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Lincoln Yards deal speeding through approval process

BY PATRICK BUTLER

After a rare nine-to-four vote at a four-hour Zoning Committee hearing last week, the controversial Lincoln Yards project is headed for its last stop at the City Council, where a final vote is expected this week.

Zoning Committee Chairman Ald. James Cappleman [46th] had initially said he wanted to postpone the vote on Lincoln Yards,

but in a rarely ever seen effort in City Hall he was over-ruled by attending committee members who voted against postponing the vote. Typically when a committee chairman asks to defer something, it's deferred.

Although up to a dozen aldermen may still speak out against the plan at today's City Council meeting, a majority of the 50-member council would be needed to block the \$6 billion project, said to be

one of the biggest private development plans ever conceived in Chicago's history. The speed that this proposal and its accompanying \$900 million in tax funding is progressing through city council is startling, clearly there are many who wanted this deal closed before a new mayor and city council are seated in late May. Mayoral candidates Lori Lightfoot and

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Civil battle between candidates in 47th Ward

BY JIM VAIL

The 47th Ward runoff candidates forum was held at the Davis Theater March 9 before a live audience of about 250 people and also streamed online with over 400 views.

The runoff is between Matt Martin, a civil rights attorney for the IL Attorney General against Michael Negrón, who worked for Mayor Rahm Emanuel. Both are attorneys.

The 47th Ward includes parts of North Center, Lincoln Square, Lakeview and Uptown. They will face each other on April 2 after Martin earned 39% of the vote vs. Negrón's 21%.

Martin, who is on the McPherson Local School Council, said he is running because the city is not affordable and the schools are under-resourced. He said it is important to be an independent alderman, but able to work with the mayor.

Martin wants 25% affordable housing mandate for new developments, while Negrón said he would require 15% affordable housing because developers need an incentive. Negrón also stated that a higher affordable housing requirement would push bigger developments which would not be good for the ward.

Negrón said he would increase by five percent Ald. Ameya Pawar's current 10% on site affordable housing requirement.

Unlike the mayoral election runoff, these two aldermanic candidates were quite civil to each other. They focused on the issues, and there was no name calling.

"I think his heart is in the right place," Negrón said in deference

to Martin's affordable housing plan. Civil indeed!

Martin countered that his 25% mandate is for big developments, not 3- or 4- flats. He said other communities are already doing this. But he said community groups need to come together and increase more affordable housing. He said the city should rely less on property tax revenues.

Martin said it is important to look to revenue first to solve the city's fiscal problems, such as a real estate transaction tax, marijuana legalization, and TIF reform which syphons \$600 million from city budget.

Negrón said he believes in progressive income tax, but not a city income tax. He noted NY City has an income tax, and the middle class have left the city where it is too expensive.

Martin noted on the other hand that cities like San Antonio and Denver have a city income tax and they are doing quite well.

Negrón and Martin said they're both undecided on who to support for mayor.

What do they think of running for another office like Ald. Pawar did where he ran for governor and city treasurer?

Both said the alderman's job is full-time, but the question wasn't asked if they support having a side job. Both said they would focus on not running for a higher office. Pawar also held a full-time day job with Northwestern during his two terms.

City services such as tree trimming, pot holes and garbage pickup are important issues that need to be addressed, but housing affordability is the big question, Martin said. Negrón took a

rare shot at the current alderman by noting Pawar did not address those day to day concerns.

"Ameya Pawar, I love him, but I don't think he was as involved in the day to day city services," Negrón said.

What city legislation would they propose once in office?

Negrón said he would encourage the mayor to pass a citywide ethics reform that would expand the job of the city inspector general, put limits on aldermanic privilege, and said the independent budget office should be more independent.

"The culture needs to be changed at City Hall," Negrón said.

Martin said there are two, including the ethics reform, and public safety, including a police oversight board, so the city doesn't need to spend the millions on police brutality lawsuits. This is an issue Martin has worked on in the Attorney General's office.

What to do to support local business?

Negrón said while he worked in City Hall in the Emanuel administration he worked on lowering the number of business licenses and fees and said the ward should look at business real estate development. Martin noted that property taxes have hurt local businesses so progressive sources of revenue are necessary, and work more with the chamber of commerce to make sure the business is sustainable.

What percent of their campaign came from local businesses and ward residents?

Martin said zero percent from local businesses, but many resi-

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Community Policing meetings

The Commander of the 19th District Police is inviting neighbors to participate in two meetings concerning the 19th District Community Policing Strategic Plan. The first will be held on March 14 and the

second on April 3. Both meetings will be held at the Uptown Buena Library at 929 W. Buena from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more details, feel free to reach out to the 19th CAPS office at 312-744-0064.

CTA's Addison Station getting \$4 million fix, partial closures through April 1

Phase One of the Red and Purple Modernization [RPM] project is now set to focus on the Addison St. stop on the Red Line.

Work began last Friday and is expected to cause disruption at that station through April 1, right about when the Cubs season gets underway. Cubs' opening day is April 8.

The CTA is putting nearly \$4 million into railroad track improvements, replacing worn track, on the Red Line at Addison station. The project hopes to provide a smoother ride and eliminate slow zones and track conditions that could lead to future slow zones.

During the work, CTA will continue to provide Red and Purple Line service; however, CTA recommends that customers plan ahead and allow extra travel time. Work will be performed on the two westernmost tracks that carry southbound Red and Purple Line Express service.

For three weeks (now thru March 25), the Addison station will offer southbound Red Line service only and will not provide northbound service at Addison during that period. People riding northbound trains to Addison, or who board northbound trains at Addison, will need to use the Sheridan or Belmont stations to board northbound trains.

Riders can board a southbound train at Addison, alight at Belmont and cross over to the other platform to board a northbound

Red Line train.

As Sheridan station is not accessible, customers who require an accessible station will have to use Belmont or Wilson stations to enter, exit or transfer between the Red and Purple lines.

The work will also impact local vehicular traffic, offering occasional sidewalk and parking restrictions and intermittent street and alley closures.

The Addison station will close the weekend of March 29 - April 1.

The Addison station will close the weekend of March 29 - April 1 because there will be no trains stopping at Addison. The station will be served by shuttle buses that can transport passengers to the next station.

Phase One also includes reconstructing the Lawrence, Argyle, Berwyn and Bryn Mawr Red Line stations into larger, 100% accessible stations and track structure totaling six miles that is nearly a century old; building a rail bypass north of Belmont station that will improve service reliability on the Red, Purple and Brown lines, increasing train speeds, easing overcrowding on rail cars, and providing additional train service capacity for projected future growth; and installing a new signal system on 23 track miles between Howard and Belmont that.



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Lack of victimhood saved the Irish from the dead end of pity and despair



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

Cultural biases and embarrassing stereotypes have pursued the Irish wherever they've gone. Whether that's to a neighboring village or to a side street in Bridgeport, Canaryville or Edison Park. Scrutiny chases the Irish like a hungry canine, parish by parish, ward by ward and precinct by precinct. On both sides of the pew, voting booth or jail cell.

Immigration to America has always been a rough crossing whether the sea was stormy or calm. Sometimes landfall proved an even more tempestuous climate for the Irish than the oceans crossed.

Ireland's great nobel poet, William Butler Yeats said it best: "Out of Ireland we have come. Great hatred, little room, Maimed us at the start. I carry from my mother's womb a fanatic heart."

The "fanatic heart" has always been the way things are measured in extremes for the Irish. Too much anger. Too much laughter. Too much alcohol. Too much conflict. Too much memory. Too much family. Too much violence. Too many wounds. Propelled always by politics, poverty, popery and pride. It's always been a mixed formula for uprootedness, alienation, melancholia, self-de-



Richard J. Daley became Mayor of Chicago in April 1955. The very next year, the city's newspapers announced he was planning "a parade" for March 17—St. Patrick's Day. *Courtesy of chicagohistorytoday*

struction and success.

On this St. Patrick's Day 2019, it's a wonder there are any of us left.

Perhaps this is the reason there's always a bit of reluctance in what the Irish do or where the Irish go. Some might say it's the reason for our optimism. Staying positive even in the face of commanding odds. While others insist it's the reason we remain skeptics. Our reticence in buying everything we're fed. The source of a cautious optimism. The results, all the same, fill us with a healthy sense of suspicion and concern in life. Possessed both by expansive hope and uncluttered realism. Not a bad way to be on St. Patrick's Day.

That's all good to know lest the flummery and devotion of St. Patrick's Day remains obscured behind a veil of cultural braggadocio and chest thumping boorishness. Sometimes it's too easy to abandon the refinements of poetic achievement and antique majesty. The assimilation of political significance and grandeur of hard work and employment. In America loutish behavior and stage Irish affectations are as easy to embrace as a green beer or a

fist fight and slurred words.

For too long, the Irish roamed a no-man's land of exile and second class citizenship in the old world. In the astonishing vortex of the new they uncovered an ascending achievement of the American dream, freeing themselves from their own destructive penchant for extremes.

Always at work in the life of the Irish wherever they listed and roamed was the haunted consequence of searching for a place they could call home. It is in that endeavor upon every landmass they trod that in the wandering they found freedom, and the exile found peace. Two powerful virtues revived in the abundance and spaciousness of American life.

The Irish arrived in America with many gifts, but none more critical than the ability to speak the language of power. Our cultural fluency in a language not our own, forced on us in centuries of oppression, became the ultimate irony in a new home where English gave an unfathomable boost to employment, education and achievement.

We were victims no more.

From Back Bay and the Fenway in Boston to the steep inclines of San Francisco hills, to the flat land of the heartland Prairie the geography of America opened its arms to Irish rebels, revolutionaries, political agitators, religious enthusiasts, legal scholars, teachers, philosophers, physicians, and the survivors of famine, oppression, injustice, rebellion and poverty. In their new home they stood tall with Yankee-born Americans with whom they shared a sense of freedom and life. A strange mix of aristocrats, scholars, angry discontents and the dis-established rural poor. That's no easy mix. Each group in each generation unfurling a banner of conflicting



Leading off this year's St. Patrick's Day Parade will be Irish Taoiseach (Prime Minister) Leo Varadkar, seen here with his partner, Dr. Matthew Barrett.

politics and aggravating cultural stereotypes.

But the ability of America to stretch its arms around them all proved a reasonable invitation to America's version of revolution, civil war and pioneer citizenship. What it never permitted the Irish was the time to embrace a sense of "victimhood." A scourge that on St. Patrick's Day must be acknowledged and left behind. America did not permit the Irish to wallow in their tears or their sorrow. The geography of the nation offered alternatives to the heartache of the past.

The proportions of American citizenship allowed the contours of reason to shape the future for the hardworking Irish for whom the nation could be a home. Not surrendering to victimhood saved the Irish from the dead end of pity and the blind alley of despair. With that sense of hope the Irish built the infrastructure of the nation, metropolis after metropolis, and restored the nation's hope after civil discord. A crucial self-awarenesses to hold on St. Patrick's Day when it's too easy to allow our foibles and stereotypes to ransack the refined heritage we share.

The Yankee air will always be filled with the promise our ancestors first uncovered in the fragrant scent of their American journey. There, discovering a civility denied them in the land of their birth. A harmony that is a Chicago treasure carried deep in the soul of the Irish, lifted high in neighborhood after neighborhood.

The festivities around St. Patrick's Day celebrate the opportunities found. The jobs a plenty, education unlimited and millions of futures open for all. Hallowed opportunities remembered with a nostalgic bit of green that says we

have survived. We are welcome. We are home.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY: An Taoiseach (Prime Minister) of Ireland, **Leo Varadkar**, is coming to lead off Chicago's St. Patrick's Day Parade down Columbus Dr. at 12 Noon on Saturday, March 16. Varadkar and **Michael King**, TD, Minister for Rural and Community Development, will be the honored guests at the Irish Fellowship Club of Chicago's St. Patrick's Day Dinner on Friday, March 15 at the Hilton Chicago Hotel. Join the parade with 2019 Parade Queen **Madeline Mitchell** and Grand Marshal **Terry Hancock**, Teamsters Joint Local #25, along with St. Ignatius College Prep, Guest of Honor celebrating 150 years.

DID YOU KNOW? Leo Varadkar is the son of an Indian immigrant to Ireland and an Irish mother? Born in Ireland, like his father, he is also a physician, and

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Not feeling very Irish, how about this St. Paddy's weekend alternative?

If you were forced to quickly abandon your home and could only bring the few items that you could carry, what would you grab and why?



Heart of the 'Hood By Felicia Dechter

That's the incredibly difficult decision that had to be made by some 120,000 or so people who were rounded up and thrown into internment camps, in America, during World War II. Over two-thirds of those incarcerated were actually American citizens, and half of them were children.

