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Looking west on Bryn Mawr Ave. from Lincoln Park. The last remnant of the original 1934 sea wall is in the foreground.

## Alderman seeks to landmark Bryn Mawr District

Measure goes before Landmark Commission on April 2

PHOTO AND STORY  
BY BOB ZULEY

In a move welcomed by preservationists, Ald. Leni Manaa-Hoppenworth [48th], recommended the Chicago Dept. of Planning and Development [DPD] move forward with landmarking the Bryn Mawr Historic District [National Register #95000482].

Located along Bryn Mawr Ave. between N. Broadway and N. Sheridan Rd., this district highlights early 20th Century, mixed-use, transit-oriented developments.

The preliminary landmark designation report will go before the Commission on Chicago Landmarks [CCL] on April 2.

"The Bryn Mawr Historic District is a cultural and architectural treasure, and today we are taking a big step towards protecting this important piece of Edgewater and Chicago history for generations to come," Ald. Manaa-Hoppenworth said in a statement.

In early 2025, Manaa-Hoppenworth asked the DPD to explore the feasibility of landmarking the Bryn Mawr Historic District. DPD Coordinating Planner Eilish Tuffy surveyed the District's 22 properties and found it to be a good candidate for landmark consideration.

The alderman has since met

with numerous stakeholders, including Bryn Mawr property owners, to discuss the benefits, impacts, and responsibilities of the designation.

After CCL hears the preliminary report, the Chicago Landmark Designation process is expected to take about one year before going to the City Council for a vote.

"I want to extend [my] gratitude to the team at Landmarks Illinois, the Edgewater Historical Society, and our Bryn Mawr Alliance volunteers. Their advocacy, expertise, and dedication has helped us reach this point," said Manaa-Hoppenworth.

The Historic District includes some of the oldest buildings in Edgewater, dating back to the 1890s. Buildings in the District reflect a variety of architectural styles including Tudor Revival, French Romanesque Revival, Late Gothic Revival, Italian Renaissance Revival, and Art Deco.

The Bryn Mawr Historic District was added to the National Register of Historic Places on April 20, 1995.

Bryn Mawr Ave. was named in the 1880s by Edgewater developer John Lewis Cochran after the Bryn Mawr station on the Main Line north of Philadelphia. Bryn Mawr is Welsh for Big Hill.

## CTA's reconstruction at Brown Line Plaza projected to be completed in late spring

BY PETER VON BUOL

It has been a long slog for local retailers, visitors and residents of Lincoln Square who have seen the central shopping district under construction and behind fences for some time. But now an end is in sight.

Whether the end result is considered an improvement is yet to be determined.

Construction at the CTA's Western Ave. Brown Line Plaza, 4648 N. Western Ave., is scheduled to be completed by late spring, according to the spokesperson for

the Chicago Dept. of Transportation [CDOT].

"The plaza is scheduled to be completed by late spring," said Erica Schroeder, CDOT director of public information, which is funding the renovation of the public plaza north of the CTA's station.

The CTA's Western Brown Line station has also been undergoing a \$19 million rehabilitation. Transit agency officials have said the newly-updated station will have improved accessibility, safe-

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## Lake Michigan water levels have noticeably fallen in recent years

Spread in time has decreased while amplitude of swings increased

BY BOB ZULEY

Chicago's very own meteorologist and Edgewater neighbor Tom Skilling has opined on the noticeably decreased water levels of Lake Michigan over the past six years.

"Lake level fluctuations have always occurred. But studies have established the spread in time between these swings has decreased while the amplitude of these swings has increased," Skilling recently wrote on social media.

The Univ. of Michigan's Great Lakes Integrated Sciences and Assessments Center [GLISA] based in Ann Arbor is a collaboration of Michigan and Michigan State Univ., funded by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration [NOAA] that monitors the water levels of the Great Lakes.

Rising temperatures, increased precipitation, extreme events, and longer front-free seasons are al-



Expanded sand area at Kathy Osterman Beach.

Photo courtesy of Tom Skilling

ready affecting agriculture, infrastructure, natural resources, public health, and communities.

Fluctuations in water levels have adverse effects on the Great Lakes region economically and environmentally. Issues in shipping and navigation arise during periods of low water levels as ships can be too large or deep - its draft or draught - to travel to some

areas, a factor that we sometimes overlook without the constant reminder of freighters coming to Chicago.

Ecosystems and fisheries in the lakes are affected by lake levels because of impacts on natural habitats such as loss of coastal wetlands that serve as breeding

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## Preservation Chicago's Chicago 7 list includes 1894 Chicago Stock Exchange Trading Room

BY PETER VON BUOL

Preservation Chicago on March 4 unveiled its 23rd annual Chicago 7 list of the city's most endangered buildings and this year's list ironically includes the reconstructed 1894 Chicago Stock Exchange Trading Room by legendary Chicago architects Dankmar Adler and Louis Sullivan.

Today, many consider the needless destruction of the legendary Chicago Stock Exchange building in 1972 to be the beginning of historical preservation in Chicago.

In 1972, the building's ornate and elegant trading room was deconstructed, then in 1977 reconstructed at the Art Institute of Chicago [AIC], 111 S. Michigan Ave. by John Vinci and Lawrence Kenny.

The room includes Sullivan's elaborate stenciled decorations, molded plaster capitals, and art glass and it has long been used as



The Chicago Stock Exchange Trading Room, a 2026 Chicago 7 Most Endangered. The Chicago Stock Exchange Trading Room, 1894 Dankmar Adler and Louis Sullivan, dismantled in 1972 and reconstructed 1977 Vinci-Kenney Architects, 111 S. Michigan Ave. Photo courtesy Eric Allix Rogers

a special events venue.

Speaking at the Chicago Architecture Center, 111 E. Wacker Dr., on March 4, executive director Ward Miller unveiled this year's Chicago 7 list and noted the irony of the Chicago Art In-

stitute once threatening to replace not only the historic Chicago Stock Exchange trading room, but also the art museum's historic 1898 McKinlock Court

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# A prescription for Patrick's Day, their time is up



By Thomas J. O'Gorman



(L) The uprising in Ireland, in 1798, was a major rebellion against colonial British rule. The Battle of Vinegar Hill, as it became known, in County Wexford in the southeast of Ireland, was the last major engagement between the United Irishmen and the British military and marked a significant turning point in the rebellion. (R) Northern Ireland, part of the United Kingdom, is a region on the island of Ireland, known for its mix of stunning, rugged landscapes and vibrant, historically rich cities like Belfast and Derry.

What's it like to be Irish?

One version of our ethnicity and cultural identity is best framed with a curious query of the Irish anatomy.

It's found in Bring Crosby's popular crooning in a brogue. "Did your mother come from Ireland," he sings, "cuz there's something in you Irish. Won't you tell me where you get those Irish eyes."

But that's only half the story. There's another side to being Irish than the blarney found in flirty lyrics to a song.

An old rebel tune puts the roots of our character this way capturing, still, the historic sacrifice and slaughter endured by Irish people.

The Irish become powerful survivors shaped by the physical and psychological shackling of sweet, gentle folk by our nearby neighbor with a passion for oppression

and bad teeth.

"We are the boys of Wexford, Who fought with heart and hand

To burst in twain the galling chain

And free our native land."

"We are the boys of Wexford," they sing, the timeless rejection of oppressive British values stings with life-threatening passion as these rebels are slain for liberty. And there you have it. These soul-stirring lyrics could have been written in every generation of Irish life. In fact they were.

This rebel march about the Battle of Vinegar Hill echoes down through history revealing the Irish commitment to freedom and independence.

In June 1798 these risk-taking Irish stood their ground outnumbered by British forces. Irish patriots to the end. Led into battle by their rebel parish priest, Father Murphy. A battlefield they embraced with their arms long and wide open to fighting for their freedom.

Rebel Irish established a diabolical dialogue and sour harmony with their ancient English enemy. Living ferociously as an anomaly wrought by all the ill-gotten British cruelty and colonialism.

More recently, we have watched Britain wreck itself, in the inanity of Brexit foolishness. Betraying and abandoning the unity and peace of shared common European living. They've left the European Union, while the Irish of today, well-educated, well-traveled and highly social, thrive in its story of economic and political success.

