

The world needs artists more than ever to remind us what truth and beauty and kindness really are.

— Terrence McNally

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Welcome to the Hotel Coronavirus: Checking in is easy. Checking out? Not so much

BY CWBCHICAGO

When Mayor Lori Lightfoot announced last week that the city will pay five hotels about \$175 a night for thousands of guest rooms to house COVID-19 patients, the arrangements sounded pretty comfy.

The deal, designed to provide relief for hospitals that may run out of beds, has been heralded as providing “temporary accommodations” a “housing option” and “a sanctuary for those who need it during this difficult time.”

COVID guests will get a comfortable hotel room and three meals a day on the city’s dime.

But, this reporter has learned, these guests will also encounter some unorthodox amenities. Not the least of which will be the security guards and Chicago police officers who are on-property to ensure that the “guests” don’t “check out” until the city says so.

And some Chicago cops who may be called on to physically restrain uncooperative hotel guests are raising serious questions about the arrangements.

Mandatory stay

Anyone who receives a COVID-19 diagnosis or who is waiting for test results can transfer to one of the city-furnished hotel rooms if they “cannot safely return home and do not need hospital care,” according to a city spokesperson who cited Chicago’s pandemic Joint Information Center.

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Unite Here Local 1 strikers in front of the Cambria in Dec. 2019. Photo courtesy Unite Here Local 1

COVID-19 helps settle 18-month-long hotel strike

Strike settlement part of deal that will pay hotels to shelter COVID-19 patients.

BY STEVEN DAHLMAN
Loop North News

A strike by hotel workers in Chicago that tested the patience of downtown residents for more than a year has finally been settled.

Mayor Lori Lightfoot announced on March 23 that as part of a deal for the city to pay hotels to shelter COVID-19 patients, Hotel One Sixty-Six, formerly known as Cambria Chicago Magnificent Mile, would have to settle with Unite Here Local 1.

Cambria is the last hotel to

settle with the union. The strike started on Sept. 7, 2018, and at one time involved 26 hotels in Chicago.

Strikers did not just carry picket signs. As they walked in circles in front of hotels, they made noise, using drums, sirens, loud chanting, megaphones, and other noisemakers, sometimes starting as early as 7:15 a.m. and at least one time going all night. The noise echoed in the concrete canyons of the Loop, River North, and Streeterville.

Hospital staff tried to reason

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Special deployment of border patrol agents now targeting Chicago

BY SHIRIN ALI
Medill News Service

After thwarted efforts by the Trump administration to assert federal authority over the country’s multiple sanctuary cities that harbor illegal aliens, President Donald Trump successfully began deploying special border patrol agents across the country in a targeted effort meant to supplement local ICE field teams.

Chicago along with the other

sanctuary cities of San Francisco, Los Angeles, Atlanta, Houston, Boston, New Orleans, Detroit and Newark are all now receiving special agents. This comes as a response to local ICE leadership requesting help in sanctuary jurisdictions where agents indicated a struggle to track down undocumented immigrants without the help of police and other state and local agencies.

Under city law, the Chicago Police Dept. and other city agen-

cies are not allowed to assist ICE except in specific cases where targeted undocumented immigrants have an outstanding criminal warrant, have been charged or convicted of a felony or have been identified as a gang member by CPD.

Asked about the deployment of special border patrol agents to Chicago, Steven Bansbach, U.S. Customs and Border Protection

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John Prine in the recording studio rehearsing for the following night’s Steve Goodman Tribute concert. Photo copyright © Linda Matlow/PIXINTL

Legendary singer-songwriter suffering with COVID-19

The family of John Prine posted a note on social media that the famous local singer-songwriter is suffering from “a sudden onset of COVID-19 symptoms. John was hospitalized on [March 26]. He was intubated Saturday evening, and continues to receive care, but his situation is critical.”

As of press time Prine’s condition has improved to stable.

Prine, 73, came into stardom during the local Chicago folk music scene in the 1960s and is now recognized nationwide.

Prine’s wife and manager, Fiona Whelan Prine, also had the virus, saying that she was diagnosed a week earlier after she and

her husband returned from a European trip. Prine has had a number of health issues over the years and is squarely in that vulnerable population that people have all heard about.

Prine was first discovered while playing at the Earl of Old Town in the early 1960s, where he was discovered by Kris Kristofferson and Paul Anka. While Prine once lived in Lincoln Park until the late 1980s, he and his wife currently live in Nashville. He is a two-time winner of the Grammy Award for best contemporary folk album and just last month received a lifetime achievement award at the Grammys.

SBA leader to host local conference call Thursday

Cook County Commissioner Bridget Gainer [10th] is bringing Robert Steiner of the U.S. Small Business Administration (U.S. SBA) directly to local Chambers and small businesses looking to understand if and how they can receive aid from the recent CARES Act at a small business townhall 12 noon Thursday.