It's an often forgotten and shocking story, and it will be told twice only in "An American Dream," a contemporary chamber opera from Lyric Unlimited, Lyric's education and community engagement arm. The March 15 and 17 shows will be held at the Harris Theater, 205 E. Randolph St.

If you're looking for an alternative to the insanity of St. Paddy's Day, this sounds like it's going to be one powerful performance.

It's based on the true story of several Puget Sound residents in Washington State, said opera director Matthew Ozawa, a fourth generation Japanese American whose father was born in an internment camp and whose aunt died in one.

Set during World War II, composer Jack Perla and librettist Jessica Murphy Moo tell the intertwining stories exploring the lives of two women: a Japanese American forced to leave her home, and a German-Jewish immigrant preoccupied by those she left behind. Last month marked the 77th anniversary of President Franklin Roosevelt signing Executive Order 9066, which allowed for so many Japanese Americans -- and some German and European Americans as well -- to be rounded up and incarcerated in relocation camps for years.

Again, what would you grab if you only could take what you could carry of a lifetime of belongings? Women and children couldn't schlep a lot, some folks carried suitcases or trunks while others had to give away, sell, or trade in most of their belongings before they were sent off, Ozawa said.

"What do you choose when looking at the breadth of everything you own?" Ozawa asked. "What do you choose?" Ozawa's father chose three family heirlooms, which were given to Ozawa and his siblings. It was all his father had left of his history, and his life.

"There's a lot the show brought back," said Ozawa, who ended up visiting his own family history also.



The powerful contemporary American opera, "An American Dream" will be shown in two performances only at the Harris Theater.

Photo courtesy of Philip Newton, Seattle Opera



Striking images will be on display during the American opera at the Harris Theater, on loan from the Alphawood Foundation from its 2017 exhibition, "Then They Came for Me: Incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II."

"My dad was a preemie baby who wasn't meant to survive," said Ozawa. "The barracks were harsh and surrounded by wired fences and armed guards. My father's sister died in the camp. What lesson did we learn and how can we not have that happen again?"

Find out more at the show, where a free, pre-opera talk will begin one hour before curtain and the audience is also invited to a post-performance discussion. Also, head on out to the lobby and check out the striking images on loan from the Alphawood Foundation from its 2017 exhibition, "Then They Came for Me: Incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II."

"I hope everyone from all walks of life comes," said Ozawa. "I think it is relevant to everybody because it's about home and about belonging. People should come and see it because of its relevancy, aspects of home and our connection to family objects."

"It looks at how things came to be, how we treat each other," he said. "We should have empathy towards our brothers and sisters."

Both Ozawa and I decided we would grab our family photos. How about you?

A great escape... Come see Ken Krimstein's whimsy-ish exhibit, "The Three Escapes of Hannah Arendt," whose opening reception will be held the evening of March 14 at the Spertus Institute for Jewish Learning and Leadership, 610 S.

Michigan Ave.

Hannah Arendt lived from 1906 to 1975 and was said to be a key political thinker of the 20th century, advancing path-breaking approaches to understanding the world.

Check out Krimstein's original illustrations, sketches, and artwork and explore his portrayal of Arendt's evolving thinking as she escaped Nazi Germany and made a new life in New York City.

Through Krimstein's work, eavesdrop on the conversations of intellectual life in pre-WWII Europe, populated with the artists, writers, and thinkers Arendt encountered—including Marc Chagall, Marlene Dietrich, Walter Benjamin, Albert Einstein, and Sigmund Freud. Krimstein spent two-and-a-half years reading Arendt's work, and as he dug deeper, everything about her drew him in.

"I don't want to sound like some kind of crazy fan boy, but literally, the breadth of her thinking blew me away," he said.

"I've been so influenced by what she has to say about art, poetry, and people, beyond totalitarianism. Her character really appealed to me because she was very strong, questioning, and bold, and I tried to show that. She was so engaged with the world and took it so seriously that she sometimes



Ken Krimstein's version of Hannah Arendt.

made mistakes, but she never did anything in half measures."

The exhibition, which runs through June 23, is inspired by Krimstein's graphic biography of the same name, "The Three Escapes of Hannah Arendt." Krimstein will be interviewed by Alexandra Salomon, editor of WBEZ's Curious City, followed by a book signing.



Eli's cheesecake president Marc Schulman, right, and Chief Judge Ruben Castillo celebrate the 200th birthday of the Federal Courts in Illinois with a massive treat.

Break me off a piece of that... How scrumptious does that gigantic Eli's cheesecake look? So delectable that it makes me want to run to the store in the cold to get some. Anyway, Eli's Cheesecake President Marc Schulman was "delighted" that Eli's created the 200th Anniversary cheesecake for the celebration of the Federal Courts in Illinois being authorized by Congress on March 3, 1819. The Cake cutting was held March 1 in the lobby of the Dirksen Federal Courthouse. "It was my honor to participate in the celebration with my Northwestern Law School classmate, Ruben Castillo, the Chief Judge for the Northern District of Illinois," Schulman said.

Sweetie pie... TheWit Hotel's award-winning pastry chef Toni Roberts is offering \$1 slices of the southern favorite, chess pie, in honor of Pi Day on March 14. Starting at 4 p.m., get a slice or two at State and Lake Chicago Tavern, located on the lobby level of the hotel, 201 N. State St.

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A raft of restaurant recognitions for Rendón's Chilam Balam

BY ROXANE ASSAF-LYNN

"I fell in love with Al Capone," chuckled Soraya Rendón, 43, owner of Chilam Balam, 3023 N. Broadway, recalling her long-distance crush at age seven. Intrigued by the nattily dressed strongman on TV, she vowed to move to Chicago and out of the squalid sprawl of Mexico City.

"I must have liked bad boys." Known to her family as a rebel, Rendón made the move on her own at 22, speaking only Spanish, and without enough cash for even one month's rent. She never imagined that a dozen years later, she would own and manage a "Michelin Guide Chicago Bib Gourmand" restaurant in one of the trendiest neighborhoods in town.

Chilam Balam is in its ninth year with Michelin's Bib Gourmand designation, one of 58 eateries in Chicago said to deliver a quality two-course meal that includes a glass of wine or desert for under \$40. The restaurant got a jump-start within a year of its 2009 opening with a feature on the Food Network's "Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives," garnering recognitions also from TimeOut and the Chicago Tribune.

Rather than resting on its laurels, however, Chilam Balam continues to earn high marks on the way to its 10th anniversary, awarded "Best Farm to Table Restaurant" by the Lakeview East



Chilam Balam Chicago was named 2019 Best Farm to Table restaurant by the Lakeview Chamber of Commerce. [L-R] Maureen Martino, of the Lakeview East Chamber and Soraya Rendón, owner of Chilam Balam.

Chamber of Commerce in Feb. 2019.

Rendón was grateful but matter-of-fact about her serial successes, attributing much to her high-energy compulsion for adventure and achievement. "I knew I wanted to explore outside my country and away from my family," she remembered, already planning to eschew the cultural norm of living at home with parents – even after marriage. "They always said I was crazy, and never wanted to follow rules."

A sentimental wanderer

Yet when conceiving farm-fresh Mexican cuisine for her subterranean East Lakeview storefront, Rendón is an innovative traditionalist in collaboration with Chef Natalie Oswald, rebelling only against Tex-Mex iterations of her native cocina. "You do not find burritos, you do not find nachos. We're true Mexican," she pledged. "We follow traditional

recipes, but it's sustainable and upscale."

So bent on legacy is Rendón, she even turns out classic recipes such as mole de olla, contributed by her mother who supported her three children singlehandedly as a cashier at a neighborhood grocery store in a low-rent area of Mexico City. Rendón's brother, with whom she shared a bedroom as a child, also helps out at the restaurant.

The cash-only BYOB joint features menu items that belie its casual profile. A cocoa nib tamal accompanies grilled octopus and peanut salsa. A starter of artichoke-leek soup could be followed by grilled secreto with hazelnut mole, coriander marshmallow, and grilled parsnips.

But the menu is ever changing and resonant with the times. For example, the Lenten season might bring back the matriarch's capirotada, a dessert made of crispy-fried bread drenched in brown

sugar caramel with raisins, cheese and a variety of nuts.

Only fun until somebody puts you out of business

Unsurprisingly, the business comes with its attendant stresses. Rendón expressed a hope that Lent might also curb the trend toward rowdy intoxication in her shop. The under-45 professional clientele that provides the base of her business can also wind up jeopardizing the operation, inducing her to enforce regulations she said she'd rather not. "If you really want to support small business, be patient with our rules, you know? It's not about me, it's about providing jobs for other families."

Lakeview East Supper Club

The Lakeview East Chamber of Commerce has announced a new members experience, the Lakeview East Supper Club, a social program which offers access to exclusive events, deals and specials at select Lakeview restaurants. The Lakeview Supper Club is scheduled to present pop-up dinners, chef tables, wine pairings, tequila tastings and more. Members and their guests will be able to choose from among a selection of restaurants each month, that included discounts and specials. Membership to the Supper Club is an annual fee of \$10. Members will receive emails about the upcoming events and to secure their place at the event. A pre-paid reservation is required. To register for membership and learn more about the experience visit www.lakeviewsupperclub.com.

While there is still no corkage fee, and mixers are always provided for hard liquor concoctions, Rendón has revised the policy to limit the amount of alcohol brought in. "We're still liable for them," she explained of customers who have threatened to leave bad reviews if she imposed restrictions.

Though admittedly not turning much profit, Rendón said she is fully gratified. "It's an awesome success. I am very proud of my team," she said. "It's not easy, especially in Chicago where there's a lot of competition. I'm very flattered but also humble about it."

Just like her shady antihero Al Capone, Rendón lives in Bridgeport and steps out in swanky garb from the 1930s and '40s. She continues to work as a mortgage banker, a skill she picked up from a boyfriend while translating for his Mexican clients and noticing the money he was making back in the early aughts.

While she said she couldn't begin to afford the vintage building that hosts her Lakeview business, Rendón's sincerest ambition is just what she states on her website, "supporting locally sustainable farmers, ranchers and purveyors."

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Chicago apartments are going to the dogs if you can afford these fees

Chicago animal lovers who are apartment hunting in the coming Spring market should be aware that the “pet process” is costly and filled with restrictions, especially if a luxury high-rise is the targeted destination.



The Home Front
By Don DeBat

At Presidential Towers, a complex of four high-rises at 555 W. Madison in the West Loop, renters are required to pay a one-time, non-refundable pet fee of \$300 to allow a dog to reside in their apartment. And, the total monthly rent is increased by \$25 to cover Fido's occupancy. Base monthly rents start at \$1,390 for a studio, \$1,640 for a 1-bedroom unit and \$2,520 for a 2-bedroom layout.

Presidential Tower's “Chicago Animal Addendum” lease rider states: “Small birds and fish are welcome at no extra charge. No reptiles or exotic pets—see management for approval.” Cats are not charged a monthly rental fee as long as they are outfitted with a litter box.

A maximum of two pets are allowed per apartment. However, 21 dog breeds—including Pit Bull Terrier, Rottweiler, German Shepard, Doberman Pinscher, Saint Bernard and Old English Sheep Dogs—are considered “restricted breeds” and not permitted at Presidential Towers because they are “deemed aggressive.”

“All dogs must be interviewed and approved by a manager prior to occupancy,” states the Animal Addendum. “A veterinary certification form must be executed by a licensed veterinarian for each dog.”

One wonders if animals also are required to sign the lease with a paw print.

Pet weigh-in?

At Eugenie Terrace on the Park, a 44-story high-rise at 1730 N. Clark in the Lincoln Park neighborhood, the “Pet Policy” calls for a dog weigh-in. Dogs must meet a 100-pound weight limit for the maximum two pets allowed per apartment.

Like Presidential Towers, breed restrictions apply at Eugenie Terrace. All the breeds mentioned above also are not permitted, along with Great Dane, Siberian Husky, Alaskan Malamute, “Wolf



Darling Fee Fee.

hybrids,” and any mixtures of these breeds.

The non-refundable pet move-in fee at Eugenie Terrace is \$500, plus \$25 monthly dog rent. Cats also must meet the 100-pound weight limit for a maximum two cats. Felines are not charged

monthly pet rent. Base rents at Eugenie Terrace start at \$1,755 for a studio, \$2,441 for 1-bedroom units and \$3,430 for 2-bedroom layouts.

Animal lovers at Presidential Towers also must agree to and heed the “Animal Rules” as tersely outlined in the lease addendum:

- The animal must not disturb the neighbors or other residents, regardless of whether the animal is inside or outside the dwelling.
- Dogs, cats and support animals must be house broken. All other animals must be caged at all times.
- Renters must not let an animal other than support animals into swimming-pool areas, laundry rooms, offices, clubrooms, other recreational facilities, or other dwelling units.
- Residents are liable for the entire amount of all damages caused by the animal, including “all cleaning, defleaing and deodorizing of carpets, doors, walls,

drapes, wallpaper, windows, screens, furniture and appliances, as well as landscaping and outside improvements.”