But our Northern Irish people, living in six stolen counties, still - Antrim, Armagh, Down, Fermanagh, Tyrone and Derry, need reunion with us all now.

They remain surrounded by the Irish Republic, though the free nation that for many is just minutes away. Ironically, they were meant to be Britain's idea of an independent, separate nation.

Forced to endure, back in 1922, a bitter and thread-bare Protestant political condition. A solution established in order to achieve independence for 26 Irish counties out of landscape of the full compliment of 32 counties. The six counties were, of course, of Protestant population majorities.

The negotiators to end rebel Irish warfare sought to establish independence. Forced to give away the portion of an ancient state going back to the Bronze Age.

That land grab introduced a policy of sectarian sacrilege and political bankruptcy. All so their prospect of political independence could be endured, and yet, still denigrate Irish legitimacy and its human struggle of 800 hundred years.

In the stretch of that last century, it's now 2026. In the six coun-

ties of Northern Ireland there are no longer any Protestant majorities. And peaceful shared living with Catholics is more harmonious that ever.

So we say let our people go. Release our six Northern Irish counties. Return them. Give them back. Let Ireland be as God formed it, a full count of 32 counties.

It would mark the perfect gift for St. Patrick's Day giving. Real freedom all around. No cheating royals. No victims of Brexit. No parliamentary nonsense.

Rebel liberation will always remain a cultural goal, especially when the treachery of the past, mixes with enforced impoverishment, distilled in modern times into a numbing blindness of foolish artificial governance. Britain, now, no longer seems to be able to rule itself.

66 years ago while John Fitzgerald Kennedy looked out on the landscape of his peoples' Irish understanding of themselves. They, like countless others of their political near-sightedness, found partitions appropriate for our island home.

No reasoned policy ever permitted Northern Ireland peace as long as there was a partition of an island of Irish culture and hegemony. Let the 21st century be the enlightened, well-educated Irish judgement for the mending of the real Ireland.

Britain's political policies have been abhorrent for eight centuries. So let Charles III lead his forces off political soil they have no legitimate right to.

In those six Irish counties of

geographic and cultural oppression, the landscape, itself, calls out for justice. Out of Ireland, once for all, for once and for all.

Prime Minister Starmer, stand down from our Northern Irish landscapes. Get yourselves out of our natural fields and waterways, our valleys and seashores. Let all become citizens of the bold, independent Irish Republic.

Let the Irish economy guide a newfound unity for real European peace. The time is now for one nation under God with liberty and justice for all. End the fiction.

King Charles has more blood relatives in the Windsor family to terrorize and punish, it seems, with rejection and exile. Former loved ones are now forsaken in the foolish land of kingly reign. A royal family of anomalies gets crushed for seeking merely to live normal lives.

It is easy to anticipate why there were no genuine censures during Charles III mother's reign regarding Andrew Mountbatten Windsor and his Epstein-life of cheating while beguiling royal domains and geographies with arrogant philandering.

The House of Windsor has been cheating on the faithfulness of both Kingdom and Culture

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# Online betting back in play in Springfield

For good or bad, sports betting has become a major part of professional sports. Illinois professional sports venues with seating for 17,000 are permitted to hold sports betting licenses under the 2019 Illinois Sports Wagering Act. Major venues, including those for the Bears, Cubs, White Sox, and Blackhawks, can legally operate retail sportsbooks on or near their premises.

Online and mobile sports betting has been legal and active in Illinois since June 2020, regulated by the Illinois Gaming Board.

But now Illinois lawmakers are once again discussing legalizing online casino gaming as well, reviving a debate that has surfaced repeatedly in recent legislative sessions due to consumer trends and gaming market forces.

Nationwide, over 65% of adults and up to 86% of young adults (18-24) have recently gambled online [iGaming], making internet-based gaming the dominant form of modern play.

Studies show that at least one person plays video games in two-thirds of American households, according to the Entertainment Software Assoc. Roughly 160 million Americans, and 3.5 billion global players, play internet-based games, one recent study estimates.

The majority of that gaming activity is now done on mobile smartphones. Data shows that nearly 47% of bettors play online games almost daily. Online gambling has evolved from a small digital experiment in the mid-1990s into a global industry worth nearly \$67 billion today.

While online sportsbooks are allowed, there have been constant obstacles to

online casinos in Illinois, with no clear path to legalization. The latest proposal in the Illinois Statehouse would allow iGaming in addition to the state's existing sports betting framework, just as Chicago is now introducing their first land-based casinos.

The renewed effort to legalize online casino gaming is being led by State Rep. Edgar González Jr. [23rd], who has filed House Bill 4797 to establish a formal gambling framework in Illinois.

Titled the Internet Gaming Act, the proposal would authorize real-money online casino games and allow existing gaming license holders to collaborate with as many as three approved iGaming platform providers.

The legislation closely mirrors a measure González introduced during the 2025 session, underscoring lawmakers' continued interest in revisiting the issue. Support appears to be building on prior attempt to advance iGaming alongside Illinois' already established sports betting market.

But what about those land-based casinos? A central focus of the Illinois proposal is minimizing the potential impact of online casino gaming on existing brick-and-mortar casinos and their workforce, as iGaming now stands as the land-based betting industries' top competitor.

Under the bill, iGaming revenue would be taxed at 25% of adjusted gross revenue, with operators permitted to subtract promotional credits and free-play incentives before taxes are applied. The legislation also sets a \$250,000 upfront licensing fee for iGaming operators, along with a

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## Historic Preservation incentives workshop March 14

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The Edgewater Glen Assoc. is hosting a one-hour virtual workshop 11 a.m. Saturday, March 14, led by neighbor Justin Colombik, who put The Glen area on the National Register of Historic Places. He’ll walk guests through how the Historic Preservation Incentives work—and how to use them.

The virtual workshop meeting ID is: 267 333 029 152 36, and the passcode is: MJ7eP2N4.

Dial in by phone at 872-242-9339, conference ID is: 909 433 091.

Through these incentives, restoring a historic home becomes more affordable—and helps preserve the architectural and cultural heritage that defines the community.

It’s a smart move for your home, the neighborhood historic streetscape—and your wallet.

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Building by the Boston-based architectural firm George Foster Shepley, Charles H. Rutan and Charles Allerton Coolidge (with later work by Coolidge and Charles Hodgson). The building’s outdoor courtyard and garden has long been a popular dining location during warm months. The building also includes a 1977 rooftop addition by the late architect Walter Netsch, who worked for the Chicago-based global architectural firm Skidmore, Owings and Merrill.

“We are now moving forward to encourage preservation of what is really an amazing room from a second demolition or deconstruction. The Chicago Stock Exchange can be a useful component of the Art Institute of Chicago. We’re encouraging it to be landmarked by the City of Chicago, along with the outdoor arch from Adler and Sullivan’s Chicago Stock Exchange building that was installed outside of the museum,” said Miller.

Both the Chicago Stock Exchange and

the McKinlock Court Building may be threatened by the museum’s plans to build a billion dollar addition.

“We’ve been in talks with [the AIC] for the last year. The stock exchange was going to be one of our candidates for 2025. After our outreach to them, we really wanted to encourage a dialogue and to give them space and time to rethink the ideas they were originally planning on,” said Miller.

During the discussion with museum officials, Miller also happened to mention Preservation Chicago’s interest in ensuring the preservation of the McKinlock building.

“Originally, when we met with them, they assumed that we were just there to protect the exchange trading room. But we also mentioned McKinlock Court was of interest to us. We had happened to learn from a source that it was going to be the site of their new addition. It really is a beautiful courtyard. It serves as a bit of a respite,” said Miller.

The courtyard also includes Triton Fountain by early 20th century Swedish sculptor



(L) 2 LaSalle Avenue Bridge Tender House. Photo courtesy Mejay Gula (R) Chicago River Bridges and Bridge Tender Houses. Photo courtesy Chris Cullen.

Carl Milles, which was completed in 1931.

Despite its current plans, Miller added there is still room for the AIC to grow without demolishing existing buildings.