The conference call meeting can be joined by calling 312-626-6799 and using the meeting ID 513 964 405.

The bipartisan \$2 trillion economic relief plan offers assistance to millions of Americans and businesses affected by the coronavirus pandemic. The U.S. SBA provides support to small business owners and stabilize the economy.

The Virtual Townhall will enable small business owners to ask questions about SBA eligibility

and process to receive funding. Cmsr. Gainer’s office will be available as a one stop shop for questions about applications, eligibility and deadlines.

“The survival of small businesses is essential to maintain the economy and the quality of life for Chicago residents,” said Gainer, who serves as the Chairperson for the Cook County Committee for Workforce and Economic Development.

Through the agency’s low-interest disaster loan program and other assistance, the SBA is now deploying all of its resources to help small businesses access the capital and counseling they need.

For questions regarding the various available loans and application processes, email district10@cookcountyil.gov or call 312-603-4210.



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Every one of us now using medical terms daily



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

I love language. Its precision and sense of expression, its capacity to clarify, dramatize, rhyme, instruct and express emotion. Be it common sense, great thoughts or a laugh.

Each language has its own built-in ability to be succinct, fluid, floral, poetic, complex and homespun. If you too love language, then you are tied to the shifting, circulating energy of vocabulary.

Vocabulary gives mere words meaning and power. Vocabulary can strengthen comprehension and expression, fills language with countless opportunities for on-going refinement, keeping language fresh for the people who use it.

That's why Shakespeare and the King James Bible often sound so off-putting to our 21st century ears. Or why the words of William Chaucer, William Penn or William Wordsworth sound a touch out of sync with Lin-Manuel Miranda, Jason Bieber, Lil Wayne or Cardi B.

No matter how much we love language, if we do not continue to grow our vocabulary, we will miss what things mean. Our language will be less dynamic, less precise, lacking in power.

The Corona Virus [COVID-19] is not without its impact on language and vocabulary. If you suddenly picked up a newspaper, or magazine, or fell into a Facebook conversation, or caught President Trump, Gov. Pritzker or Mayor Lightfoot in their daily press conferences, you might need your own dictionary to decipher what

they are talking about. Language has just morphed. It's like we went to sleep, and when we awoke people were using words in English we did not comprehend. Startling. It's like waking from a nap while watching "Hamilton" for the first time. Our receptors need fine-tuning. Time and events deepen the meaning of the words.

Perhaps you have been trying to play "catch-up," like me. Connecting the redemptive use of such vocabulary and the need to have each word demonstrate what they express. Perhaps some or all of these are familiar to you, but what's new is their recent additions to our everyday language from medicine and politics. A strange brew. A frightening concoction at times.

PATHOGEN: A bacteria, microbe, parasite, fungus, virus or other organism that causes a disease.

PANDEMIC: An epidemic of global proportions that has spread to multiple continents and countries crossing all borders. So extensive is COVID-19's pathway that the World Health Organization [WHO] declared it "pandemic" on March 11.

COVID-19: Disease caused by SARS-CoV-2. This is the novel coronavirus that was first found in Wuhan, China, and is responsible for the current outbreak. SARS is what we were all talking about in 2000 - Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome. Not as infectious as SARS-CoV-2, but it did have a much higher fatality rate.

QUARANTINE: A restriction on people who aren't ill but who are presumed to have been exposed to a contagious disease. Individuals, groups or communities can be subject to quarantine. It can be voluntary or mandatory and can take place at home or at a designated facility.



Jolanta Ruege



Julian Landais

SOCIAL DISTANCING: A preventive measure that encourages avoiding large crowds or small gatherings in tight places, keeping a 3" to 6" distance from others. Staying home is a form of social distancing.

SECONDARY INFECTION: A separate, unrelated infection caused by another disease. Bacterial pneumonia is a secondary illness that can be caused by COVID-19. The WHO releases daily situation reports that track the spread of and fight against coronavirus across the world.

SUSPECTED CASE: People with COVID-19-like symptoms who are not confirmed to have the virus.

VIRUS: A type of germ or microbe. The flu, COVID-19, Zika and Ebola are all caused by viruses. Viruses cannot be treated with antibiotics.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT: [PPE] Equipment such as masks and gloves that doctors and nurses wear to protect themselves from diseases.

PAPR: [Powered Air-Purifying Respirator] Another necessity for survival that state government has criticized the federal government for not providing sufficient amounts of equipment. They're the giant full-body suits and helmets healthcare workers wear to treat people quarantined with infectious diseases.

PUM: [Person Under Monitoring] An individual who does not have COVID-19 symptoms but who has been in contact with someone who is presumed or confirmed to have the virus.

PUI: [Person Under Investigation] These are people with COVID-19-like symptoms who are not confirmed to have the virus. PUIs can be individuals who had contact with a confirmed

case and are displaying some symptoms or they can be people who were hospitalized with severe pneumonia without a different explanation.

