA MUSA, 2045 WEST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, 2045 W. MORSE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants
17CH18539
2049 W MORSE AVE APT 1W CHICAGO, IL 60645

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 24, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 1, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 030R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 2049 W MORSE AVE APT 1W, CHICAGO, IL 60645
Property Index No. 11-31-120-064-1009
The real estate is improved with a condo/townhouse.

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, including the Judicial Sale fee for the 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 residential 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 Plaintiff and

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For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiffs Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876 THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.jscc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE IL, 60527 630-794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-17-17408 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Attorney Code. 21762 Case Number: 17CH16539 TJSC#: 42-142 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is

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Case # 17CH16539
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION;
Plaintiff,
vs.

BARBARA YOHNKA; ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; CLANCY BIRCHWOOD CONDO ASSOCIATION;
Defendants,
19 CH 14823
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Monday, March 7, 2022 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate:

P.I.N. 11-30-303-067-1004. Commonly known as 7438 N. OAKLEY AVE., UNIT G, CHICAGO, IL 60645. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Mr. Ira T. Nevel at Plaintiff's Attorney, Law Offices of Ira T. Nevel, 175 North Franklin Street, Chicago, Illinois 60606. (312) 357-1125. 19-03884 INTERCOUNTRY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com **13185958**

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION AS TRUSTEE FOR SEASONED CREDIT

Real Estate For Sale

RISK TRANSFER TRUST SERIES 2017-1; Plaintiff,

vs. MICHAEL BRINSON AKA MICHAEL T. BRINSON; ALISON BRINSON AKA ALISON L. BRINSON; ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; GREENLEAF COURT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION;
Defendants,
19 ch 14548
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate:

P.I.N. 11-31-208-030-1004. Commonly known as 1624 West Greenleaf Avenue, Unit 1N, Chicago, IL 60626. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski, LLC, One East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611. 19-033273 F2 INTERCOUNTRY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com **13185508**

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gloves entered the company's flagship store around 6:30 p.m. and ran out with two coats and four purses worth about \$10,000 total, an officer said, citing initial estimates.

That's a relatively light haul for a three-person team, and it's one of the least damaging thefts Burberry has experienced lately.

According to witnesses, the men escaped in a car that was waiting for

them in an alley north of the store.

Earlier on Saturday, a group of about 10 men wearing ski masks exited two SUVs and tried to enter Moncler, 33 E. Oak, at 4:30 p.m.

But the store, which is keeping its doors locked to ward off retail raiders, didn't let them in.

A witness reported that one of the men shouted, "you got lucky," as they all returned to the SUVs and headed east on Oak St.

A few minutes before the failed

Moncler raid, the same group was seen outside Ikram, 15 E. Huron. Once again, they were turned away before entering the store.

Burberry lost over \$100,000 in merchandise to burglars who broke through the store's front door on Jan. 4 and again on Jan. 6.

An off-duty Chicago police officer was injured during a shoplifting raid as she worked private security at Bottega Veneta, 800 N. Michigan, on Jan. 23.

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North Township Real Estate For Sale

Real Estate For Sale

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO BANK OF AMERICA NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR LHEMAN XS TRUST MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-6
Plaintiff,

vs.
LILIYA GEKKER; YEVGENIY GEKKER; CITIBANK, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION; LARRABEE COURT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants,
19 CH 2532

NOTICE OF SALE
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P.I.N. 14-33-303-129-1002.
Commonly known as 1940 NORTH LARRABEE STREET, # C-2, CHICAGO, IL 60614.
The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski, LLC, One East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611. 19-004929 F2
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION
Plaintiff,

-v.-
DENNIS M. LEARY, JR, GRACE LEARY, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, KRAFT FOODS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants,
17 CH 00903

2237 N. HALSTED STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60614
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on November 30, 2021, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 2, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 030R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 2237 N. HALSTED STREET, CHICAGO, IL 60614
Property Index No. 13-33-107-005-0000
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$699,120.40.
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, including the Judicial Sale fee for the 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/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 residential 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 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.

Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, the right to redeem does not arise, there shall be no right of redemption.

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

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

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

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For information, JOHNSON, BLUMBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 230 W. Monroe Street, Suite #1125, Chicago, IL, 60606 (312) 541-9710. Please refer to file number 21 8350.
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Attorney File No. 104059
Attorney Code. 43932
Case Number: 17 CH 00903
TJSC#: 41-3137
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.
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For information, 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 104059.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SEASONED CREDIT RISK TRANSFER TRUST, SERIES 2019-2
Plaintiff,

-v.-
STEVE S. STANOJEVIC, MARINA STANOJEVIC, PRIVATE RESIDENCES AT ONTARIO PLACE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS FOR PERL MORTGAGE INC., CALVARY PORTFOLIO SERVICES LLC, STATE OF ILLINOIS, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Defendants,
2021 CH 00702

10 E. ONTARIO ST., UNIT 2305
CHICAGO, IL 60611
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 8, 2021, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 3, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 030R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 10 E. ONTARIO ST., UNIT 2305, CHICAGO, IL 60611
Property Index No. 17-10-111-014-1283 and 17-10-111-014-1626
The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$424,599.47.
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, including the Judicial Sale fee for the 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/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 residential 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 Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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million for the Reimagine Public Safety Act, which aims at investing in youth-focused violence prevention resources in the state's most dangerous areas. That includes \$235 million from the federal American Rescue Plan Act for grants and \$5 million in general revenue for staffing and operations.