“We think that their addition should probably be in those two railroad trenches to the north and to the south of the museum and, of course, across the street in Millennium Park. We’ve bridged over that and healed that [railroad] trench, if you will. We think that building in that location is the way to go. Of course, it is expensive. It is maybe a billion dollar solution. But we know they’ve already made plans to raise \$900 million,” said Miller.

The museum’s current configuration can be confusing, especially to tourists and infrequent visitors.

“A new addition that would unite so many components of the museum and which would create more flow, rather than

having to go through these two halves of the museum that are connected through the Frank Gunsaulus Hall, that sort of two-story bridge, from 1916. That would be an improvement,” said Miller.

Also included on this year’s list by Preservation Chicago are the city’s many river bridges and boathouses, most of which were built between 1910 and 1940. Many have suffered from neglect and fallen into disrepair.

“For a city known for its bridges, it is something you wouldn’t expect to see. Chicago bridges and tender houses are found all along the main channel of the North and South branches. Many were built of expensive materials during the City Beautiful era of urban planning. They often appear to be in better shape than they really are.

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# Iran war pushes mortgage rates higher



The Home Front

by Don DeBat

Chicago home buyers are not fleeing from guided missiles, but President Donald Trump's aerial war against Iran has had a dramatic, negative impact on the spring housing market in the Windy City.

The Mideast War has pushed mortgage-interest rates sharply higher, analysts report.

"Last week the rates dipped to 5.99% for the first time in 3.5 years, and everything seemed to be moving along positively," noted veteran lender Jeremy Rose, senior loan officer for Stonehaven Mortgage.

"Then, because of the Iran War, on Monday, March 2, mortgage-backed securities took a drastic turn for the worse. We are now seeing conventional mortgages rates rising anywhere between 0.25% [of one percentage point] to 0.375% since Friday Feb. 27."

That means borrowers paid higher interest charges of 6.25% to 6.375% in the first week of March as a direct result of the Iran War and other economic factors.

Typically, when war breaks out, Treasury bonds become a safe haven, Rose explained.

"However, this time around, traders surprisingly moved money out of the stock market and into the U.S. dollar. We are finally seeing the dollar valuation increase for the first time in many months."

Rose noted that the home-loan refinance business also has definitely slowed down in the first week of March.

"Home-buying is still happening for the time being," Rose said. "This market has been the best I've seen in about three years. However, I'm worried that the longer we are at war, or without a conflict resolution, and as the price of gasoline increases, along with higher inflation, we may see the housing market slow down."

On the positive side, Rose noted that first-time borrowers in Chicago who earn \$94,080 or less and have decent credit can qualify for a below-market rate mortgage through the Fannie Mae "Home Ready" program or the Freddie Mac "Home Possible" program. Both plans are designed to make home financing more affordable.

"It practically equates to an interest rate cut of about a 0.375% of 1% under the market mortgage rate for borrowers whose income is above the threshold," explained Rose, who can be contacted via email at [jeremy.rose@stonehavenmtg.com](mailto:jeremy.rose@stonehavenmtg.com).

## Stocks down, gas prices up

Since President Trump bagged his golf clubs, and started rattling his saber, stock sales activity on Wall Street has looked like a downhill roller coaster. The Dow Jones average has plummeted

2,000 points.

After Iranian war ships closed the Strait of Hormuz, a waterway where a fifth of the world's oil passes, gas prices in Chicago have jumped 20¢ a gallon, and analysts say they could soon will rise another 20¢.

The war already has put a \$30 a month bite on the average commuter's fuel bill. Doomsayer analysts are predicting \$5 to \$6 per gallon gas before the war is over. At \$3.32 a gallon, Illinois already has the eighth highest gas prices in the nation, thanks to the state's second highest gas taxes in the U.S.

Critics say Trump attacked Iran to take newspaper and TV headlines off of the negative impact of the Epstein files, his global tariffs, on inflation, governmental corruption and the harsh tactics of our immigration-agents.

On March 2, Trump predicted that the Iran War could go on for four to five weeks or even longer. However, he refused to rule out sending U.S. ground troops, which would be a replay of the costly 1991 Iraq War. What happened to America First?

## Mortgage rates steady before war

On Feb. 26, for the first time in 3.5 years, benchmark 30-year fixed home loans nationwide hit 5.99%, reported Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey. However, a week later, on March 5, 30-year fixed mortgage interest rates inched back to 6%. A year ago, lenders were quoting 6.63% on 30-year fixed loans.

"Mortgage rates held steady at 6% last week, their lowest level since 2022," said Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's chief economist. "Rates were down nearly one full percentage point from this time in 2024, spurring activity from buyers, sellers and owners."

Fifteen-year fixed loans averaged 5.43% on March 5, down

slightly from 5.44% a week earlier. A year ago, the 15-year fixed loans averaged 5.79%.

The Freddie Mac survey is focused on conventional, conforming, fully amortizing home-purchase loans for borrowers who place a 20% down payment and have excellent credit.

## Does Trump really want low rates?

In mid-January, Trump made headlines when Federal Reserve Board (Fed) Chairman Jerome Powell and other knowledgeable board members were slow to react to his bullish demands for lower interest rates.



Jeremy Rose

The much-respected Powell was put under "criminal investigation" by the U.S. Justice Dept.—an attack tool of the president—in connection with the rising costs of renovating a collection of the Fed's historic Washington, D.C., office buildings.

Powell said the probe was a threat to the independence of the Fed, and refused to buckle under. He was backed by former Fed chairs Alan Greenspace, Ben Bernanke and Janet Yellen and a bipartisan group of economic luminaries. "Political action related to the potential loss of Federal Reserve independence could cause interest rates to rise," observed Rose.

Powell's term ends in May, and

## Heightened local concerns about Iran war

BY THE CENTER SQUARE

Chicago Police say they are monitoring the U.S. conflict in Iran, as residents and visitors observed a significant increase in police presence at O'Hare International Airport and on area passenger trains over the last week.

The Chicago Police Dept. said it is monitoring the situation in Iran. "While there is no actionable intelligence related to Chicago at this time, we are paying special attention to places of worship and will adjust resources if necessary as we continue to follow the rapidly unfolding events."

Iranian-based terrorists could have entered the U.S. when the border was open during the Biden

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Trump's replacement, if approved by Congress, will have to deal with the ashes of the aftermath, including the Iran War.

Going forward, Powell will retain a position on the Fed's board of governors until 2028, so he likely will continue to have a moderating influence on the direction of interest rates.

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

## Treasurer Pappas speaking at March 25 Levy meeting

Cook County Treasurer Maria Pappas will be the guest speaker 9 a.m. March 25 at the NE Levy Center Village Senior Center, 2019 W. Lawrence Ave.

Pappas will be presenting on Senior Exemptions. If you've encountered issues with your property tax bill (or just have questions), join and learn more from the Treasurer about what you can do in this timely presentation.

Guests may use Zoom to attend virtually using the meeting ID: 886 8091 2480, and passcode: 142325.

The Call-In number is 312-626-6799 with the same passcode and meeting ID.

There will be another NE Levy Center Village community meeting, pertaining to the North Center Satellite Senior Center, 5 p.m. Thursday, March 12, in St. Benedict's library (off Bell Ave). Just stop in.

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# Police Beat...

## Strong armed robberies, fraud downtown

Chicago police are warning residents about three recent, related robbery and deceptive practice (charity scam) incidents occurring in the Loop and Near South Side neighborhoods, and the Little Italy neighborhood.

In each incident, the offenders attempt to exploit the generosity of victims for fraudulent purposes, using a "tragic event" to solicit donations. When the victim agrees to donate, offenders utilize the "borrowed phone" tactic to rapidly transfer bank funds out of cash payment applications on the phone into their accounts. In two of the incidents, offenders took possession of the victims' phones by force before completing fraudulent transactions.

Incidents include one on the 1300 block of S. Canal St., 6 p.m. Feb. 5; the 1400 W. Taylor St. 5:30 p.m. Feb. 11, and on the 2100 block of S. Prairie Ave. 4:32 p.m. Feb. 18.

The offenders are described as four African American males, 25-40 years of age, 5'-8" to 5'-11" in height, 175-220 lbs.