SUSPECTED CASE: People with COVID-19-like symptoms who are not confirmed to have the virus.

REMDESIVIR: A novel antiviral drug in the class of nucleotide analogs. It was developed by Gilead Sciences as a treatment for Ebola virus disease and Marburg virus infections. It is currently being studied for SARS-CoV-2.

This is hardly an exhaustive treatment of the language of the pandemic, or in any way the brutality of the crisis. This is just a simple treatment of the words and concepts that have been bandied about. We first must understand the concepts, then the manner in which they are used.

We must ask ourselves - are they effective, concise, pandemic-oriented and directed at the crisis conditions in which we find ourselves? We must have a list of facts and words with specific meaning to intelligently talk about the situation. "Stay Home" and "Self-Quarantine" seems to be the very best advice.

Hysteria. Violence. Despondency. Anger. And fear are all possibilities for framing our reaction.

Or we can go slow. Use our strength and wisdom to engage the medical emergency with candor and accuracy.

We do not need rumors, we need no finger pointing. We have spectacular resources available to us. Not least of which is our ability to speak with accuracy and truth about what is unfolding. Of all the species, only we have that gift.

As Americans, raised in the freedom and hope of our Republic, we know the power of our national unity. So be kind to each other. Especially to strangers and the fearful, the unemployed and

hurting.

Stay home. Quarantine yourself. Practice your French. Make bread. Paint.

In his poem, "The Peace of Wild Things," Wendell Barry proves himself a man of deep awareness to live in fragility and pain. It also has the capacity to revive us. Spend some time with these words. Let them heal you.

*When despair for the world grows in me
and I wake in the night
at the least sound
in fear of what my life and my
children's lives may be,
I go and lie down
where the wood drake*

*rests in his beauty
on the water, and
the great heron
feeds.*

*I come into the
peace
of wild things
who do not tax
their lives
with forethought of
grief.*

*I come into the
presence
of still water.
And I feel above
me the day-blind
stars*



John Bross

waiting with their light.

For a time

*I rest in the grace of the world,
and am free.*

VALE ET VALDE: Judy Bross lost her beloved husband, John, last week and our hearts go out to her and their family. Partners in culture and philanthropy,

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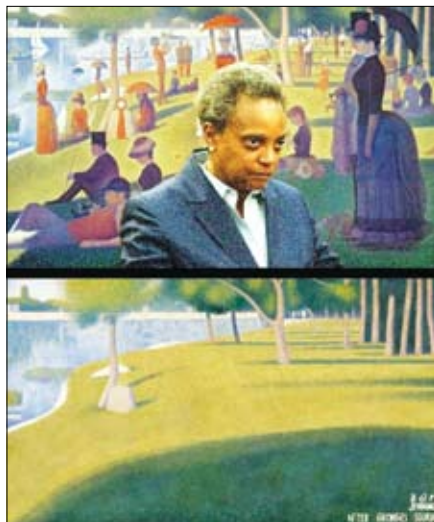
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Jessica Romanowski is dishing out a heaping serving of good will to those in need.

Funny memes of Mayor Lori Lightfoot have provided some much needed laughs for Chicagoans.

Cooking meals to nourish the body and soul

Plus, thanks Mayor Lightfoot



Heart of the 'Hood

by Felicia Dechter

Jessica Romanowski is nourishing the souls of Chicagoans with one of the things she does best - cooking. With her Care Kitchen Chicago emergency care packages, Romanowski is providing free, healthy and comforting meals to those in need.

"I am cooking foods that will nourish and fuel and comfort people that currently need food assistance -- service industry people who are out of work and need help, those that cannot afford to have their meals delivered and are self-quarantined or at-risk," said Romanowski.

Romanowski, a bartender at the concert venue/bar The Hideout, has worked in the food/beverage industry since she was a teen. She has a manager's sanitation certificate, and had already been working on plans to start a food business in East Garfield Park in addition to occasional private/personal chef work she does.

She decided to begin this incredibly-generous effort after Gov. Pritzker ordered all bars and restaurants closed to the public. Romanowski had already been out of work for a few days and was sitting at home, alone, worried about the escalating COVID-19 situation and eager to find a way to help.

She already had a donated commercial kitchen space to use for food prep, but no income with which to purchase ingredients. So Romanowski created a Facebook post, asking for help in funding a care-package project. Donations poured in, and a gofundme page soon followed.

As of early Monday morning, the gofundme had raised more than \$6,600 of Romanowski's \$7,500 goal, which will allow her to extend care packages to additional recipients each week, increase the number of meals per person, and provide the assistance as needed throughout the duration of the crisis.

Her first week she distributed 18 care packages, which provided 21 adults and seven kids with food assistance. Meals consisted of a variety of items including chicken and dumplings, with a mushroom option for vegetarians; veggie curry with Basmati rice; Turkey Sandwich with sunflower seed pesto, mozzarella, butter lettuce and potato salad and more, including fruits and dessert.