• Presidential Towers' management must give written authorization for a disabled person to reside with an emotional-support animal.

What about therapy animals?

Many novice property managers and “Ma and Pa” landlords may be wondering what qualifies as an emotional-support animal?

Sometimes called a comfort animal, or therapy dog, an emotional-support animal is not a pet.

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This year's St. Patrick's Day parade theme is "The Music of Ireland." The parade starts at noon but good viewing spots fill up early.

St. Patrick's Day parade, dyeing of the river

Chicago's Downtown St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held noon Saturday, March 16. The dyeing of the Chicago River is scheduled for 9 a.m.

As always, it's not hard to find some group to march with, for those so inclined. All marchers must be lined up by 11:15 a.m.

The procession travels north on Columbus Dr., beginning at Balbo Dr. and ending at Monroe Dr. Don your best green outfit —

or a kilt if you dare — and grab a good spot before the parade starts if you're not marching. The parade typically lasts about three hours.

This year's guest of honor will be Fr. Michael Caruson of St. Ignatius College Prep High School. are delighted to be the Guest of Honor at the 2019 St. Patrick's Day Parade. With great anticipation of the 150th Sesquicentennial Anniversary, this is a special

moment for St. Ignatius. Never, in the history of the Chicago St. Patrick's Day Parade has a school received the distinction of Guest of Honor. Many of the first students at St. Ignatius were the sons and grandsons of potato farmers who escaped the famine in Ireland, and came to Chicago to build lives for their families.

This year's parade theme is "The Music of Ireland." It is significant to note that St. Ignatius student, Rogers O'Neill (1904) and his father, Police Chief Francis O'Neill, were instrumental in preserving Irish traditional music in Chicago. Chief O'Neill collected and published thousands

of tunes from Ireland that nearly vanished after the potato famine of 1848.

The dyeing of the river can best be viewed from the east side of Michigan Ave., the west side of Columbus Dr., or upper and lower Wacker drives between Michigan and Columbus.

For over 40 years, the Chicago Journeymen Plumbers turn the Chicago River green for the St. Patrick's Day Parade celebration. The effort is both significant and breathtaking because the color green is identical to the greens of Ireland from where it got its name The Emerald Isle.

The tradition was born in 1961

when the late Stephen Bailey was approached by a plumber who was wearing some white coveralls, he knew this only because they could see some of the original color. These coveralls had been mostly stained or dyed a perfect shade of green, an Irish green to better describe it. Bailey then asked the plumber how the coveralls got this way and discovered that the dye the plumbers used to detect leaks into the river turned green, not just any color green, but the perfect color green. The tradition of dyeing the river green grew out of that chance encounter and has been done every year since that fateful meeting.

Dept. on Aging accepting nominations for Senior Hall of Fame Awards

The Illinois Dept. on Aging (IDoA) is accepting nominations for the 2019 Senior Illinoisans Hall of Fame Awards. These awards recognize adults, 65 years of age and older, and highlight the meaningful contributions they have made in Illinois.

Award nominations are being

accepted for the following categories:

- **Community Service:** awarded to Illinois senior citizens that have shown support for the general public and community-based programs in their area or at large.
- **Education:** awarded to Illinois senior citizens that have

shown a dedication to instruction and the world of academia.

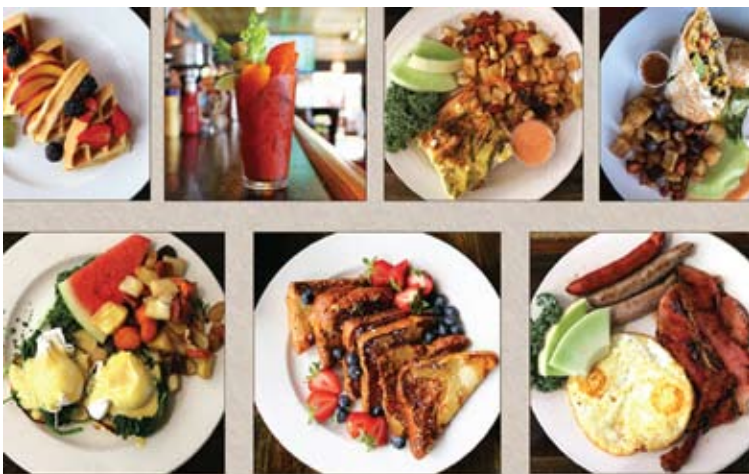
- **Labor Force:** awarded to Illinois senior citizens that have a record of accomplishment in their employment or professional career.
- **Performance/Graphic Arts:** awarded to Illinois senior citizens that have a commitment to health and the promotion of well-being or a record of accomplishment in artistic expression.

"It is a true honor to recognize older adults across the state that have made a significant impact on their community," said Jean Bohnhoff, Director of IDoA. "I encourage everyone to nominate someone who should be recognized for their notable service."

The Senior Illinoisans Hall of Fame was created by the Illinois General Assembly in 1994 to honor Illinois residents ages 65 and older for their personal achievements in four separate categories. Since then, 117 people have been inducted into the Hall of Fame.

The deadline for nominations is Friday, May 31. Eligibility is based on the nominee's past and present accomplishments. The candidate must be a current Illinois citizen, or a former Illinois citizen for the majority of their life. Posthumous nominees will also be considered. Nomination forms are available by calling the Senior HelpLine at 800-252-8966 or by visiting our website www.illinois.gov/aging.

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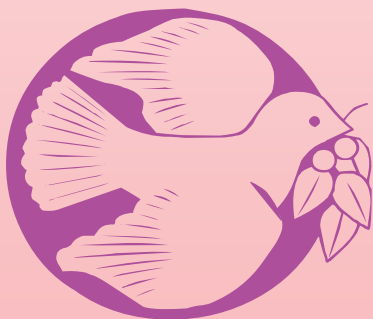
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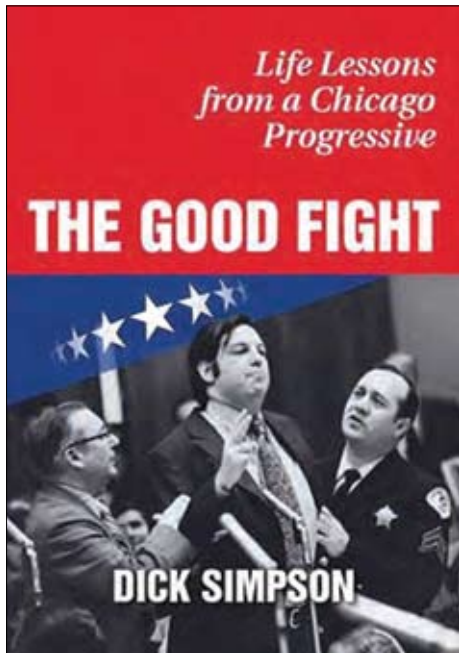
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Dick Simpson continues 'The Good Fight' in latest political book



The Good Fight is Dick Simpson's latest book.

BY WILLIAM S. BIKE

Since the 1960s North Sider Dick Simpson has been a professor of political science at the Univ. of Illinois at Chicago, but he's also a "dean"—the dean of political commentary in Chicago. When the media wants a cogent comment about what is happening in current politics, Simpson is often the person to whom they turn.

He has written many books on politics including Inside Urban Politics, Lessons from a Chicago Progressive, Winning Elections in the 21st Century, and others.

Unlike many of the talking heads on radio and TV who pontificate about politics but who have never been in the trenches, Simpson has not only achieved elective office as a Chicago alderman, but was re-elected as well. In both of those races, he was strongly opposed by the powerful Mayor Richard J. Daley and his Cook County Democratic machine, but won anyway. Simpson's latest book, The Good Fight, is not only another entry in his collection of books that offer political advice, but it is unique in that it is a memoir as well, detailing how politics has affected his personal life, including the negative impact on his marriages.

"Writing a memoir is entirely different from any books I have written before, and the biggest challenge was finding an appropriate style," said Simpson. "I drew on my experiences writing op-eds for newspapers for over a decade. Those are 550 to 750 words, begin with a grabber sentence, and end with a conclusion or zinger."

"My memoir vignettes are about 1,500 words but preceded by 250 words of factual background for the reader so as not to interrupt the story and are summed up in slogans like 'politics ain't beanbag,'" he said.

Simpson grew up in Texas. He and his fellow liberals (yes, there were Texas liberals back then) cut their political teeth there on the fight to integrate movie theatres, restaurants, universities, and plays, which still were segregated as late as the early 1960s.

Simpson learned an important lesson: you cannot change politics from the top down starting with the presidency; you have to do it from the bottom up—in precincts, neighborhoods, wards, and communities.

After graduating from the Univ. of Texas, he moved on to Indiana Univ. for graduate studies in politics and African studies and met Mary Scott, who would become his first wife.

The two moved to Africa to study its local political structures for his doctoral dissertation, and the result was that he learned a political system that was surprisingly similar to Chicago's—chieftains who controlled local politics by dispensing favors, much like Chicago aldermen and mayors.

Once he earned his doctorate, he searched for a teaching job, and found one at the Univ. of Illinois at Chicago—a city he had rarely even visited before. He would end

up being a Chicago icon.

The book goes on to describe his work on the 1968 presidential campaign of Sen. Eugene McCarthy. McCarthy did not win, but his campaign sunk the chances of incumbent President Lyndon B. Johnson for re-election. Simpson learned an important lesson: you cannot change politics from the top down starting with the presidency; you have to do it from the bottom up—in precincts, neighborhoods, wards, and communities. Simpson has been a community activist both in and out of office ever since.

He worked on creating independent political organizations that both fought the entrenched powers that be and gave people more of a voice in their communities. He was elected to the City Council twice, where he was one of the few "Lakefront liberal" aldermen who was such a thorn in the first Mayor Daley's side that Daley would sometimes cut off Simpson's microphone in the council chambers.

The book shows how Simpson and his colleagues could effect change despite the opposition of the entrenched powers. Reforms such as equal pay for female and male City janitors, cutting unnecessary patronage employees, and providing freedom of information did not pass when Simpson and his colleagues first introduced them, but they introduced them into the public

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Does Democrat Party have hiring 'black list'?

Former staffer for Madigan says she's been black-balled

BY JIM VAIL

The ongoing saga of the allegation that Illinois House Speaker Mike Madigan did little to nothing about sexual harassment complaints took another twist after former political aide Alaina Hampton claimed that she was blacklisted from working on several campaigns after she spoke out about getting harassed by a top Madigan aide.

Hampton filed a lawsuit last week that details the accusations.

Several Madigan employees resigned or were fired for sexual harassment, intimidation or bullying over the past year, while the powerful speaker has so far not been touched.

The #MeToo has hit state politics here, but hasn't snared any top dogs, so far.

Hampton is a Democrat campaign worker who accused Madigan of not addressing unwanted text messages from his aide Kevin Quinn. Quinn, the brother of Ald. Marty Quinn, was fired as the allegations

went public and a lawsuit was filed, although he denies wrongdoing.

A former Madigan chief of staff left the speaker last year after a house clerk accused him of making inappropriate comments, joking about sexual harassment training and dismissing a complaint of sex harassment, WBEZ reported.

The new allegations in Hampton's lawsuit reveal retaliation for her allegations against Madigan, including not being able to get a job in politics after she raised her complaint in Feb. 2017.

She claimed she had talks with the Chicago Teachers Union (CTU) about working on a campaign for state rep, and thought CTU would offer her the position. However, a week later Hampton was asked by a CTU lobbyist if she was "on the outs" with Ald. Marty Quinn, and then she didn't hear back from the CTU after that conversation, the lawsuit states.

(Full disclosure: this reporter is a CTU member).

"We're frankly baffled we'd even be mentioned here," CTU spokeswoman Chris Geovanis told WBEZ. "We take or-

ders for any hiring decisions from no one. We are quite capable of making our own hiring decisions."

Geovanis also said Hampton worked for an opposing campaign in that race.

Hampton was also rejected to work on a campaign for State Rep Kristen Crowell. Hampton said she didn't get the job because she learned the candidate "had been told not to work" with Hampton.

She also claims in her lawsuit that she wanted to do campaign work with aldermen Deb Mell [33rd], Scott Waguespack [32nd], and John Arena [45th], and 46th Ward challenger Erika Wozniak.

Wozniak told this newspaper that what was earlier reported was wrong, and pointed to the WBEZ report in which her spokesperson, with whom she and some of the aldermen share with Hampton, denied the accusation of being told by Madigan's

people to not hire her.