Those who may have any information of these crooks should contact Area Three Detectives at 312-744-8263 or submit an anonymous tip at CPDTIP.com and use Reference # P26-3-007.

## Owner of convenience stores sentenced to four years for defrauding low-income food program

A federal judge has sentenced the owner of several Chicago-area convenience stores to four years in prison for scheming to defraud a low-income food program for women and children.

From 2010 to 2018, Hassan Abdellatif schemed with eight other convenience store owners or workers in the Chicago area to fraudulently redeem checks from the Women, Infants, and Children [WIC] program, a federally funded initiative designed to provide a nutritious diet to low-income children and pregnant, breastfeeding, and post-partum women. Abdellatif and the others knowingly allowed customers to provide their WIC checks as payment for ineligible items at the stores, often at inflated prices. In all, ten stores involved in the scheme redeemed more than \$19 million in WIC checks.

A federal jury last year convicted Abdellatif, 37, of Chicago, on all five counts against him, including two counts of wire fraud, one count of fraudulently obtaining government benefits, and two counts of willfully failing to file corporate tax returns. In addition to the four-year prison term, U.S. District Judge Jorge L. Alonso on Tuesday ordered Abdellatif to pay more than \$8.8 million in restitution to the government.

Eight others were charged in federal court as part of this investigation. All eight have pleaded guilty and are awaiting sentencing.

The sentence was announced by

Andrew S. Boutros, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois.

## Armed men violently mug woman in Lincoln Park

Two men violently mugged a 21-year-old woman at gunpoint March 5 in Lincoln Park, pulling up alongside her in a sedan and forcing her against a wall before fleeing with her belongings, Chicago police said.

According to police and witnesses, a dark sedan pulled up next to the victim as she walked in the 2300 block of N. Clark St. around 4:35 a.m. Two men got out of the vehicle armed with firearms, pushed the woman against a wall, and pointed guns at her head while taking her valuables, witnesses said.

The men then returned to the sedan and fled south on Clark St., according to CPD.

When officers arrived, they found items belonging to the woman scattered on the sidewalk, including a yoga mat, keys, and a water bottle. The police located her shortly afterward outside a nearby fast-food restaurant. She declined medical attention, according to CPD.

Witnesses described the robbers as Black males traveling in a dark blue sedan with tinted windows. At least one witness believed a third Black male may also have been in the vehicle, police said.

## Magnificent Mile mail thief caught with 52 credit cards gets 4-year sentence

A man has been sentenced to four years in prison after he was allegedly caught stealing mail near the Magnificent Mile while carrying 52 stolen credit cards and counterfeit postal service master keys, court records show.

Dalvin Lockhart, 31, pleaded guilty to two counts of identity theft in exchange for the sentence from Judge Ursula Walowski.



Dalvin Lockhart

The case against Lockhart stretches back to Oct. 2024, when a doorman at a residential building on the first block of E. Elm allegedly caught him burglarizing the building's mailroom. Police said Lockhart was found with two fake IDs, mail addressed to multiple different people, a collection of credit cards bearing separate names, and three counterfeit "arrow keys" — the master keys carried by U.S. Postal Service mail carriers that allow access to apartment building mailboxes, postal relay boxes, and mail banks across the city.

The mail and credit cards he allegedly possessed at the time belonged to residents of Lincoln Park, the Loop, and the building where he was arrested, according to a CPD report. He was released on pretrial bond pending trial. And then he stopped showing up for court.

Last May, a U.S. Postal Inspector tried to arrest Lockhart in the 800 block of N. Dewitt Pl. in Streeterville for failure to appear in court in both Cook and DuPage counties, but Lockhart allegedly fled, escaping from the inspector's custody, according to a CPD report. Chicago cops responded to assist.

Officers had little difficulty iden-

tifying Lockhart when they spotted him near the Mag Mile because he still had a pair of handcuffs dangling from one wrist.

Lockhart allegedly once again provided a fake ID to the officers. The cops said they found 52 credit cards, two more counterfeit arrow keys, stolen mail, financial statements, bank checks, and counterfeit currency in his possession.

By law, Lockhart's four-year sentence will be reduced to two years with good behavior. It will be further reduced by 550 days for time already served and credits earned by participating in jail programming, court records show.

## Man shot during apparent Loop robbery attempt

A 20-year-old man was shot during an apparent robbery attempt in the Loop on March 7.

The victim was in the 500 block of S. Holden Ct. when two men approached him around 8:55 p.m., according to CPD. One of the men produced a firearm and shot the victim in the abdomen during the confrontation, police said.

Responding officers applied a chest seal to help stabilize the man before paramedics arrived. He was transported to Stroger Hospital, where he was listed in fair condition. Officers recovered two shell casings at the scene.

The two suspects fled east on Harrison St. before turning north into an alley behind the 500 block of S. State St., witnesses said.

The suspects were described as Black males, one wearing a red hoodie and the other possibly wearing a white hoodie. No arrests had been announced as of Sunday morning.

## Three gunmen pull off brazen daylight robbery outside Mag Mile boutique

Three gunmen robbed a 30-year-old man as he walked away from a luxury boutique on the Magnificent Mile on March 6, confronting him in a brazen daylight mugging on one of the area's busiest street corners.

The victim had just left the Louis Vuitton store, 919 N. Michigan Ave., and was walking along the 100 block of E. Oak St. when a gray Honda SUV with four occupants pulled up beside him at 2:08 p.m., according to a Chicago police report.

Three men got out of the SUV, approached the man, and demanded his property while pointing guns at him, a police spokesperson said. The victim complied, and the robbers fled in the SUV, which was last seen heading east on E. Lake Shore Dr.

Police have not publicly linked the incident to other crimes, but the holdup resembled an armed robbery reported Thursday morning in Lincoln Park. In that case, a 21-year-old woman was walking along the 2300 block of N. Clark St. when two or three armed men confronted her around 4:35 a.m., according to police. The men pushed her against a wall, took her valuables, then ran back to their car and sped away.

No arrests have been announced in connection with either crime.

## Men who raped woman after kidnapping her from Boystown bar are sentenced to prison

Two men who kidnapped a woman from a popular Boystown bar and took turns sexually assaulting her at a North Side apartment were sentenced on March 6 to more than a decade in prison, court records show.

Sarwar Khan, 48, received 15 years, and Quribullah Mohammad, 24, received 11 years after both pleaded guilty to aggravated criminal sexual assault causing bodily harm before Judge Domenica Stephenson imposed the sentences. Both men must serve 85% of their sentences and register as sex offenders.

On a night in late June 2023, the



Sarwar Khan, left, and Quribullah Mohammad.

victim, a 22-year-old woman who had recently moved to Chicago, went out for drinks with coworkers and ended up at one of Chicago's iconic gay bars in the 3300 block of N. Halsted St., according to prosecutors and court records.

Shortly after midnight, Khan and Mohammad entered the bar, and Khan offered to buy the woman a drink while she waited in line for the restroom, prosecutors said. She initially declined but eventually agreed reluctantly, prosecutors said. When she came out of the restroom, she felt "extremely intoxicated" and told Khan she was going home, according to a court filing.

Khan told her she was going home with him and "forcefully guided her" toward the front door, where Mohammad met them, the filing said. Both men pushed her into the back seat of a car.

Chicago police later recovered city and private surveillance footage showing the two men forcing the woman into a Toyota Prius owned by Mohammad. As Mohammad drove to Khan's home in the 5700 block of N. Washtenaw Ave., Khan sexually abused the woman in the back seat, according to prosecutors.

Once they arrived, the woman could not walk up the stairs, so Mohammad carried her to the second floor, prosecutors claimed. Khan and Mohammad raped the woman in Khan's bedroom, prosecutors alleged.

Shortly after 2 a.m., the woman managed to call 911, but Khan allegedly knocked the phone out of her hand and ordered her not to call anyone. Mohammad fled the apartment and hid the woman's wallet in a nearby yard before police arrived. Khan went downstairs to meet the officers when they arrived. Not satisfied with his presence, they contacted the woman by phone, persuaded her it was safe to come outside, and summoned an ambulance. She was taken to a hospital for treatment of "extensive" injuries consistent with sexual assault, along with abrasions and marks on her body, prosecutors said.