Romanowski has a few neighbors and friends pitching in, helping remotely with administrative duties such as menu insert and recipient spreadsheet, and with the marketing of her logo, name, and gofundme page. Her sister-in-law is baking fresh breads, and she received food and supplies donations from Martha Bayne of Soup & Bread Chicago, Michelle Foik/ Eris Brewery & Cider House, and Rosario Maldonado of Farm on Ogden/Windy City Harvest/Chicago Botanic Garden.

She also has a list of people ready to be no-contact delivery drivers as this grows, but she only needed to work with one of them this week: Omar Ariza, someone she went to high school with at Northside College Prep.

Other than that, the downside is that Romanowski can't have anyone else in the kitchen with her. So currently she's cooking meals alone, which is safer but not as easy to grow the list of recipients, she said.

Romanowski is looking for help shopping to keep her exposure risk down while cooking

for others. "This is all health willing," she said. If she starts to feel sick, and cannot find someone to pass the torch to, she will donate the remaining money and the food items to a food pantry, she said.

She called it "the most gratifying" to be able to do something like this.

"I've been saying for years that I just want to feed people and I'm lucky enough to be in a position to do just that right now," said Romanowski.

She hopes that she can "alleviate a little stress that people may feel around food, share a little love with others, and focus my energy in a way that helps keep my anxiety at bay."

Anyone who would like to donate can do so via Romanowski's Care Kitchen gofundme page or to donate ingredients/supplies, please email her at carekitchenchicago@gmail.com.

Lightfoot gets on the goodfoot...

Dear Mayor Lightfoot,

Thank you for your tough, non-nonsense approach in Chicago. Your swift and thoughtful reaction has helped save lives I'm sure. It is greatly appreciated.

And I applaud your gumption. Somehow, I feel as if I'm in good, caring hands with you (and Gov. Pritzker) leading us.

I was one of those people out in the park on that absolutely



only to their phone and not to where they were walking.

I headed home. My walk in the park had not been a de-stressor, nor was it pleasant. It was downright nerve-wracking.

After that day, you closed down the lakefront and the parks, which was not a popular decision.

gorgeous day last week. It felt so good to get some warm sunshine and fresh air. I've been in a strict self-quarantine since March 9 due to being high risk. But on that particular day, I stepped out my door and headed into Loyola Park, in Rogers Park.

As one might imagine, the park was jam-packed. I started to take a walk, but unfortunately, I was only out for a few short minutes before turning around and going home. "There are too many people getting too close to me," I told my husband, who did not go with me. "It's dangerous out there."

People were coming so near that it freaked me out. Weren't we supposed to stay at least six feet away from each other? Why was that woman walking two dogs coming my way? "Oops, sorry," someone else said as they almost bumped into me, paying attention

But it was a necessary one. I'm so glad you made that call. If we are to fight this virus with all we've got, there has to be someone who takes a strong lead and sticks to their guns.

You did just that while not caring how anyone might have criticized you for it.

At your expense admittedly, you've also provided some great laughs for us with the memes that have been circulating with you in them.

Like a scene out of "Where's Waldo," you've appeared in numerous places. You've been placed in the Georges Seurat painting, "A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte," which depicts a very unhappy-looking you in a crowded park. (A second meme shows the park

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Auction of delinquent Cook County property taxes postponed indefinitely

A Cook County Circuit Court Judge has postponed the Annual Tax Sale of delinquent properties scheduled to begin May 8, because of the coronavirus pandemic, said Treasurer Maria Pappas.

In an emergency motion, Pappas asked for the delay to protect the health and safety of Cook County residents in light of the pandemic. The judge granted the motion, postponing the Tax Sale until the court orders the sale to proceed.

“Holding the Tax Sale under these circumstances would be

unfair to tens of thousands of homeowners who are living paycheck-to-paycheck and face this pandemic,” Pappas said.

There are more than 52,000 properties whose delinquent taxes would be sold to investors if the Tax Sale were held, Pappas said. Of those properties, more than 30,000 are homes and 23,000 owe less than \$1,000. About 2,000 are owned by senior citizens.

Postponing the Tax Sale would delay payment of an estimated \$48 million in property taxes that would have been collected during the sale.

The Treasurer’s Office is required to put delinquent taxes up for auction, the first step in a legal process that can end with the loss of property if the taxes are not repaid. When it takes place, the Tax Sale will be for homes, businesses and land with unpaid bills for Tax Year 2018 (originally due in 2019).

Letter to the Editor

Lincoln Square parking lot very important

I would like to congratulate you on great reporting about the proposed parking lot on Western and Leland. As a longtime resident, and life-time visitor of Lincoln Square this issue is very important. I would like to subscribe to your paper. I would also like to share your recent article about the DANK Haus in Vol 116, No. 13. This news is huge and you should get credit for it! Great reporting and thank you!