"As set forth in documents attached to a recent court filing, and as, in fact, is the case, Alaina Hampton's non-employment by the campaigns of Ald. Waguespack, Ald. Arena and Ms. Wozniak was unrelated to the events described in her lawsuit against Michael Madigan and others."

Sexual harassment lawsuits are very tricky for women in the corporate world. One female executive told me if you file one you should go for a lot of money because you will be placed on a blacklist as the corporate community is tight and doesn't want "trouble makers."

In addition to firing several workers in regards to sexual harassment, Madigan also hired women for top jobs in his political and government operations.

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Iconic artist honored at second annual MCA luncheon event

The Women's Board of the Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago is honoring feminist artist Judy Chicago as the featured guest for their second annual MCA Women's Board Luncheon at the Standard Club, 320 S. Plymouth Ct., noon Tuesday, April 30.

Dedicated to honoring women artists around the world, the luncheon brings together some of Chicago's leaders in support of arts education and public outreach programs that inspire local youth to find their civic voices. Guests enjoy a curated program featuring a conversation between MCA Chief Curator Michael Darling and Chicago, discussing her work as an artist and activist.

Chicago is an artist, feminist, educator

and author whose career spans over 50 years. A pioneer of feminist art and education since the 1970s, Chicago is best known for her work *The Dinner Party* (1974-76), a multimedia project that has been exhibited in six countries and reviewed in countless publications. An author of numerous books, Chicago's work has been translated into numerous foreign editions, bringing her art and philosophy to readers worldwide.

Judy Chicago founded the Fresno Feminist Art Program at California State Univ. in the early 1970s before turning her attention to the subject of women's history for her celebrated work, *The Dinner Party*. Chicago's most recent body of work, *The End: A Meditation on Death and Extinction*, debuts

at the National Museum of Women in the Arts in Washington DC in the fall of 2019 to coincide with the publication of a major monograph by Scala. Chicago's work is included in the collections of the British Museum, Moderna Museet, Metropolitan Museum of Art, National Gallery, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Museum of Contemporary Art Los Angeles, Getty Trust and Getty Research Institute, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, Tate Modern, Art Institute of Chicago, and over 25 university art mu-



Artist Judy Chicago.

seums.

Having observed an absence of iconography about the subject of birth in Western art, Chicago created *Birth Project* (1980-85), a series of birth and creation images executed by 150 skilled needle workers around the country. Her inquiry into issues of power and powerlessness led to projects such as *PowerPlay*, which examined the gender construct of masculinity, in addition to *The Holocaust Project: From Darkness Into Light*.

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Ireland's first official gay head of government. He is popular and represents a new image of Ireland on the European scene. His partner, **Dr. Matthew Barrett**, also a physician, spent Summer 2017 in residence here at Northwestern Hospital.

THEATER ON THE LAKE: St. Patrick's Day On The Lake! **John Wrenn** invites all our readers to join again this year in celebrating St. Patrick's Day with music, food, drinks and dancing. Free admission, so plan on connecting with friends and family here in a completely renovated venue. Irish Music and Dance. Beginning 12 noon. Slainte! 2401 N. Lake Shore Dr. (Fullerton and the Lake). 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

TWINKLE, TINKLE LIL' STAR: Just asking. Is the **Toni Preckwinkle** campaign showing some nervous knees, pulling out of the Sun-Times debate, shocked at the mounting popularity of Lori Lightfoot? And is **Ald. Scott Waguespack** [32nd] practicing his arithmetic for promotion to the Committee on Finance?

BIENVENUE: Restaurant Le Colonial opened on March 1 at a new address in the heart of the Gold Coast, above the new Van Cleef store, at 57 E. Oak St. More beautiful than ever. Best wishes to **Joe King** and team. **Sherry Lea Fox** and **Frances Renk** were front and center for the opening. So chic.

GOODMAN THEATER: In her stunning play 'SWEAT,' playwright **Lynn Nottage** goes where few playwrights have dared to go—into the heart of working-class America.

YES SIR, SENATOR: Gage restaurateur **Billy Lawless, Sr.**, every Chicagoan's favorite Irishman, is a man in high places. Billy is a member of the Irish Senate, Senator for the Diaspora. He's a senator representing the Irish



St. Patrick's Day Parade Queen Madeline Mitchell and her court.

outside of Ireland, making him a valued confident and advisor to statesmen on both side of the Atlantic.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS: Sympathies to Maestro **Stanley Paul** on the death of his dear niece, **Joanie Leggitino**, daughter of his beloved late sister, **Raelene Mittelman**.



Carrie Lannon at Mustard Museum.

MUSTARD MUSEUM: Cultural watchdog **Carrie Lannon** recently visited the National Mustard Museum, in Middleton WI, just outside Madison, where everyone's walking around smiling at mustard memorabilia and the 5,624 mustards displayed

from 60 countries. The Museum includes a gift shop and online mail-order business. Free admission.

TAKE THE FIFTH: Have federal investigators uncovered a new songbird who's only too happy to give them a guided tour of their City Hall? Should make the upcoming mayoral race colorful.

MISTER KELLY'S: **Denise Tomasello**, "Queen of Cabaret," will sing the hits of Mr. Kelly's stars, **Barbra Streisand**, **Ella Fitzgerald**, and **Bette Midler**. Acclaimed pianist **Bob Mamet** will swing with tunes from London House legends, **Oscar Peterson**, and **Ramsey Lewis**. Mister Kelly's, a legendary venue of the past, comes alive at its original Rush St. location, now the famous Gibson's Bar & Steakhouse. Sunday, March 24 at 5:30 p.m.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS: **Zurich Esposito** says everyone had a blast at the first-ever AIA Chicago LGBTQI+ celebration. Much of it was owed to great sponsors and to a generous host, **Jeanne Gang** and Studio Gang.

WHO'S WHERE? **D Graham Kostic** is in Jordan, at the ancient temple ruins of Petra, City of Mysteries ... politico **Brian Bernadini** at Mt. Ada Hotel Resort in Avalon, CA... **Danny Lawlor** and **Emily Taus** in mountainous Jerome, AZ... **Julia Jacobs** at the Four Seasons in Scottsdale, AZ... artist **Adam Scott Umbach** from East Hampton, NY in Chi-town for his birthday and making the rounds of artists, galleries and favorite restaurants... publisher **Maggie Malone** and attorney **Fionna McEntee** with famed film director **Jim Sheridan** at the Chicago Irish Film

Festival... **Mark Olley** and **Paul R. Iacono** attending the Bear Tie Ball at Bear Necessities Pediatric Cancer Foundation. Also in attendance were **Scott** and **Dame Charlene Seaman** and **Vonita Reescer** lookin' fab... Chicago Cubs Spring training facility Riverview Park in Mesa, AZ... **Carrie Lannon** at an exhibition of work by British-Nigerian artist **Yinka Shonibare**. His opulent art is right at home in the deluxe setting of the Driehaus Museum through Sept. 29.

WHO'S WATCHING THE BELTWAY? Yes, that was **Bruce du Mont** dining at Ruth's Chris not watching his beltway. Not watching D.C either in the waning days is **Mayor Rahm Emanuel**, who stopped by Jade Court on Racine for the best Chinese food in town from **Carole Cheung** and Papa, **Eddy Cheung**.



Carol Cheung, Mayor Rahm Emanuel and Eddy Cheung at Jade Court.

THIS MAY HURT: This just in from former NBC newsie **Mary Laney**: "My son, **Tom McComas**, is doing exciting things making movies in Hollywood. His stunts and action directing are awesome. But there's one glitch, Oscars should include category for best stunts, after all — they make movies exciting. They do it for hairdressers and fashion consultants and costumers. But nothing for the guy that risks bodily harm. Time for a change!"

LYRIC LIVE: The **Renée Fleming** 25th Anniversary Concert, 7 p.m. March 23, promises to be an evening of high art and celebration honoring Fleming's 25 years of dedication to Chicago's Lyric Opera. She will be joined onstage by a cast of friends in this splendid one-night-only event.

FARM TO TABLE: Farmhouse/Farmbar partner **TJ Callaghan** has been elected the new Treasurer of the Illinois Restaurant Assoc. and is delighting wife, **Molly McComb**, as well as restaurateurs **Clodagh Lawless Murphy**, **Grant DePorter** and his legion of friends.

OVER EASY: **Mark Olley** and **Jim Ellsworth**, men in the know, say Over Easy Cafe, 4943 N. Damen, is the place for weekend breakfasts.

ART INSTITUTE: A focused exhibition, two rarely loaned works from Pasadena's Norton Simon Museum, join the Art Institute's own iconic paintings by **Rembrandt van Rijn**.

CHANGES: **Margaret Hayes**, President and CEO of Fashion Group International has died at 79... **Andre Previn**, international citizen of the world of music, conductor, composer, pianist and star died at 89... actress **Katherine Heldman** has died at 79, remember her from "Soap" in the 1970s? The distinguished Pritzker-winning modernist architect, Dublin-born **Kevin Roche**, died at 96 after a career designing such wonders as Chicago's Leo Burnett Building, the Ford Foundation Building in New York, as well as the Islamic Wing of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Following the 1961 death of architect **Eero Saarinen**, Roche completed the JFK Terminal in NY, Dulles Airport near Washington DC, the St. Louis Arch and John Deere Headquarters in Moline, IL.

THE OSCAR GOES TO: Chicago's **Irene Michaels** stepped into the glittering spotlight of Hollywood for the Oscars and the glamorous Vanity Fair party afterwards, managing to snag snaps with **Oprah** and **Elton John** amidst the celebrations. Irene and her husband, 11-time Grammy winner **Arnt Granat**, were featured in the winter edition of "Resident Magazine New York," charting their careers, achievements and success. Fabulous photos, too.

KIND OF A DRAG: Legendary drag club, The Baton, opening in Uptown, 4713 N. Broadway, this week. After decades in River North: 'It's a new chapter.'

AMERICA'S BEAUTY SHOW: Simply put, it's hundreds of thousands of square feet of wall-to-wall beauty products, where salon professionals go to find out what's new... what's hot. America's Beauty Show (ABS), will be held at McCormick Place (North) March 30 - April 1.

One of the keys to happiness is a bad memory.

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Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain returns

BY PETER VON BUOL

The Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain [UOGB], which more than 30 years ago helped spark a worldwide revival of the ukulele, is returning to Chicago March 20 to perform at 8 p.m. at the Chicago Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.

Performing on stage as an eight-member musical group in evening attire, the group has a simple philosophy: "All genres of music are available for reinterpretation, as long as they are played on the ukulele."

The group's selections include expertly played covers of well-known songs, from Bach to Lady Gaga, and anything in between.

"In our show, we may throw in some light classical favorites among the punk classics. Ancient TV themes which were staples of UK entertainment are another rich vein for us to mine. Bewitched, I Love Lucy, My Favorite Martian, The Beverly Hillbillies were all well known in the UK and are part of our shared culture. And of course, we have played quite a few classic U.S. rock songs over the years, including "Dust My Broom" by [Old Town School of Folk Music co-founder] Elmore James," said George Hinchliffe, who co-founded the group in 1985 with the late Kitty Lux.

"We saw it as a sort of 'outsider' instrument, not quite respectable, but capable of playing all the notes and all the kinds of music. Most bands seemed to consist of guitars and drums, or synths, and we thought we should try something different. It seemed important to have only ukuleles. We regarded the instrument as a sort of 'pocket calculator' of mu-



The Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain.

Photo by Allison Burke

sic; small, personal, yet sophisticated," Hinchliffe said.

Early on, outside of its use in Hawaiian music, the ukulele was not considered a serious instrument. Many still associated it with Tiny Tim, an eccentric novelty performer who achieved notoriety in the 1960s. When the UOGB first performed in Chicago in 1987, reviewers did not seem to know how to categorize its music.

"The reviews revealed our ukulele shopping-trolley-dash through rock, classical and left-field music seemed unusual," Hinchliffe said.

Since its founding, the UOGB has maintained a busy touring schedule. Its mix of music and humor has been embraced by audiences around the world.

Interestingly, by 1993, the instrument regained mainstream respectability after a medley of

"Somewhere Over the Rainbow/What a Wonderful World" performed by Hawaiian music legend Israel Kamakawiwo'ole was used in numerous television show soundtracks. Shortly afterwards, rockers such as Eddie Vedder of Pearl Jam and Jack Johnson were using the instrument in their concert performances.

"Some blame us for the ukulele renaissance, whereas others say we should take no credit for it. Certainly, though we did not seek to be neologists, we have been unable to find any references to an "ukulele orchestra" prior to our use of the name. All those years ago, it seemed like an oxymoron, an impossibility, like "the Sahara Desert Sub-Aqua Club" but now, it seems like a normal name for a bunch of ukulele players having fun together for 34 years. If we paved the way for people to take their own musical journey,

or to have fun making music in a group, or to listen to each other and work together (which is what music requires), then we will all have done something worthwhile," Hinchliffe said.