At an initial court hearing, Khan's defense attorney said he had moved to the United States from Afghanistan more than a decade before his arrest and had been living in Chicago for about a year after previously living in Milwaukee. The attorney said Khan supported a wife and 13 children in Afghanistan by working at a parcel company and sending money back home.

Mohammad's first defense attorney said he came to the United States from Afghanistan in Nov. 2021 and had been living in Chicago since Feb. 2022. According to the attorney, Mohammad worked with the U.S. military in Afghanistan and left the country fearing for his safety after the Taliban regained control, then supported himself in Chicago by driving for food delivery apps.

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**JACKSON FUNERAL:** Seen among the 4,000 mourners at the final spiritual send off of the late **Rev. Jesse Jackson** in addition to three former U.S. Presidents, were **Rich, Bill** and **John Daley**, former Mayor **Lori Lightfoot**, former Sen. **Carol Mosely Braun**, **Toni Preckwinkle** and **Brendan Reilly**, former Jackson daughter-in-law **Sandy Jackson** from Washington, D.C. with her daughter, **Jessica Jackson, Pat Arbor** formerly of the Chicago Board of Trade with former Chief Financial Aide, **Pat Toney**, nearby dear friends **Mark O'Malley** and wife, Irish fiddler **Patricia Tracey**.

**DINING:** When **President** and **Mrs. Joe Biden** traveled to Chicago for Rev. Jesse Jackson's funeral the itinerary of their journey was on a need to know basis, so no one but the Secret Service and the restaurant's management staff had a notion of a presidential feast Thursday night. When the Bidens arrived at Piccolo Sogno, at Grand and Halsted, owner **Ciro Longobardo** and partner, Chef **Tony Pirola**, were delighted. The

elite Italian staff rose to the occasion "puttin' on the dog" for their favorite customers. Although the Bidens hadn't been by in a while, their return to Chicago last week was enough to get the kitchen brigade working their magic. When the restaurant first opened, the Bidens showed up, at what would evolve into their favorite Chicago town gourmet eatery.



Former president Joe Biden with his daughter, Jessica Jackson, and her husband, Pat Arbor.

**BLACKHAWK:** Sad hockey news with the death of Blackhawks great **Troy Murray**. He was a great two-way player and a wonderful person and announcer. He won the NHL's Selke Award in 85-86 which is awarded annually to the best defensive forward.

**ILLINOIS PRIMARY:** March 17 is the Illinois Primary. Voting is about serious issues close to home. Your neighborhood. Your street. Your local portion of the Circuit Court. Your Ward. And your City. Do you know where your polling place is located? Have you learned who is running for elected office in your part of Chicago? Don't vote without be-

ing able to put a name and a face together. Our city needs you to vote with intelligence and some thoughtful awareness.

Think of all the people around the world who do not have the freedom to cast their vote. You are blessed.

**IRISH SONG:** On the stage at Schuba's Tavern, 3159 N. Southport, the iconic music venue will be hosting **Ike Reilly** and **Brendan O'Shea**, two legends for three shows around the St. Patrick's Day weekend, March 14, 15, and 17.

**IRISH ART:** Celtic illuminator **Michael Carroll** returns to the Irish American Heritage Center with the best (and only!) Celtic Art classes in the Chicago area. Not just for artists and crafters, anyone can learn the traditional methods. Create your own knotwork, spirals, key patterns and more! Small classes, friendly informal atmosphere, and minimal art supplies: pens, pencils and paper. Check it out to celebrate your heritage with authentic Celtic culture.

**IRISH VITTLES:** The finest in-house-created corned beef for my taste is that produced at Ralph Lauren's Bar & Grill by **Chef Ryan**. It reaches the stratosphere of my Grandmother **Nora O'Connor's** version. The cabbage is roasted and the potatoes are mashed, like the French do. It's only on the menu the weekend of the parade, March 14 and 15 and on the actual St. Patrick's Day, March 17. I try to make it every day it's there. It's the only place I'll eat it.

**CARTEL BOSS:** A federal grand jury in Chicago has in-

dicted an alleged Sinaloa Cartel boss on drug, firearm and material support of terrorism charges. Prosecutors say **Jesus Omar Ibarra Felix**, 49, led a group which engaged in armed conflict and provided security in support of "El Chapo" **Joaquin Guzman Loera's** four sons.

The indictment alleges that from 2016 to 2026, Felix supplied machine guns to the four and conspired with them and others to import methamphetamine and fentanyl into the U.S. from Mexico.

**ENDANGERED:** **Ward Miller** of Preservation Chicago was the guest speaker March 7 before a full house for the Edgewater Historical Societies annual meeting at the Edgewater Branch Library on Broadway. He spoke about the need for preservation of important buildings despite the growing pressure for drastic new density to be added to Broadway in Uptown and Edgewater.

**FLOWER TOSS:** Join the Clarence Darrow Commemorative Committee 10 a.m. March 13 for their annual **Clarence Darrow** flower-tossing at his namesake bridge in Jackson Park, nearly 90 years after his death.

**GIFT THEATRE:** The Gift Theatre, led by Artistic Directors **Brittany Burch** and **Jennifer Glasse**, announces its 25th Anniversary "Homecoming" Season, featuring the return of the company's signature short play festival, a major Chicago premiere, and a new work by ensemble member **Netta Walker**, staged at iconic venues across the city including A Red Orchid Theatre, Steppenwolf's 1700 Theater, and a return

to Jefferson Park at the Copernicus Center.

**ST. PATRICK'S FESTIVAL:** "Shamrock & Roll" transforms into Chicago's largest St. Patrick's Day street festival, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, March 14. Spanning Division St. from State St. to Clark St. Hosted by Division St. Merchants and produced by Lodge Management Group as well as Butch McGuire's, the festival brings the best of Chicago's historic entertainment.

**STEPPENWOLF'S 50TH:** Saturday, May 5, at Rockwell on the River, Steppenwolf Theatre will celebrate the theatre company's 2026 Gala. Five decades of incredible theatre.

**WHO'S WHERE:** **Joey Majumdar** was honored in India with a special welcome from his dear friend actress and politician **Moon Moon Sen**, who is related to **Moha Rani Gayetri Devi... Dr. Rose Gomez** visited with **Dr. Debra Swick** and her husband **Mort Mulliken**, who is a great photographer, and their new puppy in Aspen after visiting Chicago friends... **Jane Canepa** holding court at the season's first St. Patrick's Day party at Ann Sather's... **Matthew C. Yee's** White Rooster was named one of the 10 most anticipated shows in Chicago to see, according to the Chicago Tribune... **Eamonn Cummins** at Chicago Cuts Steakhouse with **Dean DeLisle** of OPUM Technologies and Regiment Securities on business, but no better place to get ready for St. Patrick's season... **Noreen Heron PR** tells us that Jet's Pizza is selling pies for \$3.17 on St. Patrick's Day, go get one... **Countess Bottega** viewing the beautiful selection from Italy and Paris, buying for next fall only at Contessa Bottega on Delaware... **Don Mario** (St. Ambrose's successor in Milan) is the kindest of clerics and a fresh breeze passing through Italy's most prestigious Archdiocese) and a great buddy of **Fr. Clete Kiley... Blase Foria** lunching with **Liza Loza** at Wildfire Oakbrook listening to **Frank Sinatra** sing "Luck Be A Lady."

**FAREWELL:** **Wanda Wright** tells us **Tracey Alston** has joined the heavenly choir after an extended illness. Services have been tentatively scheduled for March 14, at the House of Hope, 752 E. 114th St.

**STARGAZER:** **Michael Kutza**, founder of the Chicago International Film Festival, did stunning work on his book, "How I Magically Transformed Chicago Into Hollywood for More Than Fifty years." It's available all over town. What a read.

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**PRESERVATION** *from p. 4*

They really do need our attention. We're losing some of them and others are being replaced by facsimiles," said Miller.

During his presentation, Miller used photographs of the current state of the La Salle Street Bridge as a visual to illustrate his point.

"You can see the amount of damage to the stone. The lack of paint maintenance has really been tragic, too. These bridges are sort of opening arms to welcome our visitors and our citizens to downtown. We are letting an incredible resource be squandered. Even at the Michigan Avenue Bridge, you can see deterioration, lack of tuck-pointing and the need for stone cleaning. We really want to encourage in a very positive way, all parties to work together towards a good outcome," said Miller.