Ingrid Baltasi

State benefits working overtime

The Illinois Dept. of Human Services has announced that 14 Family Community Resource Centers (FCRC) will remain open with reduced staff to balance the need to provide essential services while meeting social distancing guidelines during the coronavirus situation.

FCRCs are the public facing benefits offices that bring nutrition and medical supports to individuals and families across Illinois.

The state urges all customers to apply for and manage their benefits online at ABE.illinois.gov or by calling 1-833-2-FIND-HELP. IDHS will keep both its customers and employees updated as to rotations to other open offices or any further office closures.

North Side apartment building values on the rise despite downturn

The end of the Bull Market and stock-market declines sparked by the coronavirus economy are driving more and more serious buyers into investment real estate.

“Despite the economic downturn and rising real estate taxes, small income properties are on the rise in hot North Side neighborhoods such as Lincoln Park, Lakeview, Bucktown, Wicker Park, Ukrainian Village, Logan Square, Edgewater and North Center,” noted Realtor Sara E. Benson, president of Chicago-based Benson Stanley Realty.

“Well-located income properties returning high rents are extremely attractive to small investors,” Benson said. “It’s about cash flow, scarcity, and demand.”

Housing analysts noted that affordable mortgage rates also played a major role in igniting the market in late 2019. On Nov. 7, 2019, benchmark 30-year-fixed mortgages averaged 3.69%, according to Freddie Mac’s Primary Mortgage Market Survey. A year earlier, rates averaged 4.94%. With 30-year mortgage rates moving lower this year, experts say 2020 could be another solid season for investing in multifamily properties. On March 26, Freddie Mac reported that 30-year rates fell to 3.5% from 3.65% a week earlier.

At any point in time, there typically are less than 2,800 small income properties listed for sale in Northern Illinois. At the same time, there usually are about 36,000 single-family home listings and 15,000 condos for sale. Compass Real Estate’s X-Plus Team, specialists in marketing two-unit to 12-unit properties, compiled the following comparison of 2017 and 2019 three-unit and four-unit building sales by zip codes on Chicago’s North Side.

Recent sales include a broad mix of Victorian brownstones, red brick and peaked-roof frame

three-flat and four-flat properties built mostly between the turn-of-the-century and 1920s:

- 60614: Encompassing Old Town and Lincoln Park, 22 three-unit properties were sold in 2019, each for an average price of \$1,166,864. In 2017, 21 three-unit properties were sold for an average price of \$1,014,952. Average market time in 2019 was 73 days, down from 118 days in 2017.

- Ten four-flats in the 60614-zip code sold in 2019 for an average price of \$1,313,712. In 2017, 14 four-flats in the 60614-zip code sold for an average price of \$1,269,628. Average market time was 46 days in 2019, down from 86 days in 2017.

- 60657: In Lakeview, 26 three-unit properties were sold in 2019 for an average price of \$962,487. Twenty three-unit properties were sold in 2017 for an average price of \$968,646. Average market time was 48 days in 2019, down from 73 days in 2017.

- Nine four-flats in the 60657-zip code sold for an average price of \$1,142,056 in 2019 with an average market time of only 35 days. Fifteen four-flats in the 60657-zip code sold in 2017 for an average price of \$1,267,308 with an average market time of 56 days.

- 60622: Encompassing Bucktown, Wicker Park and Ukrainian Village, 29 three-unit properties were sold in 2019 for an average price of \$815,451. Average market time was 56 days. Twenty-seven four-flats in the 60622-zip code sold for an average price of \$911,676 in 2019 with an average market time of 49 days.

- In 2017, zip code 60622 posted sales of 34 three-unit properties for an average price of \$750,956. Average market time was 74 days. Eighteen four-flats in the 60622-zip code sold for an average price of \$978,993 in 2017 with an average market time of 64 days.

- 60647: In Logan Square, 53 three-unit properties were sold in 2019 for an average price of \$666,953. Average market time was 44 days. Thirteen four-flats in the 60647-zip code sold for an average price of \$773,958 in 2019 with an average market time of only 32 days.

- In 2017, zip code 60647 posted sales of 46 three-unit properties for an average price of \$582,050. Average market time was 83 days. Twenty-six four-flats in the 60647-zip code sold for an average price of \$774,230 in 2017 with an average market time of 50 days.



“Well-located income properties returning high rents are extremely attractive to small investors,” Sara Benson said. “It’s about cash flow, scarcity, and demand.”

- 60618: Encompassing West Roscoe Village, Avondale and Albany Park. Fifty-five three-unit properties were sold in 2019 for an average price of \$605,450. Average market time was 36 days. Twenty-five four-flats in the 60618-zip code sold for an average price of \$731,487 in 2019 with an average market time of only 29 days.