Despite having a reputation for putting on a fun show, Hinchliffe said his orchestra remains serious about their music.

"We have always been serious about the music and consider that it needs to be brought before the public convincingly. The jazz has to swing, and the rock has to roll. We thought that the sound of the ukulele could become repetitive and so we tried to introduce as many variables as possible, except for the line of instruments. We changed keys, tempi, genres, styles of playing, orchestrations between the instruments, voices and volume. And we added some whistling," Hinchliffe said.

While humor may seem to be a natural part of their performances, it was a mix-up in sheet music that caused the orchestra's trademark stage banter to emerge.

"At the very first gig, we had sheet music in various forms. It seems that some of the chord sheets became mixed up and we ended up with a polytonal version of a Dolly Parton song in three keys at once. While we sorted out the paperwork, we spoke to the audience with deprecating humor. This was the start of the humor and the talking to the audience between pieces of music. We had to improvise, and the humor seemed to emerge. That set the template for the style of the orchestra's presentations," Hinchliffe said.

Show tickets range in price from \$9 to \$80.

City Colleges consider tuition hike

City Colleges of Chicago, which has a taxpayer-funded annual budget of more than \$523 million, is considering a two percent annual tuition increase over the next four years despite tumbling enrollment and questions surrounding its graduation numbers.

Tuition at the seven-school community college already has gone up nine percent over the last four years, climbing from \$4,970 in the 2014-15 academic year to \$5,406 in 2017-18. All the while, enrollment has plummeted 32% since 2010, and some critics claim the community college has been inflating graduation numbers.

Of the 47,454 students who enrolled at City Colleges of Chicago as freshmen in 2014-2015, the U.S. Dept. of Education said only seven percent graduated within two years.

That equates to an annual taxpayer subsidy of \$319,476 per graduate, according to an analysis of data from the Illinois State Comptroller Warehouse.

Hospital gets \$950K grant to support survivors of trafficking, sexual assault

Illinois legislator pushes for rape kit electronic tracking system to end backlog

BY ALEXANDRA YETTER
Columbia Chronicle

The U.S. Dept. of Justice recently awarded Swedish Covenant Hospital, 5140 N. California Ave., a \$950,000 two-year grant to support its health care services for survivors of domestic violence, human trafficking and sexual assault.

The Lincoln Square area hospital was one of just eight organizations nationwide to receive the grant.

The grant will allow the hospital to continue supporting survivors via the training of about 1,000 clinicians in trauma-informed medical, dental and mental health care for survivors of these types of violence. It will also allow the hospital the ability to expand an on-call pool of sexual assault nurse examiners and specially trained registered

nurses to provide comprehensive care to sexual assault victims, as well as equipment to strengthen evidence collection techniques.

The hospital plans to partner with local organizations to help them connect survivors with support services before they leave the hospital and to assist with their physical, emotional and financial recovery. Those partners include Apna Ghar, Between Friends, KAN-WIN, Salvation Army STOP-IT, Lutheran Social Services of Illinois, Chicago Metropolitan Battered Women's Network, Resilience and the Lincoln (20th) Police District.

Meanwhile the Illinois House representatives are now working to pass a bill to establish an electronic rape kit tracking system to tackle a processing backlog, but Sexual Assault Evidence Tracking and Reporting commission members say there is still more to be done.

"Murder [kits] always go first, so if you're the victim of sexual assault who was not also murdered, you have to wait," said Rep. Margo McDermed. "Victims want

to make sure their kits are not lost in the system. Justice delayed can be justice denied. You don't want to wait two to three years."

In Aug. 2017, former Gov. Bruce Rauner signed a state bill to create the Sexual Assault Evidence Tracking and Reporting Commission with the goal of creating an electronic tracking system for rape kits.

In January, McDermed, chair of Rauner's commission, proposed House Bill 1440 that would institute the commission's recommended electronic kit tracking system. The bill is expected to be passed by May 31 and in effect by Jan. 1, 2020, McDermed said. The bill includes no funding because it is not expected to be expensive and will be funded from existing revenue sources. Its anticipated cost is a couple hundred thousand dollars at most, she said.

The bill does not include a mandated turnaround time limit for the kits.

Ideally, physical evidence from a sexual assault is compiled in

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Seven years for parolee who attacked cops inside youth shelter

A 25-year-old man has been sentenced to seven years in prison for battering a police officer who responded to a call of a man with a gun inside The Crib youth shelter, 835 W. Addison St., two years ago.

Darrien Lampkin was on parole for robbery and aggravated battery of a peace officer when he took up residence at The Crib on Feb. 7, 2017.

Shortly after 10 p.m. that night, a Crib volunteer called 911 to report that a man had a gun inside the shelter, which operates out of the basement of Lakeview Lutheran Church. The volunteer told police that she saw Lampkin waving a black object that she believed was a gun while he shouted: "I want my sh*t or I'm gonna hurt you m*ther f*ck*rs."

When police arrived, Lampkin attacked a sergeant and punched another officer in the temple, prosecutors said. Lampkin then grabbed a gun from his waistband and threw it to the floor, police said.

A third officer pepper-sprayed Lampkin and took Lampkin to the ground using an emergency maneuver. Lampkin was arrested and police discovered that the gun was a non-functioning replica.

Lampkin reached a plea deal with prosecutors in which he pleaded guilty to one count of aggravated battery of a police officer. In exchange, prosecutors recommended a seven-year sentence and agreed to drop two additional felony counts of aggravated battery of a police officer and resisting arrest. With 741 days credit for time served awaiting trial, Lampkin is scheduled to be paroled on Aug. 6, 2020.

At the time of The Crib incident, Lampkin was on parole for beating and robbing a man about a block from the shelter and then battering a police officer who tried to stop him nearby on Aug. 17, 2013.

Lampkin was handed two five-year sentences to be served concurrently and was paroled after serving just 2-1/2 years on Sept. 16, 2016.

Boy calls for help after dad's shot in Loop apartment

A child called 911 after his father was shot in self-defense by a woman in their Loop high-rise apartment on Sunday morning, according to Chicago police.

The boy, whose age is not known, called 911 at 10:53 a.m. and reported that his father had been shot. Minutes later, the boy called 911 again and told a dispatcher that he was pulling a prank, then he hung up.

Police continued to the scene and soon discovered the boy's father shot in the leg on the 26th floor of an apartment building in the 1000 block of S. Clark St. Also on the scene was a 29-year-old woman who told police that she shot the man in self-defense after he attacked her during an argument.

The father, whose age was not released, was transported to Northwestern Memorial Hospital in serious condition. The woman was transported to Stroger Hospital to be treated for a broken hand, bruises and lacerations.

Police said the incident appears to be domestic in nature, but authorities did not specify what kind of relationship the two adults have.

The man remains in police custody.

Shooting threat found on wall at Lakeview High School

Increased police presence is expected at Lakeview High School this week after a threatening message was found written on a bathroom wall at the school, 4015 N. Ashland, over the weekend.

The school's assistant principal summoned police around 10:30 a.m. March 9 after finding the threat, which included Monday's date, "3/11/2019," according to a police report.

In a letter to the school community, CPS said, "we take all threats very seriously and we immediately contacted Chicago Police Det. and CPS Office of Safety and Security and an investigation is underway."

Heightened security measures that will be in place include the scanning of all students through metal detectors upon arrival; x-ray review of bags and personal items; and increased police and CPS security before, during, and after the school day, the letter said.

A similar threat was found written on a bathroom stall at Lincoln Park High School in December.

Prosecutors say Michigan man forced woman from club, sexually assaulted her

A Michigan man has been extradited to Chicago to face allegations that he sexually assaulted a woman after forcing her out of Berlin nightclub in January.

The 23-year-old victim told police that she saw Sahir Arbo, 29, looking at her while she was with friends at Big City Tap, 1010 W. Belmont. The group



Sahir Arbo

then went to Berlin, 945 W. Belmont, to continue their evening.

At some point, Arbo grabbed the woman's arm and forced her out of the bar and into a car where a group of men was waiting, according to prosecutors.

The woman texted her friends because she thought the men were going to rape her, prosecutors said. The friends then called the woman's phone and spoke with Arbo who said he would take her home.

Instead, the woman was taken to a hotel and sexually assaulted by Arbo, according to prosecutors. Arbo and the other men then drove the woman to her dorm at Columbia College where the crime was reported, according to court records.

An arrest warrant was issued for Arbo after DNA testing of evidence collected from the victim identified him as the man who had sex with her during the alleged assault, prosecutors said.

Arbo has been charged with aggravated criminal sexual assault. Judge Michael Clancy ordered him held in lieu of \$100,000 bail. Arbo's attorney said the victim went with Arbo voluntarily and had consensual sex.

On bail for gun charge, man now accused of possessing stolen car

A West Ridge man who is awaiting trial for allegedly carrying a handgun near the scene of an Uptown "shots fired" incident last Summer is now charged with possessing a stolen motor vehicle in Edgewater.

Police said a patrol unit randomly checked the license plate of a Ford Fusion as it traveled in the 5700 block of N. Sheridan around 2:30 p.m. March 4. The car was listed as stolen by the police database, so officers pulled the vehicle over and spoke with the driver, Justin Spraggins, 23.



Photos by Michael Gunderson

Lincoln Park SWAT stand-off, three detained, guns seized, stolen cars found

Chicago police recovered two assault rifles and seven handguns along with ammunition following a six-hour SWAT standoff in Lincoln Park on Sunday afternoon, according to police. The guns have been turned over to the crime lab for testing.

Three persons were taken into custody, including one man who was wanted for questioning—but not for arrest—in connection with a homicide, police said. No charges have yet been filed.

CPD would not immediately confirm information from a police source that the two assault rifles were AK-47 models found after a six-hour-long SWAT standoff at an Airbnb rental party in the Lincoln Park. The standoff ended safely, according to police and a witness who spoke with this newspaper. Three people are in custody for questioning, police said. A stolen vehicles was also recovered from the scene.

Police responded to a six-unit home in the 2400 block of N. Clybourn at 8:09 a.m. after two women reported that they had locked themselves in a bathroom because

the patrolman tried to get out to address the issue, according to the allegations.

After the officer managed to get out of the patrol car, Smith ran into a nearby 7-Eleven store where he flailed his arms and pushed the officer's head down with his hands and arms as he tried to escape, police said.



Justice Smith

Back-up officers arrived and took Smith into custody, but not before he damaged \$157 worth of the store's merchandise, according to charges. The original officer reported suffering a cut to the side of his face and behind his ear.

Prosecutors charged Smith with felony aggravated battery of a police officer and misdemeanor charges of reckless conduct, criminal damage to property, assault, and resisting police. Judge Michael Clancy released him on a recognizance bond.

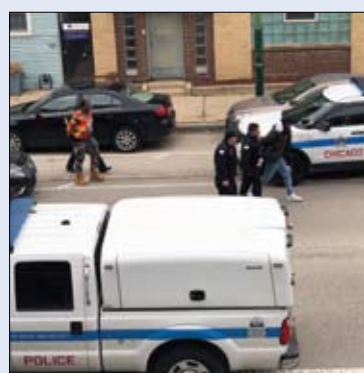
Arson charges filed after lit torch is left burning apartment door

A Boystown man is in custody, charged with intentionally leaving an ignited blowtorch lying against an occupied apartment's door early on March 4. One police officer suffered minor injuries from smoke inhalation in the incident, a CPD spokesperson said.

Jeremy Cole, 32, of the 600 block of W. Aldine is charged with felony aggravated arson with the knowledge that a person was present; felony violation of an order of protection; misdemeanor harassment-threat to person; and misdemeanor violation of an order of protection.

Police and fire personnel were called to an apartment building in the 500 block of W. Melrose at 12:42 a.m. Monday after a 39-year-old man and 21-year-old woman reported that a known acquaintance was trying to burn their apartment door down with a blow torch. The woman is Cole's ex-boyfriend and the other victim is her current boyfriend, according to police. The male victim told police that he had recently received a message from the offender stating that the offender had obtained a "flame thrower," police said.

When officers arrived on the apart-



ment building's third floor, they found the blow torch propped against the door with an open flame burning. The suspect was no longer on the scene. Cole is currently on two separate probations:

On July 10, 2018, a man identified as Cole's then-boyfriend told police that Cole grabbed him by the shirt and pulled him backward at the Wrigleyville Taco Bell, 1111 W. Addison. Cole, who was listed as "homeless" at the time, was arrested and charged with domestic battery.

Police reported finding "three glass pipes commonly used for smoking narcotics" in Cole's bookbag along with a plastic container that was used to cut narcotics and a syringe containing an unknown liquid, according to court records.