Also included on this year's list as a category were current and former union halls located in the city, most of which were built between the 1880s and the 1970s.

"There is just so much labor history here. It is part of our city's fabric. Wouldn't it be wonderful to designate these buildings as landmarks, to protect them? We would work with the unions and the current owners for good preservation outcomes," said Miller.

Perhaps the most endangered former union building is located at 2800 N. Sheridan Road, on the border of Lincoln Park and Lakeview. Until recently a medical building with offices for medical professionals affiliated with nearby St. Joseph Hospital, it had originally served as the headquarters for the now-defunct Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America.

"There's already a big proposal planned for the site. This is the entrance to Lincoln Park in one direction and the entrance to the Lakeview neighbor in the other direction. We think we can do better. There's a vacant lot directly to the north of this building. We think that's the place for the new building to go. Integrate this historic building into that fabric. And of course, there are the two amazing sculptures by Viennese-born artist Egon Weiner. They are really unique. These are the only items that are sent to be salvaged from the building and are perhaps planned to come back to perhaps the new site," said Miller.

Weiner was a longtime professor at the School of the AIC and he also created the flame sculpture located outside the Chicago Fire Department's Training Academy at 558 W. DeKoven St., to commemorate the location of the origin of the Chicago Fire.

Also included on the list are the 1957 Chicago Loop Synagogue, 16 S. Clark St. by prolific Chicago architects Jerrold Loeb, Norman Schlossman and Richard M. Bennet and the 1898 Yukon Building, 400 S. Clark St., which had been designed by legendary architects William Holabird and Martin Roche.

What makes the Yukon unique is that it was created by its property owners to generate income while they were making bigger plans for the site.

"Holabird and Roche created quite a few buildings that we consider our prime triple Grade A landmarks in Chicago. And yet,



Ward Miller

in the case of the Yukon Building, they also designed this small building that was probably a reaction to the elevated train going up about the same time. Today, we would call it a taxpayer building. Its specific purpose was to generate enough income to pay the property taxes and to give you a little extra profit," said Miller.

The list also includes the former St. Mark Roman Catholic Church Campus, 2516 W. Cortez St.; the South Park Terrace Apartments, 6116-6134 South Dr.; the now-closed St. Mary's / St. Mary of the Assumption Roman Catholic Church (childhood church of current Roman Catholic Pope Leo XIV), 310 E. 137th.



Chicago Loop Synagogue, a 2026 Chicago 7 Most Endangered. Chicago Loop Synagogue, 1957, Loeb, Schlossman & Bennett, 16 S. Clark St. Photo courtesy Lily Ma / Numi Studio

## Women in the trades March 14

The Chicago Public Library is hosting its second annual Women in Trades Fair at the Conrad Sulzer Library, 3344 N. Lincoln Ave., 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 14.

At this free public event guests can learn about working in the trades, training and apprenticeship programs, and maybe even do a little carpentry or pipe fitting.

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**BETTING** from p. 3

\$100,000 renewal fee.

The bill also introduces work-force-related rules aimed at protecting casino jobs. The Illinois Gaming Control Board would be barred from issuing or renewing an online gaming license for any casino operator that has reduced its workforce by 25% or more since Feb. 2020. This restriction hopes to discourage companies from shifting operations online at the expense of in-person betting.

But a recent study by Eilers & Krejcik Gaming comparing

online and land-based betting shows that online casino attracts different customers vs. land-based casino. Compared to land-based casino players, online casino players tend to be moderately younger and are more likely to be male. Playing online requires less time and allows for play at lower stakes.

Online play also attracts a different audience because it lacks the social element of being around other players at a physical property.

The study claims that casino operators have not observed can-

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nibalization. In fact their study showed that 100% of respondents stated that their land-based revenue either “stayed roughly the same” or “moderately increased” following the introduction of online casino play. “No one we spoke to believed that their online casino revenue had cannibalized their land-based casino revenue.”

The study shows that online casinos can have a positive impact on land-based casino revenue. There are six states where both land-based and online casinos currently operate. For each state, the study compared the growth rate of land-based casino revenue before online casinos were introduced there with the growth rate after online casinos were introduced. In all six states, land-based casino revenue was positively impacted by the introduction of online casinos. The amount of that improvement, quarterly, ranged from +0.34% in Connecticut to +6.02% in West Virginia, with an average increase of +2.44%.

Creating a regulated iGaming market in Chicago and Illinois is essential to keeping players

paying local taxes. Without a legal iGaming framework, many betters will use offshore online casinos that operate outside U.S. jurisdiction, cutting local tax collectors out of the action.

**A framework regulated by the State of Illinois also allows government officials to monitor your activity, identify problematic behavior, and ensure operators comply with consumer protection rules.**

Offshore betting sites are not subject to state oversight, nor due they have clear dispute resolution standards, leaving players with limited recourse if issues arise.

By legalizing and regulating iGaming, Illinois could provide safer alternatives that require identity verification, enforce fair-play standards, and offer responsible gambling tools such as self-exclusion and deposit limits. And of course the pride and satisfaction of knowing you'll be paying

local taxes.

The Eilers & Krejcik study showed that online casinos grow the overall tax revenues collected by states - “and not just because of new online revenue. Land-based casino revenues have consistently been positively impacted by the introduction of online casinos, due in large part to the differences in the customers who prefer each type of gaming.”

A framework regulated by the State of Illinois also allows government officials to monitor your activity, identify problematic behavior, and ensure operators comply with consumer protection rules.

Leading iGaming operators like BetMGM, FanDuel, DraftKings, and bet365 continue to dominate the virtual betting market with extensive game selections and competitive promotions. Gamblers can also explore platforms like Caesars, PointsBet, and Hard Rock Bet for other state-specific betting options.

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administration. Chicago is not without experience as CPD Supt. Larry Snelling formerly led the department’s counterterrorism bureau.

In a publicly released statement, the FBI’s National Press Office said, “FBI personnel continue to be fully engaged across the country and prepared to mobilize any security assets needed to assist federal partners – as well as state

and local law enforcement. As always, we ask the public to please report anything that may seem suspicious to law enforcement - 1-800-CALL-FBI and tips.fbi.gov.”

The Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communication reminds the public “to be aware of their surroundings and to report suspicious activity – especially in large gatherings. If you notice something suspicious call 9-1-1.”

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people who Ellis described as merely neighbors “who have shown up for each other.”

Ellis’ order was quickly blocked on appeal by the Seventh Circuit panel, with judges saying they were troubled by Ellis’ apparent judicial overreach, seeking to exert control even over the President of the United States himself.

Following that ruling, the anti-ICE activist plaintiffs moved to abandon their case altogether, rather than risk a possible precedent-setting decision that could frustrate future efforts to sue ICE. They then asked Judge Ellis to dismiss the lawsuit.

Ellis, however, declined to do

so — or at least to do so on the plaintiffs’ terms.

While claiming control over the new Illinois governmental lawsuit, Ellis also formally dismissed the activists’ legal action. But she did so in a way which both the Dept. of Justice and the federal appeals judges recognized could allow activists to jump right back into court and secure a similar order in the future.

Seeking to shut down such “dangerous” legal maneuvers before they begin, the appeals court majority said they believed the appropriate move in the case now was to eviscerate Ellis’ “constitutionally suspect” injunction.

The majority issued a so-called order of “vacatur,” meaning it

is as if Ellis’ order was never issued.

In the ruling, the majority also took aim at the evidence Ellis relied upon. They criticized her decision to treat government witnesses as unreliable, while readily accepting claims from activist plaintiffs as credible, even when in dispute.

They said the vacatur was needed to send a message to Ellis and other district courts to not make the same mistakes.

Ellis, for instance, has already indicated she will allow the state of Illinois and city of Chicago to use the evidentiary record built in the earlier case to help establish their claims, too.

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have that problem in my area, but maybe in some larger cities, they don’t want that on the death certificate for some reason, whether it’s life insurance or something else,” said Harris.