- In 2017, zip code 60618 posted sales of 68 three-unit properties for an average price of \$557,491. Average market time was 64 days. Twenty-three four-flats in the 60618-zip code sold for an average price of \$693,768 in 2017 with an average market time of 33 days.

- Led by Weston Harding and Gloria Wiekert, and based at 2350 N. Lincoln Ave. in Lincoln Park, the Compass X-Plus Team has sold properties valued at more than \$250 million, ranking it in the top 10% of all producing Realtors in Chicago for the past six years. For more information call 312-669-4343, or visit www.xplusrealestate.com.

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empty after you’ve been there.) You’re also standing in the circa-1930, famous Grant Wood painting, “American Gothic.” Then there’s the meme of you at the Chicago podium, mean-mugging us and stating, “I said, Get in the House.”

Yes, you’ve provided us with some great laughs. We need it, so please don’t be offended. We now know they make you chuckle too.

Oh, and I also love your fun PSA videos. So far I’ve seen The Baker, The Baller, The Astrologer, and The Beginner. LOL.

Keep up the great work, Mayor Lightfoot. We thank you. Stay safe and well.

And readers, that goes for you too. See y’all next week. Until then, take care.



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3550 N Lake Shore Drive, Unit 2211

This condo features beautiful gray wood floors throughout, a cook's kitchen with white shaker soft-close cabinets, white & stainless steel tops with glass tile backsplash, LED under-cabinet lighting, undermount sink & a full range of stainless steel appliances, along with a breakfast bar. Gorgeous bathroom with new floor & wall tile & vanity. **SOLD**



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Growing need at local food pantries for food and volunteer help

BY PATRICK BUTLER

At a time when emergency food centers around the city are straining to cope with an unexpected need triggered by the massive jolt of unemployment following the shutdown of much of the city, members of the community have rallied around dozens of food pantries and services.

On the North Side, Lakeview Pantry says they have seen an unprecedented increase in demand for food assistance. They say that demand for their food services have increased by 40%, while other social services like mental health counseling, have seen demand grow by about 25%.

As much as needing food, these groups are also now in dire need of bodies... volunteers to sort and deliver foods to those in need.

This is just one story of many efforts underway today, as the Lake View Kiwanis Club came to the rescue of eight Chicago centers last week.

Led by the club's president, Frank Crescenzi, members Leah Steele, Dan O'Donnell, Tom O'Donnell (no relation), Declan Morgan, Nancy Herrera, Ron

Horning, Karl Schroeder, Marshall Trout, and Deacon Paul Spalla of St. Mary of the Lake Church gifted eight local food pantries - St. Teresa Avila, St. Mary of the Lake, Queen of Angels, St. James, St. Mary of Providence, Benton House, Helping Hands and New Life Baptist Church.

For Jennifer Olson, director of the St. Teresa Avila pantry, it was a welcome surprise at the Lincoln Park church which has not only been seeing more clients in the past week or so, but has had to make some major changes to its operations.

Until the last few days, St. Teresa used to just have people come in and take their pick of the available foods, Olson said, noting that has had to abruptly change with the times.

Now, and for the foreseeable future, guests are handed out pre-packed bags to take home, she noted, adding that the same procedure is followed at the Friday night dinners, "we just give out bags for people to take home."

Not much different from restaurants these days, Olson agreed.

While it's no surprise St. Teresa

has been getting a lot more guests these days, the number of volunteers has shrunk, she noted.

"We now average about six volunteers working at any time. We used to have twice that many" before the city shut down.

Like St. Teresa's parishioners, the volunteers don't just come from the Lincoln Park area, but from all over the city. Many once lived in the neighborhood but continued coming to the 131-year-old parish even after the neighborhood gentrified, Olson said.

But despite the neighborhood's changes, the need is still there, Olson said, noting that the pantry gets a lot of help from the Greater Chicago Food Depository, what the pantry needs most these days is money "so we can buy what we need when we need it."

But if people are giving any food, "we'd most like cereals like oatmeal, and cans of soup, stuff that sticks to your ribs," she added.

Asked whether St. Teresa's has something on offer for any four-legged family members as well as the bipeds, Olson said "unfortunately no. Not now. But it might be a good idea."

What has virus "shelter in place" order done to North Side real estate?

The numbers are down and it will probably get worse before it gets better. This story gives insight into what is actually happening on the North Side and potential influences that may positively or negatively affect a future rebound.

BY JOHN IRWIN

We are constantly being bombarded with some real news these days. Some is accurate, some is inaccurate and some is panic driven.

It is impossible to make an accurate prediction of what is going to happen to North Side real estate, until the crisis begins to stabilize. It is important to know what has actually been going on since the "Shelter In Place" order on March 21.

The following are market results from the week of March 21 to March 28 for the Near North Side, Lincoln Park, Lakeview and North Center.