During a second search, Cole yelled that he was HIV positive and began swinging his arms and trying to bite two police officers, according to a supplemental arrest report.

He was charged with domestic battery, possessing drug paraphernalia, and two counts of aggravated assault of a police officer. He pleaded guilty to one of the assault charges and was sentenced to one year of probation by Judge Anthony Calabrese on July 23, 2018.

Then, on Dec. 12, Cole was arrested after he allegedly threatened his live-in boyfriend with a knife in their Boystown home. He pleaded guilty to one count of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and was given 18-months probation by Judge Diana Kenworthy.

Cole has been ordered held without bail.

Cops issue warning after eight robberies reported near Mag Mile

A robbery and theft crew is approaching victims from behind to steal purses and phones near the Magnificent Mile, according to a community alert from Chicago police. The team struck multiple times from March 1 to 9 and used a gun to threaten one of their victims,

Rogers Park gay bar slammed as “racist,” “transphobic” after brawl — now accusers’ details questioned

BY CWBCHICAGO.COM

A social media dust-up has a Rogers Park gay bar playing defense over an apparent fight between customers early on March 3.

Jackhammer, 6406 N. Clark St., had to fend off online complaints that their staff and patrons were anti-trans and racist during the incident while other patrons have rushed to the club’s defense saying that people who acted violently needed to be removed regardless of their gender identities or any other factors.

This newspaper reached out to three individuals, including one of the DJ’s who was working at the club on Sunday night to learn what they saw that led them to believe that individuals were unfairly treated by the club due to



Chicago police were called to Jackhammer at 4:24 a.m. March 3 for a report of several people fighting in front of the bar.

gender identities, race, or other factors. None offered any details.

Here is what we were able to learn:

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fighting in front of the bar.

Teri Yaki, a Chicago drag performer, captured video showing patrons leaving the bar and then fighting on the sidewalk. Police

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Sex offender making business moves while on the run

BY CWBCHICAGO.COM

Joseph A. Kopacz, the 54-year-old home improvement contractor and serial sex offender who fled a Chicago courthouse just as a jury prepared to convict him of fresh home invasion and sexual assault charges in November, has been a very busy man.

This week we learned that Kopacz has been evading authorities in two states; is now charged with federal flight to avoid prosecution, and has rolled some of his assets into a Delaware corporation. Now, that corporation is assigning ownership of assets and is attempting to find tenants for Kopacz’s old rental property in Logan Square.

Yet, somehow, authorities have not been able to find him.

Kopacz left a trail of male sexual abuse victims across Wisconsin before he was convicted of entering a Lakeview apartment in 2016 to sexually assault and take photos of a sleeping 23-year-old man.

Despite the serious allegations, Uptown resident Mark Graham posted a \$50,000 deposit bond that allowed Kopacz to leave jail while awaiting the outcome of the case. But, as the jury went into deliberations, Kopacz slipped out of the Cook County criminal courthouse at 26th and California. He hasn’t been seen since. And Graham was made personally responsible for paying the rest of Kopacz’s \$450,000 bail.

This week we learned that Kopacz may have been planning his escape from justice since his trial began last autumn.

Delaware state records show an entity named “Kopy Holdings, LLC” was created on Oct. 31 last year—about a week before Kopacz went on the run.

On Jan. 11, Kopacz made a couple of real estate maneuvers, according to county records.

First, he transferred ownership of his Uptown condo on the 4000

block of N. Clarendon from his name to “Kopy Holdings LLC Series A.” And, he assigned power of attorney for the property to Graham. The value of the condo in 2013 was \$251,900, records show.

That same day, Kopacz transferred ownership of a home in the 2600 block of W. Homer from his name to “Kopy Holdings LLC Series B.” The address of record for Kopy Holdings LLC Series B is a wood flooring store in San Jose, CA, owned by Paul Kopacz.

As recently as Tuesday, a listing by “Paul Kopacz” was seeking renters for “Joe’s Apartment” in the W. Homer building. That ad has been removed. However, you may now rent the exact same apartment from “Kopy Holdings” on two other rental sites: HotPads and RadPad.

Meanwhile, Joseph Kopacz’s Chicago-based home improvement company, JAK Built, is getting mixed reviews lately—including one from a man who claims that “Joe [stole] money

from the business and was not reachable.”

Also this week, we learned that federal charges of flight to avoid prosecution were filed against Joseph Kopacz under seal in Chicago on Dec. 6, about a month after he slipped out of court.

An FBI agent told the court that Graham—the man who posted Kopacz’s bond—heard Kopacz had escaped to Palm Springs, CA, according to recently-unsealed paperwork. FBI agents went to Palm Springs and spoke with a bartender who identified Joseph Kopacz and confirmed that he had been staying in a local hotel. But Kopacz was gone.

There’s no word on where Joseph Kopacz is now and the FBI is offering a reward of up to \$5,000 for information leading directly to Kopacz’s arrest. Anyone with information regarding his whereabouts may contact the FBI’s field office in Los Angeles at 310-477-6565 or Chicago at 312-421-6700.

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Public invited to Trumbull School tour March 16

The Edgewater Historical Assoc. [EHS] is hosting an annual meeting and free open house tour of the old Trumbull school titled “Developers: Friends or Foes of Preservation?”

The tour will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, March 16 (Open at 9 a.m. for tours and photo exhibit), at the Chicago Waldorf School, 5200 N. Ashland Ave.

EHS promises a provocative

presentation and discussion with Bonnie McDonald, Edgewater resident and President of Landmarks Illinois; she will weigh in on scores of pending and actual developments affecting the Northside and Edgewater. McDonald was helpful in Edgewater’s efforts to save and presently landmark Trumbull School, now occupied by Chicago Waldorf School.

Annex at Skinner West opens with 22 classrooms, computer lab

The ribbon was cut March 3 on the new 36,000-square-foot annex at Skinner West Elementary School, 120 W. Adams St. The four-story annex has 22 classrooms, including an art room, a computer room, and a science lab, as well as a multi-purpose room that can accommodate up to

120 students for lunch.

The annex was built to accommodate overcrowding relief at the school. The addition also includes a new elevator and a chiller, as well as renovations to the existing building and landscape. The annex was constructed by the Public Building Commission.

ShawChicago to cease operations June 30

The Board of Directors of ShawChicago Theater Co. has decided to close on June 30, at the conclusion of its 25th season.

Multiple factors related to the company’s revenue and overall resources made this decision unavoidable. The company has faced a general downturn in ticket sales, subscriptions, and individual contributions over the past few years. Productions were staged at the Ruth Page Theater, 1016 N. Dearborn St.

In a released statement they said that the Oct. 2018 death of 24-year Artistic Director Robert Scogin and the retirement of their longtime managing director

in June, 2018, “have created additional challenges that could not be fully addressed with the limited resources of our small nonprofit.”

Since it was created as a program of the Chicago Cultural Center in 1994, ShawChicago has presented over 100 productions of the works of George Bernard Shaw and his contemporaries. Their final production is The Doctor’s Dilemma, directed by Gary Alexander, running from March 23 to April 15. “It is fitting that we will end our years of success with The Doctor’s Dilemma, the first show that ShawChicago ever produced in 1994.”

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are called, and a doorman can be heard turning away new customers: “We’re done. Absolutely done.” Exiting patrons are told to use a secondary door to avoid the fight.

Police arrived and Itsi Mayra Tovar, 22, a transgender woman, was taken into custody after a 50-year-old patron of the bar signed a complaint that she “struck him on the top of the head with a closed fist, causing pain and a small bump,” according to police.

While Tovar was being taken into custody, Shelby Lynn Morris, 21, who later identified herself to police as transgender, interfered with the arrest and grabbed a police sergeant’s arm, the CPD spokesperson said. Morris was

arrested and charged with battery and resisting or obstructing police.

A police unit remained outside of Jackhammer to maintain the peace until the bar was emptied out at its usual 5 a.m. closing time, according to dispatch records.

Within hours, allegations of anti-trans and racist behavior by club personnel began making the rounds online:

Ariel Zetina was billed as one of the DJs working the club that night. Zetina tweeted:

“Wish I wasn’t still so shook by what happened at Jackhammer; also thing I haven’t said; so wild they made me stop my set; purely racist and transphobic and assuming I’m some ringleader to bring jackhammer down.”

“A fights a fight - like if it were

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two white dudes fighting would this have blown up? Just cos [sic] black and brown queer and trans people were a part means that all must be taken down in the club; no worries cos my friends and I will never set foot in jackhammer again.”

It’s easy to jump on some bandwagon of “justice” when you don’t know the facts. Beware of individuals who trigger you with words like “racist” or “transphobic” in order to excuse their horrible behavior,” said Teri Yaki.

On Sunday, Zetina solicited for donations to her Venmo, PayPal, and Cash App “for my two friends who were arrested. I know I personally would absolutely need a recovery period after having to be processed through the system and they both deserve some freedom from financial stress.”

By the evening of March 4, Zetina wrote that she raised enough money “to donate a recovery fund to both people, and also a bit to the queer people who were involved in the very long processing at the precinct.”

Chicago Police records show that Morris was released from custody at 9:15 a.m. March 3, less than five hours after being taken into custody. Tovar was released an hour later.

This reporter contacted Zetina via social media to get a first-hand account of what transpired inside the bar and to discuss her fundraising. She blocked us immediately and then posted, “Fully done talking to anyone about what happened - I’ve said everything I’ve needed to say - I am only interested in moving forward.”

The most significant reaction on Twitter was to a post late on March 3 by @pogform:

“Incredibly upset to hear that two trans people of color were arrested at the jackhammer last night. Chicago’s gay community needs to get their [act] together

violence began... and not from the staff.”

“The fact that they were removed had absolutely nothing to do with what gender they identified with or the color of their skin. My partner’s thumb is broken from being thrown to the floor and as I was trying to break up a fight was punched in the head. It’s easy to jump on some bandwagon of “justice” when you don’t know the facts. Beware of individuals who trigger you with words like “racist” or “transphobic” in order to excuse their horrible behavior.”

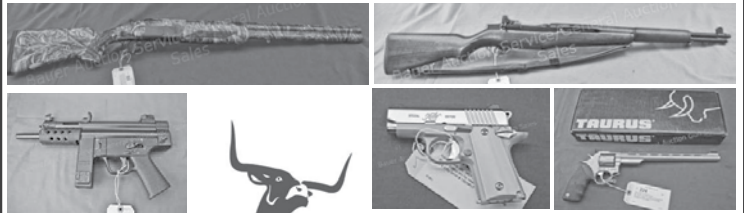
Sunday evening, Jackhammer ownership addressed the previous night’s issues via a released statement:

We are steadfast in our desire to make sure Jackhammer is absolutely an inclusive safe space for all. We know much work needs to be done so that incidents like last night do not happen, and when issues arise within the bar they are de-escalated as rapidly and respectfully as possible.

We are still gathering information about all that happened [March 3]. We do want to make clear that at no point did Jackhammer ask the police to press charges against anyone, nor did we ever consider that. We are not aware of who made any allegations against the individuals who were arrested or what the reason was for the arrests. Other than to take photos of our business licenses, which is standard protocol, the police did not enter the bar or interview any of our staff.