Peoria County coroner Jamie Harwood said the proposed bill would force coroners to report deaths in a way that conflicts with their professional standards. With nearly 30 years in critical care and nine years as coroner, Harwood emphasized the oath coroners take to ensure “justice and integrity” in every death investigation.

“Here in Peoria County, when our forensic pathologist deter-

mines a cause of death based on toxicology for a presumptive overdose, she lists every drug that contributed, such as heroin and fentanyl, as an intoxication. It’s not a poisoning – it’s an intoxication,” said Harwood. “Whatever is on the forensic autopsy is what we are required to put in line A of the death certificate. Anything that isn’t consistent with that is counterintuitive and simply not correct. I stand with the association in opposition.”

Harwood noted that there is currently no uniform standard across Illinois for labeling overdose deaths. Each coroner may follow slightly different practices depending on the forensic pathologist’s report.

**North Township Real Estate For Sale**

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE CWMB, INC., CHL MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH TRUST 2005-04, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-04, Plaintiff, -v.- REGINA VALUTYTE N/K/A REGINA PAVLICIC, DEJAN J PAVLICIC A/K/A DEJAN PAVLICIC A/K/A DEJAN J PAVLICIC A/K/A DEJAN J PAVLICIC

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A/K/A DEJAN PAVLICIC, CITIZENS BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SSI-PAVLICIC II, LLC, A SERIES OF SSI-SAM LORENZO LLC, 535 N. MICHIGAN AVE. CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS GENERALLY, AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS. Defendants. 2025CH02587 535 North Michigan Avenue, Unit 1410, 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 12/15/2025, an agent of Auction.com, LLC will conduct the On-line Only auction at www.auction.com, with the bidding window opening on 3/23/2026 at 10:00 AM CDT and closing on March 25, 2026 at 10:00 AM subject to extension, and will sell at public sale to

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the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate. Commonly known as 535 North Michigan Avenue, Unit 1410, Chicago, IL 60611 Property Index No. 17-10-122-025-1185 The real estate is improved with a Condominium. The judgment amount was \$196,853.76 Sale Terms: Full Sale Terms are available on the property page at www.auction.com by entering 535 North Michigan Avenue, Unit 1410 into the search bar. If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, the winning bidder must pay the full bid amount within twenty-four (24) hours of the auction's end. All payments must be certified funds. No third-party checks will be accepted. All bidders will need to register at www.auction.com prior to placing a bid. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes

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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) (l) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the

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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. For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: Kluever Law Group, LLC (312) 236-0077 please refer to file number SMS001416-25FC1. Auction.com, LLC 100 N LaSalle St., Suite 1400, Chicago, IL 60602 - 872-225-4985 You can also visit www.auction.com. Attorney File No. SMS001416-25FC1 Case Number: 2025CH02587 NOTE: PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, YOU ARE ADVISED THAT PLAINTIFF'S AT-

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION GREENSTATE CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff, v. CLAYTON ISTHMUS, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, MATTHEW C. COHEN, CITY OF CHICAGO, ALL PERSONS IN POSSESSION OF THE LAND, UNKNOWN AND NON-RECORD PARTIES, and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants. Property: 1522 West Thorndale Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60660 No. 2024CH8243 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 29, 2025, the Sheriff of Cook County will at 1:00 PM on April 22, 2026, at the Richard J. Daley Center, Lower Level Room 06, 50 W. Washington, Chicago, IL 60602, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 1522 West Thorndale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60660 Property Index No. 14-05-300-027-0000 The real estate is improved as an apartment property. The judgment amount was \$1,913,568.00. Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction. 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

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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. For information, contact GREGORY P. ADAMO, CLINGEN CALLOW & MCLEAN, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 2300 CABOT DRIVE, STE 500, LISLE, IL 60532 (630) 871-2600.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION LOAN FUNDER LLC, SERIES 18513 Plaintiff vs. DISTINCTIVE DWELLINGS, LLC, ROBERT STEVEN BAYLESS, MARY ANN SKWERES Defendant 23 CH 1750 CALENDAR NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on April 7, 2026, at the hour 11:00 a.m., Intercounty's office, 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, IL 60602, sell, in person, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate: P.I.N. 14-06-408-012-0000. Commonly known as 1676 WEST EDGEWATER AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60660. The real estate is: multi family residence. The successful purchaser is entitled to possession of the property only The purchaser may only obtain possession of units within the multi-unit property occupied by individuals named in the order of possession. Sale terms: At sale, the bidder must have 10% (or 25% if so ordered in the Judgment of Foreclosure) down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property is sold AS IS subject to all liens or encumbrances. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the circuit court case record, property tax record and the title record to verify all information before bidding. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSES-

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SION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Law Offices of Ira T. Nevel, 175 North Franklin Street, Suite 201, Chicago, Illinois 60606. (312) 357-1125. 23-00401 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com 13282554  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING Plaintiff, -v.- MARIA E. SANTANA, JOSE J. SANTANA, SHORELINE PARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 2025CH02326 4970 N. MARINE DR UNIT 728 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 July 22, 2025, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 27, 2026, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 4970 N. MARINE DR UNIT 728, CHICAGO, IL 60640 Property Index No. 14-08-412-040-1242

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The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$93,968.32. Sale terms: If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues

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where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, contact JOHNSON, BLUMBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 30 N. LASALLE STREET, SUITE 3650, CHICAGO, IL, 60602 (312) 541-9710. Please refer to file number 25-1263. 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. JOHNSON, BLUMBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC 30 N. LASALLE STREET, SUITE 3650 Chicago IL, 60602 E-Mail: lpleadings@johnsonblumberg.com Attorney File No. 25-1263 Attorney Code. 40342 Case Number: 2025CH02326 T.J.S.C#: 46-421 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 2025CH02326 13282345  
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## Notice of Public Sale

Pro Self Storage intends to enforce its lien on certain self service Storage Spaces in default listed below on the 20th of March 2026 at 12:00 p.m. at 3632 E. Lake Ave. Wilmette, IL 60091 at [www.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com) with the sale to conclude no earlier than 12:00 p.m.

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4000 Erika J Galvan  
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## Rogers Park Township Real Estate For Sale

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION CITIGROUP MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST INC. ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH-CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-AMC4, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE Plaintiff vs. HORACIO GRANADOS; ST. ANTHONY BANK, A FSB; RESTORE CONSTRUCTION, INC.; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendant 25 CH 6704 CALENDAR 62 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercountry Judicial Sales Corporation will on April 14, 2026, at the hour 11:00 a.m., Intercountry's office, 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, IL 60602, sell, in person, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate: P.I.N. 10-25-302-055-0000. Commonly known as 2909 W. Howard St., Chicago, IL 60645. The real estate is: single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 189.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: At sale, the bidder must have 10% (or 25% if so ordered in the Judgment of Foreclosure) down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property is sold AS IS subject to all liens or encumbrances. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the circuit court case record, property tax record and the title record to verify all information before bidding. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Diaz Anselmo & Associates P.A., 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL 60563. (630) 453-6960. 6710-215024 INTERCOUNTRY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountryjudicialsales.com **13282922**

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2017-3, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE Plaintiff, vs. JOSE R. GONZALEZ, ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, 6528 N. FRANCISCO CONDO ASSOCIATION Defendants 2024 CH 07717 6528 N FRANCISCO AVE, UNIT 1E 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 January 5, 2026, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on April 8, 2026, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 6528 N FRANCISCO AVE, UNIT 1E, CHICAGO, IL 60645 Property Index No. 10-36-317-019-0000 & 10-36-317-041-1002 The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$217,090.19. Sale terms: If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION MIDFIRST BANK Plaintiff, vs. UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, ROGERS PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF EMINA DZAMBEGOVIC, DECEASED, HADZIRA DZAMBEGOVIC, DAMON RITENHOUSE, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF EMINA DZAMBEGOVIC Defendants 2022CH08405

### Real Estate For Sale

1615 WEST GREENLEAF AVENUE UNIT F 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 4, 2025, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on April 6, 2026, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 1615 WEST GREENLEAF AVENUE UNIT F, CHICAGO, IL 60626 Property Index No. 11-31-213-037-0000 The real estate is improved with a single family residence. The judgment amount was \$145,823.48. Sale terms: If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues

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where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, contact MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, ONE EAST WACKER, SUITE 1250, Chicago, IL, 60601 (312) 651-6700. Please refer to file number 22-020692. 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](http://www.jscc.com) for a 7 day status report of pending sales. MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC ONE EAST WACKER, SUITE 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 312-651-6700 E-Mail: [AMPS@manleydeas.com](mailto:AMPS@manleydeas.com) Attorney File No. 22-020692 Attorney Code: 48928 Case Number: 2022CH08405 TJSC#: 46-407 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 2022CH08405 8231-962437

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION ONSLOW BAY FINANCIAL LLC, Plaintiff, vs. SHAHNAZ FATIMA; HOME BY THE PARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; Defendants. 2025CH08081 6420 N. Claremont Ave. Unit 2N, 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 11/24/2025, an agent of Auction.com, LLC will conduct the Online Only auction at [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com), with the bidding window opening on 3/23/2026 at 10:00 AM CDT and closing on March 25, 2026 at 10:00 AM subject to extension, and will sell at public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate. Commonly known as 6420 N. Claremont Ave. Unit 2N, Chicago, IL 60645 Property Index No. 11-31-312-045-1002 The real estate is improved with a Condominium. The judgment amount was \$106,119.85 Sale Terms: Full Sale Terms are available on the property page at [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com) by entering 6420 N. Claremont Ave. Unit 2N into the search bar. If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, the winning bidder must pay the full bid amount within twenty-

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four (24) hours of the auction's end. All payments must be certified funds. No third-party checks will be accepted. All bidders will need to register at [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com) prior to placing a bid. 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. For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC (630) 453-6960 please refer to file number 1463-217178. Auction.com, LLC 100 N LaSalle St., Suite 1400, Chicago, IL 60602 - 872-225-4985 You can also visit [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com). Attorney File No. 1463-217178 Case Number: 2025CH08081 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. **13282290**

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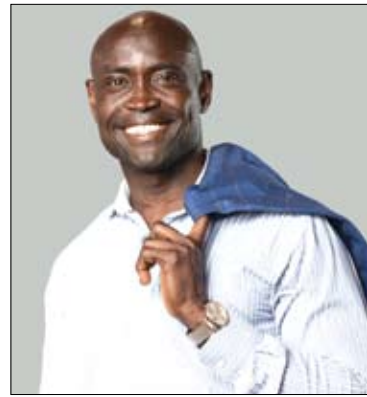
## Nutritionist talk at Wild Onion Market March 14

Sunny Akhigbe, founder of the nonprofit A Boy and His Dream, will present a free event and nutrition talk, 2 p.m. Saturday, March 14, at Wild Onion Market grocery, 7007 N. Clark St.

Akhigbe's nonprofit is dedicated to creating opportunities for youth through education, mentorship, nutrition, and community support. He will lead this informative session focused on practical, accessible approaches to healthy eating.

A native of Nigeria, Akhigbe now calls Chicago home. He is a business professional, a certified fitness coach and motivational speaker.

His talk will explore how to eat well within real-world constraints such as cost, access, and time. Topics include selecting wholesome foods on a budget and making everyday food choices that support long-term health for individuals and families. This event is free and open to the public.



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### Letters to the Editor

#### Reopening settled zoning warrants clear justification

Daniel Burnham urged Chicago to “make no little plans,” a call to civic ambition grounded in public purpose. Zoning law serves a parallel function: it establishes predictable rules governing height, bulk, and Floor Area Ratio. When those rules are amended, the public purpose should be clear and proportionate.

In 2006, after sustained community advocacy, Chicago adopted height limits along Sheridan Rd. restricting new construction to roughly six stories. That downzoning wasn't a suggestion. It is law, collaboratively developed with residents, passed by the full City Council, and incorporated into the Municipal Code.

At the Feb. 27 Emanuel Congregation forum [story March 4], Fern Hill displayed proposals ranging from 12 to nearly 40 stories without reference to those adopted limits. The alderman noted that “no decisions have been made” but offered no reminder that a foundational decision already exists. Current zoning carries legal force. Reopening settled zoning warrants clear justification.

Old Town experienced a similar progression. Downzoning was followed years later by zoning map and Planned Development amendments enabling materially greater bulk. When amendments erode what a downzoning was de-

#### Fern Hill fairy tale

I've lived in Chicago 70 years this year. The fairy tale about the Emanuel Congregation development plan was entertaining.

Folks it's a done deal! All the blah blah blah will only forestall the construction.

*Juris Gaudins  
Rogers Park*

signed to limit, the issue becomes reliance. Homeowners rely on zoning for long-term value, and condominium lenders rely on it for their collateral values.

*Tim Carew  
Old Town*

#### PLAZA from p. 1

ty, and an improved customer experience. In addition, new accent lighting will highlight the historic segment of the Berlin Wall that is on display at the station.

The station's floors and interior walls are being refinished and the station's elevator cabs, stair treads and risers are all being replaced. A new customer service assistance kiosk will be added, to improve customer support for rides.

On the platform, the concrete platform edge will be replaced, and repairs will be made to the existing platform, handrails, and the platform canopy.

“This rehabilitation includes critical updates to station infrastructure, platform repairs, and improvements to the bus turnaround, ensuring smoother operations for both train and bus services at the station,” according to a spokesperson for the CTA.

The original Western Brown Line Station was built in 1920 as part of the CTA's Ravenswood branch. The station's last significant updates were made between 1979 and 1981, according to information posted on the CTA's website.

In a quirk of Chicago zoning, the existence of the publicly-owned plaza enabled the owner of

the Canvas at Leland apartment building, 4713 N. Western Ave., to build at a higher density than normally allowed under existing zoning.

Construction has also occurred under the CTA's Elevated tracks between Lincoln Ave. and the alley next to the CTA plaza.

Due to the ongoing construction, Lincoln Square's popular Maifest, which in previous years has been held at the city-owned parking lot at Leland and Lincoln Ave., will once again be held at the city-owned parking lot at 4521 N. Lincoln Ave.

#### LEVELS from p. 1

zones and changes in thermal conditions affecting the survival of certain fish and plankton.

Most North Siders should realize that in an earlier era, much of the land east of Clark St. was swampy wetlands ponds and streams.

With those barrier lands now gone, high wind and wave events during periods of high water levels can cause shoreline flooding and erosion, while low water levels can increase the need for dredging in harbors and canals.

Many still recall the troubles of 2020, when lakefront areas took a beating from Mother Nature as Lake Michigan topped its highest-ever recorded level, That high water level occurred in Jan. 2020, breaking the previous 1986 record. During this period, the lake reached approximately 582.35 feet above sea level. Water levels remained near this, record high throughout the summer of 2020 before beginning to decline.

Lakefront areas of Rogers Park and Edgewater were particularly hard hit.

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Low levels are a problem too. Hydropower generation is also vulnerable to low water levels when the slower water movements to turn the turbines weakens the capacity to generate electricity. Recreational boating can be adversely affected by low water levels, particularly in already shallow areas.

Since 1951, there has been an 14% increase in region-total precipitation as well as a 35% increase in the amount of precipitation falling in the heaviest 1% of storms.

Annual air temperatures have increased by 2.3 degrees [F] in the U.S. Great Lakes region since 1951, with lake temperatures also

rising.

Annual average ice cover on the Great Lakes underwent a shift from higher amounts prior to the 1990s to lower amounts in recent decades. There remains strong year-to-year variability, and high ice years are still possible.

The timing of spring snowmelt is also changing. During the period of 1960 – 2000, observed snow depths in the late winter and early spring decreased, implying an earlier onset of spring thaw.

Lake Michigan's lowest recorded monthly average water level occurred in Jan. 2013, when it dropped to 576.02 feet. This record followed a prolonged period of low water from 1998–2013.

The Jan. 2013 low broke the previous record set in March 1964.

In 1998, there was a sharp decline in water levels on the upper Great Lakes [Superior, Michigan, and Huron] that persisted for 17 years. This decline and subsequent period of low water levels has been attributed to warmer temperatures, low ice cover, increased evaporation, and decreased runoff.