Home Sales - There were 134 home sales (closings) in the past week. While we don't have "apples to apples" comparative numbers for last year, 518 units closed in March 2019 for an average of 129 per week. This represented a 3.8% increase over last year. Illinois has deemed real estate services as an essential, so the title and mortgage companies are still doing closings. It should be noted that most of these homes went under contract last month before the "Shelter In Place" order.

Homes Under Contract - Is probably the most accurate indicator of current home sales activity, as most of these homes went un-

der contract in the current month. During the seven day period, 153 homes went under contract compared with 778 for the month of March 2019 or an average of 195 per week. While this represents a 21% drop over last year, buyers are still out there.

It appears that most of the current activity is in homes priced under \$1,000,000. Luxury buyers seem to be waiting for the situation to stabilize. More specific price point and neighborhood data will be available next week in my end of month report.

Inventory - Beginning March 2020 (and pre "Shelter In Place") inventory levels dropped 6.8% from 2019 for the second consecutive month.

Since the "Shelter In Place" order, 178 seller's have chosen to take their homes temporarily off the market (many for safety reasons). There were also 113 cancellations of active listings. Many of these cancellations were later re-listed as new, some with a price change.

There were 163 new listings in the past seven days, but as noted

above, some of these are re-listed homes that were previously on the market. Many new sellers are waiting for some stability before they list their homes.

Homes being taken off the market and a decrease of new listings have lowered already falling inventory levels.

Price Changes - Surprisingly despite the unfolding of events, there does not seem to be a rush to lower prices by seller's as there were only 34 price changes in the past seven days. As noted above

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No tax credits for Lincoln Square housing project, deal may be dead for now

On Monday City Hall announced this year's winners of federally-backed low income housing tax credits, and a Section 8 housing project proposed by Ald. Matt Martin [47th] for Lincoln Square did not make the list.

The proposal was organized in secret by a small group of the alderman's political supporters, but openly opposed by a large faction of 47th Ward residents, retailers and cultural institutions once details of the plan leaked out late in 2019.

The proposal was never presented to the general public in an open meeting, but was shared privately with a select group that included the local chamber of commerce and a relatively new neighborhood association closely tied to the 47th Ward Alderman's Office. While neither organization notified the general public of the plans and details they were privy to, both became early boosters of the proposal and sent letters of support to the Chicago Dept. of Planning and

Development in Oct. 2019.

All along the alderman had claimed that getting the tax credits was the key to moving the proposed project from possibility to reality. The six-story project was to be built by a Boston-based developer on a commercial parking lot at Leland and Western avenues. The parking lot is considered a critical piece of commercial infrastructure and was created in 1979 based on a Master Plan for Lincoln Square.

Eleven proposed projects were named recipients of \$13.2 million in low-income tax credits. Those tax credits are typically sold by developers to wealthy investors to create capital which is then leveraged to finance affordable-housing projects.

This round of tax credit funding is the last to be considered for two-years, and leaves Ald. Martin the unenviable task of bringing up the proposal again right in the middle of a re-election campaign if he wants to try again.

Need mental health support?

DePaul Education and Counseling Services are now being offered for COVID-19 support through the DePaul Education and Counseling Center.

Under the new social distancing rules, DePaul is only offering virtual counseling sessions, staff cannot meet in person at present.

The school is offering remote counseling services in a confidential environment for adults, children, couples, and families in search of personal counseling and support. Graduate counseling interns serving under the direct supervision of doctoral level li-

censed clinicians, conduct counseling sessions for individuals of all ages, couples, and groups.

Common issues addressed include depression, anxiety, life transitions, relationship/friendship issues, bullying, low self-esteem, adolescent issues, anger, college readiness, and goal planning.

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Help for people struggling to make payments

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The IDFPR is urging banks and credit unions to respond to borrowers affected by the current economic environment, such as small businesses, hourly workers, and independent contractors.

Although IDFPR is aware that many state banks and credit unions are already providing modifications, forbearances, and new loans to consumers and businesses, IDFPR is encouraging all banks and credit unions to consider offering payment accommodations (such as allowing borrowers to defer payments at no cost or extending the payment due dates); Providing new loans on favorable terms to businesses and consumers and waiving certain fees

(such as those for ATM usage, over-drafting, and late payments on credits cards and other loans). They are also asking banks to see that consumers and small businesses don't experience a disruption of service if financial institutions close their offices.

Gov. JB Pritzker issued an Executive Order on March 20, pausing all evictions from homes and rental units. The IDFPR is now urging all mortgage servicers to defer mortgage payments for 90 days for those who are suffering hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and the suspension of evictions and foreclosures for 60 days on FHA single family home loans and reverse mortgages for seniors.

They are also asking that all foreclosure sales and evictions be suspended for these loans, with forbearance or reduction of mortgage payments for up to 12 months, suspension of late charges and penalties and suspension of reporting to credit bureaus of past due payments.