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If this property is a condominium unit, or a 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 and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). In accordance with 735 ILCS 5/15-1507(c)(1)(h-1) and (h-2), 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(5), and 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1), you are hereby notified that the purchaser of the property, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and legal fees required by subsections (g)(1) and (g)(4) of section 9 and the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of section 18.5 of the Illinois Condominium Property Act. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, contact the sales department, Anselmo Lindberg & Associates, LLC, 1771 W. Diehl Road, Suite 120, NAPERVILLE, IL 60563, (630) 453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit www.AnselmoLindberg.com. Please refer to file number F18050087. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. Anselmo Lindberg & Associates, LLC 1771 W. Diehl Road, Suite 120 NAPERVILLE, IL 60563 (630) 453-6960 E-Mail: foreclosurenotice@anselmolindberg.com Attorney File No. F18050087 Attorney ARDC No. 3126232 Attorney Code. 58852 Case Number: 18 CH 7098 TJSC#: 39-371 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.	18 CH 7098 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION WELLS FARGO BANK NA; Plaintiff, vs. CYPRIAN D'SOUZA AKA CYPRIAN D'SOUZA; MARY D'SANG AKA MARY D'SOUZA Defendants, 18 CH 11117 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Thursday, April 11, 2019 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate: P.I.N. 17-03-227-024-1159. Commonly known as 222 East Pearson Street, Apt. 2006, Chicago, IL 60611. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski, LLC, One East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611, 18-024292 F2 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer, (312) 444-1122	as set forth below, the following property described real estate: PIN: 14-33-107-018-0000. Commonly known as: 2238 N. Burling St., Chicago, IL 60614 The judgment amount was \$224,019.08. Improvements: Improved with a single family residence. Sale terms: 10% down of certified funds, the balance, by certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, assessments, 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. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than the mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information. MOMKUS LLC, 1001 Warrenville Road, Suite 500, Lisle, IL 60532,(630) 434-0400, Attorney for Plaintiff, First American Bank. mlasch@momkus.com/boostello@momkus.com, Cook County Atty. Id. No. 41568. IS113207 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, (FORMERLY KNOWN AS FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK) AS TRUSTEE FOR LONG BEACH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2001-4 Plaintiff, -v.- JACQUELINE SMITH, YVONNE FINCH FKA YVONNE SMITH, AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE COMPANY, THE CITY OF CHICAGO, CAPITAL ONE, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CAPITAL ONE, FSB, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA-DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY-INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A. FKA CAPITAL ONE BANK, 111 EAST CHESTNUT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, DISCOVER BANK Defendants 10 CH 00492 111 E. CHESTNUT, UNIT 45G 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 December 7, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on April 12, 2019, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 111 E. CHESTNUT, UNIT 45G, CHICAGO, IL 60611 Property Index No. 17-03-225-078-1333. The real estate is improved with a residential condominium. The judgment amount was \$441,712.80. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. 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You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719 Please refer to file number 53129. If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC 111 East Main Street DECATUR, IL 62523 (217) 422-1719 Fax #: (217) 422-1754 CookPleadings@hsbattnys.com Attorney File No. 40387 Case Number: 10 CH 00492 TJSC#: 39-1038 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. IS113342 272727

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consciousness and fought for them until they became policy and law.

During his time in City Council, Simpson also was instrumental in ending the Chicago Police Red Squad, which spied on Chicagoans for their political activities.

Leaving office after two terms in city council, Simpson offered a plan for reform of City government to Jane Byrne after she was elected mayor in 1979, but she ignored it. Simpson’s involvement in the Harold Washington movement was more fruitful, as Washington enacted some Simpson reforms.

But time spent in politics cost Simpson his first marriage. He married again, to Beatrice Biggs, but time spent in politics cost him that marriage, too in the late 1980s. It was around this time that Simpson became a minister with the United Church of Christ—a vocation that opponents ridiculed in Simpson’s later unsuccessful campaigns for Congress, proving that politicians will try to twist anything good and to make it seem bad if it will help them get elected. Simpson’s church was of course involved in politics, becoming a sanctuary church for foreign refugees—a precursor of today’s sanctuary cities movement.

His political activities have made him a special type of political science teacher. Simpson focuses less on the science and more on the politics, and his classes at UIC are known less for textbooks and more for innovative activities such as analyzing government as if students were on a political transition team, internships, experiential learning, and civic and political engagement.

The memoir aspect of the book comes into play again when Simpson writes about his third marriage, to Sarajane Avidon, who passed away from cancer.

A happier part of the book is Simpson’s explanation of his work with the successful Obama president campaign. Through example and advice, the book shows how progressive ideals and politics can win—not immediately, not completely, and not easily, but that “the good fight” can ultimately change the way we all live, and for the better.

Simpson’s career-long fights against the Daley administration, the Chicago Democratic machine, and Republican presidents are a blueprint for progressive political activists in an era of conservative Federal, State and City governments.

Concerning the recent race for governor between Republican incumbent Bruce Rauner and the Democrat who defeated him, JB Pritzker, Simpson commented that both would have “personally gained by reading my book, as neither seem very reflective.”

“Campaigns and governing are bruising and difficult and teach hard lessons to the candidates and their supporters,” Simpson said. “It is better to be prepared for the highs and lows in advance, and also know how to take advantage of the changes and opportunities which will open up in the campaign.”

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Also, a new legislative inspector general has been appointed after claims of a toxic culture in the state house of sexual harassment was made public.

Whether the IG will investigate the existence of a hiring black list within the Democrat Party is as yet unknown. How effective that will be in general also remains to be seen, as Chicago’s very own inspector general’s job overseeing corrupt aldermen has been tampered with by the very aldermen it was assigned to keep tabs on.



WANTED: Three women pepper-sprayed and battered a Walgreens employee during an attempted robbery in the Loop on March 3, police said.

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police said.

According to the alert, the group consists of up to four black males and one black female, all in their early 20’s who use a silver Ford Escape to flee the scene after each hold-up.

The incidents include one on the 0-100 block of E. Chestnut St., Saturday, March 1; another on the 900 block of N. State St., Saturday, March 1; the 0-100 block of E. Oak St., Saturday, March 1; 0-100 block of W. Ontario St., Sunday, March 2; 0-100 block of E. Walton St., Thursday, March 7; 0-100 block of E. Chicago Ave., Friday, March 8; 0-100 block of E. Chestnut St., Saturday, March 9, and on the 0-100 block of East Erie St., Saturday, March 9.

Police are encouraging pedestrians to be aware of their surroundings and to remain calm if they are confronted on the street. Anyone with information about the robbery pattern can contact Area Central detectives at 312-747-8380 regarding pattern P19-1-071.

Residential burglaries in Budlong Woods

Police are warning about two residential burglaries that have occurred in Budlong Woods. In these Burglaries, the offender(s) gained entry into the premises by forcing/kicking open doors.

Once inside, the offender(s) removed the property from the residence.

Incidents include one on the 2700 block of W. Rascher Ave. on Jan. 16, between 3 p.m. and 9:20 p.m., and one on the 2800 block of W. Catalpa Ave. on Jan. 21, between 8:06 p.m. and 8:10 p.m.

Walgreens worker beaten, pepper-sprayed in robbery attempt

Three women pepper-sprayed and battered a Walgreens employee during an attempted robbery in the Loop on March 3, police said. Surveillance images of three suspects have been released by Chicago police.

Around 6:40 p.m., the three women seen above attacked the 18-year-old worker and tried to take the victim’s wristlet inside the store at 2 E. Roosevelt, police said.

The robbery failed, but the victim was treated by an ambulance crew for her injuries.

Police said all of the suspects are women between 19- and 25-years-old.

Anyone with information about the incident may contact Area Central Detectives at 312-747-8382 or submit information anonymously via CP-DTIP.com. The case number is JC-171603.

— *Compiled by CWBChicago.com*

Lakeview Township Real Estate For Sale					
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131313 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF Cook County, Illinois, County Department, Chancery Division. Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC Plaintiff, vs. Edward V. Taylor aka Edward Taylor; Wayne Manor Condominium Association; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Defendants, Case # 2018CH9069 Sheriff's # 180273 F18020206 LCARE Pursuant to a Judgment made and entered by said Court in the above entitled cause, Thomas J. Dart, Sheriff of Cook County, Illinois, will on April 5th, 2019, at 1pm in room LL06 of the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction the following described premises and real estate mentioned in said Judgment: Common Address: 5623 North Wayne Avenue, Unit B3, Chicago, Illinois 60660 P.I.N: 14-05-331-063-1011 Improvements: This property consists of a Residential Condominium. Sale shall be under the following terms: payment of not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the successful and highest bid to be paid to the Sheriff by cashier's check or certified funds at the sale; and the full remaining balance to be paid to the Sheriff by cashier's check or certified funds within twenty-four (24) hours after the sale. Sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments. Premise will NOT be open for inspection. Firm Information: Plaintiff's Attorney ANSELMO, LINDBERG OLIVER LLC 1771 W. Diehl Road, Suite 120 Naperville, IL 60563-4947 Phone: 630-453-6960 Fax: 630-428-4620 Attorney #: Cook 58852, DuPage 293191, Kane 031-26104, Winnebago 3802, IL 0312-6232 sales@alolawgroup.com For bidding instructions, visit www.fal-illinois.com This is an attempt to collect a debt pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.	Sale shall be under the following terms: payment of not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the successful and highest bid to be paid to the Sheriff by cashier's check or certified funds at the sale; and the full remaining balance to be paid to the Sheriff by cashier's check or certified funds within twenty-four (24) hours after the sale. Sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments. Premise will NOT be open for inspection. Firm Information: Plaintiff's Attorney ANSELMO, LINDBERG OLIVER LLC 1771 W. DIEHL., Ste 120 Naperville, IL 60563 Sales Department foreclosurenotice@fal-illinois.com 866-402-8661 fax 630-428-4620 For bidding instructions, visit www.fal-illinois.com This is an attempt to collect a debt pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.	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, or a 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 and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). In accordance with 735 ILCS 5/15-1507(c)(1)(h-1) and (h-2), 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(5), and 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1), you are hereby notified that the purchaser of the property, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and legal fees required by subsections (g)(1) and (g)(4) of section 9 and the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of section 18.5 of the Illinois Condominium Property Act. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, contact the sales department, Anselmo Lindberg & Associates, LLC, 1771 W. Diehl Road, Suite 120, NAPERVILLE, IL 60563, (630) 453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit www.AnselmoLindberg.com. Please refer to file number F17120276. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. Anselmo Lindberg & Associates, LLC 1771 W. Diehl Road, Suite 120 NAPERVILLE, IL 60563 (630) 453-6960 E-Mail: foreclosurenotice@anselmolindberg.com Attorney File No. F17120276 Attorney ARDC No. 3126232 Attorney Code. 58852 Case Number: 18 CH 449 TJSC#: 39-313 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.	Defendants 18 CH 645 2520 N. SHEFFIELD AVE., UNIT D Chicago, IL 60614 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 9, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on April 10, 2019, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 2520 N. SHEFFIELD AVE., UNIT D, Chicago, IL 60614 Property Index No. 14-29-418-039-1004. The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$560,921.11. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.	government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: LAW OFFICES OF IRA T. NEVEL, LLC, 175 N. Franklin Street, Suite 201, CHICAGO, IL 60606, (312) 357-1125 Please refer calls to the sales department Please refer to file number 18-00083. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. LAW OFFICES OF IRA T. NEVEL, LLC 175 N. Franklin Street, Suite 201 CHICAGO, IL 60606 (312) 357-1125 E-Mail: pleadings@nevellaw.com Attorney File No. 18-00083 Attorney Code. 18837 Case Number: 18 CH 645 TJSC#: 39-251 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.	wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-18-06278. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-18-06278 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Attorney Code. 21762 Case Number: 2018 CH 08134 TJSC#: 38-9626 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.
2018 CH 9069 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF Cook County, Illinois, County Department, Chancery Division. Specialized Loan Servicing LLC Plaintiff, vs. Sophie F. Dahdah aka Sophie Dahdah aka Sophie F. Henthorn ; Julietta W. Khoury; Wael S. Khoury; Amhurst Loft Condominium Association; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Defendants, Case #2018CH9752 Sheriff's # 190003 F18050172 SLS Pursuant to a Judgment made and entered by said Court in the above entitled cause, Thomas J. Dart, Sheriff of Cook County, Illinois, will on April 16th, 2019, at 1pm in room LL06 of the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction the following described premises and real estate mentioned in said Judgment: Common Address: 2600 North Southport Avenue Unit 316 and G12, Chicago, Illinois 60614 P.I.N: 14-29-302-214-1056; 14-29-302-214-1081 Improvements: This property consist of a Residential Condo.		18 CH 449 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK N.A., SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR TO LASALLE BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE WASHINGTON MUTUAL MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, WMALT SERIES 2007-HY2 Plaintiff, -v- DAVID RYDZ, CAROLYN RYDZ A/K/A CAROLY RYDZ A/K/A CAROYN RYDZ, SHEFFIELD-LILL TOWNHOME ASSOCIATION, WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO CENTERBANK MORTGAGE COMPANY, JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, STATE OF ILLINOIS, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		18 CH 645 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER Plaintiff, -v- DONALD HOLMES, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF GORDON C. HOLMES, THE BOARDWALK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, CARSON ALEXANDER WHITE-HOLMES, IAN SEBASTIAN WHITE-HOLMES, KERRIGAN GABRIELLE WHITE-HOLMES, WILLIAM P. BUTCHER, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR GORDON C. HOLMES (DECEASED), CARY R. ROSENTHAL AS GUARDIAN AD LITEM Defendants 2018 CH 08134 4334 NORTH CLARENDON AVENUE UNIT #207 CHICAGO, IL 60613 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on December 6, 2018, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on April 9, 2019, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 4334 NORTH CLARENDON AVENUE UNIT #207, CHICAGO, IL 60613 Property Index No. 14-17-407-053-1017. The real estate is improved with a condo/townhouse. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or	13113296 272727

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rape kits by healthcare providers and is then sent to a local police department where investigators send the evidence to a laboratory for testing and, further down the line, possible use in the prosecution of an assailant.

That is not always the case though, according to Ilse Knecht, director of policy and advocacy at the Joyful Heart Foundation.