Pritzker noted his budget includes an \$18.6 million increase to allow for three classes of Illinois State Police cadets, about 300 officers.

But in their news conference, Republican Senators said local police need more funding, more

recruits and the opportunity to provide more input on what police departments need in order to safely do their job.

In Chicago, police officers these days are fleeing the CPD ranks in disturbing numbers, and the city is finding it practically impossible to recruit new candidates to replace those who are leaving.

David Hunt, a retired Piatt County Sheriff, said the reason he decided to retire before the end of his term was because of Democrats pushing police reform without the proper funding, as well as the measure to end cash bail.

Christian County Sheriff Bruce Kettelkamp and Chris Southwood, President of the Illinois

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Fraternal Order of Police, said that the reason for an increase in law enforcement members leaving is due to a lack of support from lawmakers and an increase in violence against the police.

"Our current system under the anything but SAFE-T Act is failing all of us. Violent crime is surging unchecked in our communities all across the state," Southwood said.

The Senate Republicans' package would repeal the end of cash bail, but that provision, among others in the SAFE-T Act, doesn't take effect until Jan. 2023. So no matter what happens, in the near term, 2022 is lining up to be an especially bad year for crime. Indeed, in the first month crime in Chicago has already risen by double digits across the board in most police district.

In response to House Republicans introducing legislation last month, Legislative Black Caucus Chair Sonya Harper, House Chair Kam Buckner and Senate Chair Robert Peters said the SAFE-T Act will help improve public safety and accused Republicans of using racial scare tactics.

"We're not saying that we have all the answers to stop crime in its entirety," Sen. Minority Leader Dan McConchie, said. "But we are saying we have good ideas that are derived from the law enforcement community itself that are saying that this will put us on the path to safer neighborhoods and help us defend our police."

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CLARK ST. from p. 1

Plans have been announced to add additional obstacles to block traffic, and egress to and from the streets adjacent to - and perpendicular to Clark St. This spring a new concrete barrier separating the bike lane from the rest of the traffic is expected to be installed. The lane, which spans from Hollywood Ave. to Devon St., is in the process of receiving a second set of obstacles to try to curb what, for over a century, was legal parking. Area businesses and residents continue to use the bike lane for car and truck parking, since for over a century that's exactly what that spaces' primary use was.

The few cyclists who now use the new Clark St. route, ride in the main lane of traffic, as the barriers built along the streets mean that city snow plows can no longer clear the curb lane during winter. Seeing that the city's trucks can't access the area, during recent snowfall, many neighborhood shovelers are now intentionally pushing the

white stuff into the bike lanes as a form of peaceful protesting.

After the new obstacles were added to Clark St., two area pizza restaurants were hurt as customers and delivery vehicles could no longer park adjacent to, or pull in curbside for pick up.

On Feb. 3 a few biking activists gathered on Clark St. in front of the Domino's Pizza restaurant, 5912 N. Clark St., to protest against their delivery drivers double parking in the bike lane. They were greeted by catcalls from the drivers and area residents who cursed the protesters for taking away their parking spaces.

The situation has caused various businesses who operate along Clark St. to have

their delivery trucks double park in the main traffic lane or at bus stops to make deliveries. CTA buses too are finding their egress blocked by the bike lanes.

Perhaps worst of all, Fire Dept. Station Engine Co. 70 and 59, at 6014 N. Clark St., has also seen their emergency vehicles blocked by backed-up traffic while attempting to make runs, especially in the morning and afternoon when Hayt School parental backups extend south of Ridge Ave. to Ardmore and Victoria streets.

Area residents think the existing Lakefront Bike Trail, located a mere two blocks east along Glenwood Ave., is more suitable than adding the second path on busy Clark St.

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you out like Mike Tyson in his prime." Raw is a slang term for uncut narcotics, usually heroin.

Later that day, Bloomfield's husband returned from a job interview in Wisconsin and found Bloomfield dead on their bathroom floor. A syringe was lying in the sink, and he appeared to have injection marks on his arms, Murphy said.

The Cook County medical examiner ruled his death an accident caused by com-

bined drug and alcohol toxicity. Heroin, fentanyl, methamphetamine, and two prescription drugs were found in his system, according to medical examiner records.

Bloomfield's husband, who found Bloomfield's text messages with Paulus, had forbidden Bloomfield from associating with Paulus after a non-fatal overdose three months earlier, Murphy said.

In that case, Paulus allegedly apologized for Bloomfield's brush with death, telling the husband, "I'm sorry. Please forgive me. I told him to be careful."

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woman told CBS2.

The 60-year-old victim subsequently identified Ibeh in a photo line-up and police arrested him on Friday, according to prosecutors.

He is charged with aggravated battery of a senior citizen over the age of 60 and aggravated battery in a public place.

Ibeh's public defender said he has an

accounting degree and no criminal background.

Marubio told court observers that she struggled to find context or an explanation for Ibeh's alleged behavior in police reports or the presentations she heard from state and defense attorneys.

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"Dances From the Heart" showcases the most romantic works from DANCE CHICAGO performers, featuring an amazing array of dance styles such as Aerial, Tap, Urban Fusion, Jazz, Contemporary, Irish, Flamenco, Comedy Sketch Dance, Hip-Hop and more!

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