The Joyful Heart Foundation advocates for sexual assault and domestic violence survivors and houses End The Backlog, which conducts research and works to identify solutions to eliminate rape kit testing backlog.

Knecht said kits often get stuck at law enforcement agencies due to officers’ bias or inexperience on the job, allowing untested kits to pile up.

“It comes down to a combination of a lack of understanding about sexual assault victims and DNA, coupled with the lack of resources,” Knecht said. “The criminal justice system has not prioritized sexual assault.”

“Minimizing the significance of the rape kit ... is over,” Polly Poskin said.

Of the 3,580 kits obtained by the Chicago Police Department, 3,224 have been tested and 356 have not, according to a Jan. 25 Freedom of Information Actrequest response by the CPD to The Chronicle.

Polly Poskin, the executive director of the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault, said the tracking system is not enough.

A top priority following the tracking system implementation should be improved resources and employment for the testing of rape kits and, most importantly, reducing the testing turnaround time to a maximum of 90 days, Poskin said.

“Minimizing the significance of the rape kit ... is over,” Poskin said. “Nobody can ignore any longer how important it is, how many people have been so adversely affected and how the priorities of our nation need to shift to value the lives of women, to value the lives of victims ... and to see to it that justice is done.”



A Life in the Wild, by Thomas D. Mangelsen, is now on display through June 2 at the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Canon Dr.

Wilderness on exhibit at Academy of Sciences

Thomas D. Mangelsen – A Life in the Wild

Renowned nature photographer Thomas D. Mangelsen has traveled the world for over 40 years, observing and photographing the Earth’s last great wild places. His work is now on display through June 2 at the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Canon Dr.

The show, titled A Life in the Wild, fea-

tures rare moments and vast panoramas, Mangelsen’s extensive portfolio includes millions of images of wild animals and landscapes, from polar bears in the Arctic to tigers in India.

The exhibit showcases 40 of Mangelsen’s signature, award-winning photographs of wildlife and landscapes on all seven continents. Every image was captured by Mangelsen under natural conditions and involves no digital manipulation, demon-



strating his sensitivity to animal behavior and masterful skill in waiting for the “picture perfect moment” often in the face of hostile environmental conditions.

Mangelsen will be on site 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Tuesday March 19, where guests can hear him discuss his life’s work observing, photographing, and advocating for wildlife. Doors will open 30 minutes before the lecture start time. Book signing will follow. The cost is \$15 for non-members.

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They are considered a medical tool to help people with mental disabilities like depression and anxiety. The animal is often a small dog, but it could be most any species that provides a person emotional support like affection or judgment-free, positive reward.

For the emotional support animal to be legal, tenants need to provide the landlord with documentation from a licensed medical professional stating that the animal is being used to manage a health condition, such as post-traumatic stress disorder.

Emotional-support animals are different from service animals, which are governed by additional laws and defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act as dogs trained to perform tasks for a person with a disability, according to Zillow Group, Inc.

For the emotional support animal to be legal, tenants need to provide the landlord with documentation from a licensed medical professional stating that the animal is being used to manage a health condition, such as post-traumatic stress disorder.

People with disabilities can request reasonable accommodation for emotional-support animals under the federal Fair Housing Act and the federal Rehabilitation Act.

Even if a landlord has a no-pets policy, the property manager cannot deny a reasonable accommodation request for a service animal. According to federal guidelines, a landlord can ask for documentation of the disability if it is not readily apparent or known.

Because an emotional-support animal is not considered a pet, according to federal guidelines, a landlord cannot ask for or col-

lect an additional pet deposit or extra rent. Also, weight, breed or size restrictions cannot be imposed on the animal, according to Zillow Group.

However, a landlord can charge residents a fee if the emotional-support animal causes damage to the rental property provided the language is outlined in the lease.

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

Rogers Park Township Real Estate For Sale					
Real Estate For Sale	Real Estate For Sale	Real Estate For Sale	Real Estate For Sale	Real Estate For Sale	Real Estate For Sale
131313 060606 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION Plaintiff, -v- JAVIER T. SAENZ A/K/A JAVIER SAENZ, ELVA PATRICIA DAMIAN DE SAENZ, FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY, VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK Defendants 2018 CH 07105 2933 W. CHASE AVENUE 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 September 6, 2018, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 29, 2019, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 2933 W. CHASE AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60645 Property Index No. 10-25-327-008-0000. The real estate is improved with a residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition	of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-18-04644. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-18-04644 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Attorney Code. 21762 Case Number: 2018 CH 07105 TJSC#: 39-1183 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. 13113775 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC Plaintiff, -v- JOSEPH BULGATZ, MICHELLE BULGATZ, UNIT-	ED STATES OF AMERICA - DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, FIRST FINANCIAL EQUITIES, INC., UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 2018 CH 08389 3121 W. ARTHUR AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60645 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 18, 2018, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 27, 2019, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 3121 W. ARTHUR AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60645 Property Index No. 10-36-321-060-0000; 10-36-321-065-0000. The real estate is improved with a single family residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701n), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, the right to	redeem does not arise, there shall be no right of redemption. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-18-06753. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-18-06753 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Attorney Code. 21762 Case Number: 2018 CH 08389 TJSC#: 39-1118 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. 13113655 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,	ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION DITECH FINANCIAL LLC Plaintiff, -v- ROSARIO LENI F. ALBA, 7120 NORTH SHERIDAN CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 2018 CH 08144 7120 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD UNIT 3 A/K/A 7120 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD, UNIT 313 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 January 2, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on April 4, 2019, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 7120 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD UNIT 3 A/K/A 7120 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD, UNIT 313, CHICAGO, IL 60626 Property Index No. 11-32-102-015-1027. The real estate is improved with a condo/townhouse. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. 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dents support his campaign, though he can't put a number on it. Negrón said a significant number of donations came from in the ward, as well as a few local businesses.

The follow up question should have been how many donated outside the ward. Negrón got a \$45,000 check from Mayor Rahm Emanuel and several unions who represent construction workers who would benefit from his pro-development stance.

Negrón raised four times the amount of

money Martin raised.

Negrón said he would like to see more state investment in mass transit, while Martin said environmental concerns should co-exist with mass transit. Martin noted that the Brown Line "L" stop at Western is the second busiest in the city, and he said a charger station for electric cars would also benefit the ward.

While it looks now like the point may be mute, Martin said he would vote against the \$900 million Lincoln Yards TIF, and said the program is problematic. He said TIFs should be used for education and in-

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frastructure.

Negrón said TIFs are a great vehicle for the city. It's a good tool that's been mis-used, including by the current mayor who was his former boss. He said the Lincoln Yards TIF should be delayed, and trust restored in the program. He also said TIFs should only be used for infrastructure.

[The Lincoln Yards deal appears to be a done deal before the new administration will take office.]

What is the most important environmental issue in Chicago?

Negrón said the city should prepare for

climate change and addressed with infrastructure, and Martin said he mostly agreed. He also said recyclable waste should be increased.

The last question - What sets you apart from your opponent?

Martin said it's up to the voters to decide, and that he's empowered many people who have problems paying their property taxes. Negrón said he was raised in the city and grew up in an immigrant family.

"I'm inspired by this race, and win or lose, I hope the community has been better served," Negrón said.

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Toni Preckwinkle both called on the Zoning Committee to delay the vote until a new administration has been installed. But the city rejected suggestions that this deal was being rushed through city hall, saying instead that time was of the essence.

The project - never a certainty despite support by lame duck mayor Rahm Emanuel - got a boost when developer Sterling Bay doubled the number of "affordable" housing units from 300 to 600.

To be eligible for these "affordable" units, low- and median-income Chicagoans would have to make no more than \$47,000 for a family of four, according to the city's guidelines.

The 52-acre project got yet another last-minute shot in the arm when the overall density was shaved from 15 million to 14.5 million square feet and the tallest tower was cut from 650 to 595 feet tall.

The ambitious undertaking would still comprise 6,000 residential units, generate 10,000 temporary construction jobs and 24,000 permanent jobs, and have 21 acres of open space.

"We don't need development that makes developers rich quick and leaves families, taxpayers and workers holding the bag for bad planning and a billion-dollar TIF," said Ald. Michele Smith.

Early in the meeting, Ald. Cappleman, who became acting chairman of the Zoning Committee after Ald. Daniel Solis (25th) was removed from the post in the wake of a unrelated political scandal, said he would defer consideration of the Lincoln Yards issue because "there's still so much to digest," locked horns with Zoning Committee member and Lincoln Yards backer Ald. Walter Burnett (27th) who argued that Cappleman didn't have the power to defer discussion.

"We haven't voted you in as chair. They put you here to run the meetings, but you're not the chairman. You don't run zoning in other people's wards," Burnett said.

Ald. Cappleman later told reporters he understood he had that power to defer

items as acting chairman.

Earlier, however, Cappleman was able to get Sterling Bay to increase the number of affordable units while Ald. Brian Hopkins [2nd] said Sterling Bay went one better by reducing the size and height of the project.

As he has in the past, Ald. Hopkins promised to hold neighborhood meetings as the job continues to give residents a chance to look at the plans. Sterling Bay is expected to submit an annual transit/traffic study to the City Council and Hopkins promised to hold a neighborhood hearing upon the release of each of those studies.

But not everyone was all that happy.

"I regret this vote is taking place today," said Lincoln Park Ald. Michele Smith (43rd), noting that "the alterations that have been made to this plan are not significant and have not been reviewed by the community. Where is the school? Where is the library? Where is the true public park? Where is the true public benefit?"

"Getting Lincoln Yards right means doing much more than the token measures announced just days ago," she said in her weekly newsletter. "We need to see more benefits for the public realm, including a

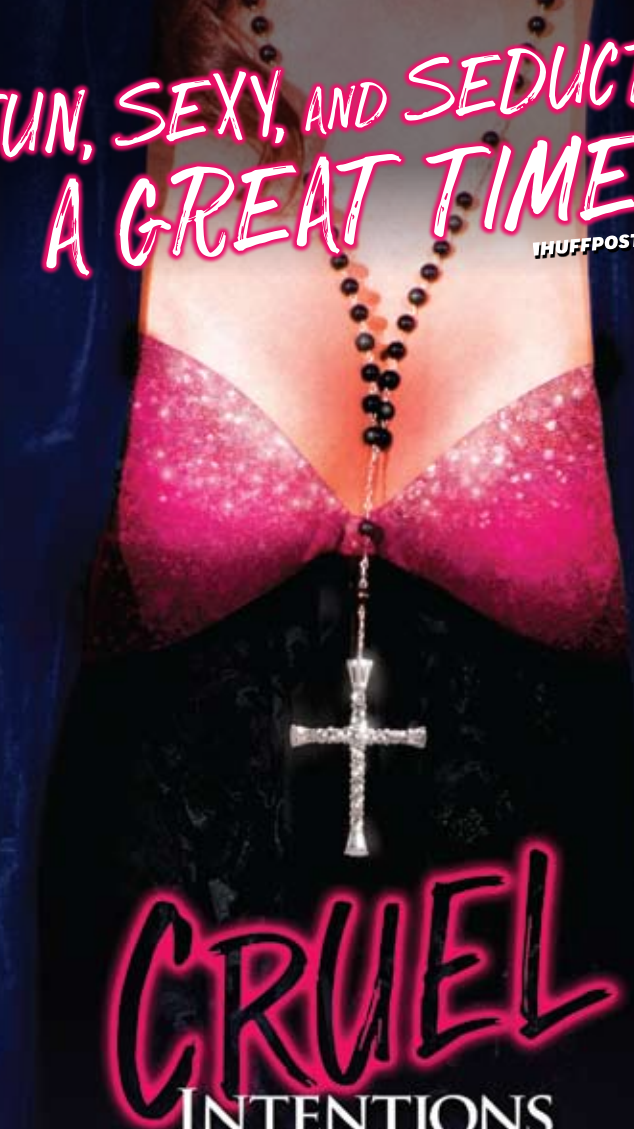
commitment to use tax increment financing funds to help turn the adjacent General Iron site from a scrap yard into a riverfront park that will help create a sizable stretch of parkland on the Chicago River's north branch."

"We don't need development that makes developers rich quick and leaves families, taxpayers and workers holding the bag for bad planning and a billion-dollar TIF," Smith added.

This project does rely on that \$900 million property tax subsidy, which could also be approved by the City Council today. TIF districts capture all growth in the property tax base in a designated area for a set period of time, usually 23 years, and divert it into a special fund for projects designed to spur redevelopment and eradicate blight. In this case, as much of the property in question is today now severely under assessed, the TIF would guarantee that almost all property taxes collected in this area would be returned to developer Sterling Bay. Much of those funds would be earmarked for infrastructure improvements such as new bridges and roads and a new multimodal Metra station.

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