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First impressions at The Clare: A day in the life of The Clare front desk

First impressions at The Clare are important, and the Front Desk is responsible for ensuring residents, guests, employees, and others feel welcome and taken care of as soon as they enter the Lobby.

On a Tuesday afternoon, Front Desk Supervisor Shanette Wells, Receptionist Tiffany Thomas, and Doorperson Bob Jackson command the Front Desk. This trio shares an inside look at what their daily activities at the Front Desk are, the importance of first impressions and what led them to work at The Clare.

The importance of first impressions at The Clare

Anyone who enters The Clare will encounter Shanette, Tiffany, Bob, or another member of the Front Desk team greeting them with a bright smile, whether it is a first-time visitor or a resident returning home. The goal is to create a welcoming environment and assist everyone entering and exiting the building with whatever they need.

"We set the tone of the building," Shanette says. "And we are the ones who make the first impression for residents and potential residents. That very moment helps them to decide whether they can see themselves living here or not."

First impressions are undoubtedly crucial, but so is the role of the Front Desk helping residents and guests in various capacities.

"The most important thing is meeting the needs of every person," Tiffany says. "We want to be able to help however we can."

Throughout the day, the Front Desk team is in charge of:

- Overseeing the elevators
- Checking in guests for The Terraces
- Calling Independent Living residents to let them know when their guests arrive
- Letting vendors in and out of the building for deliveries
- Submitting maintenance and IT work orders for residents
- Communicating with Security frequently
- Scheduling LYFT rides for residents
- Providing guidance on various resident requests and questions

In many ways, the Front Desk is responsible for keeping The Clare running smoothly.

"If the Front Desk doesn't operate, the building doesn't operate," Shanette says.

Certain hours of the day can be more chaotic than others. However, no matter



Front Desk Supervisor Shanette Wells.



Doorperson Bob Jackson.

what challenge they face, the Front Desk team effectively communicates with one another to ensure safety and efficiency in solving problems. During emergencies or hectic situations, Shanette establishes a calm and effective environment for her and her co-workers.

"In The Terraces, I was able to build relationships with the residents on a personal level," Tiffany Thomas says. "Now at the Front Desk, I'm still helping residents and guests every day. I'm still able to be around people, which is something I've always enjoyed."

"Anything that happens, you just roll with it and calmly fix it," she says. "Luckily, I have Tiffany, Bob and the others by my side, and we work together to handle any problem at hand."

The path to working at The Clare

Shanette, Tiffany, and Bob each have unique trajectories that led them to the Front Desk of The Clare, yet the one thing they have in common is their commitment to the community.

Bob, for example, has worked at The Clare since the day the building opened in 2008. As a doorperson for more than 11 years now, he has become known as the face of The Clare, his demeanor exemplifying Clare hospitality.

"It is my job as the doorperson to distract the residents from their fears," Bob says. "This is their home. So much operates and happens here, and they want to be acknowledged, so I acknowledge them. They want to feel valued, so I make sure that they are feeling valued when they come in."

Meanwhile, Shanette has been working at The Clare for almost nine years. Before

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starting at The Clare, she was coaching sports at a middle school. She then began working here in a security capacity, later became a driver for residents, and shortly after landed at the Front Desk. Most recently, she was promoted to the Front Desk Supervisor.

"All of my past jobs are so different," Shanette says. "But I love working here at the Front Desk because I am able to create bonds with residents, and I love working with my team."

Tiffany also started at The Clare nine years ago, originally as a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) in The Terraces. Two years ago, she transferred to the Front Desk, becoming one of the pleasant faces to greet newcomers and residents alike. And while the two roles are quite different, they also hold a number of similarities.

"In The Terraces, I was able to build re-

lationships with the residents on a personal level," Tiffany says. "Now at the Front Desk, I'm still helping residents and guests every day. I'm still able to be around people, which is something I've always enjoyed."

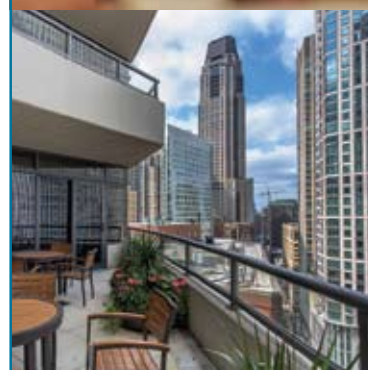
Although each team member took a different route to The Clare, today they share the enjoyment of witnessing the sense of community formed between residents, staff and guests. Tiffany, Shanette and Bob explain that the residents have truly made a wonderful effort in getting to know everyone at The Clare.

"We love seeing all the residents create a community with one another," Shanette says. "They help each other out whenever something good or bad happens, and they love getting to know new residents or just building personal relationships with Clare staff."



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Debt collection is not listed as essential business under Gov. Pritzker's order. However, debt collectors may continue to operate remotely. The Department is encouraging debt collectors and debt buyers to work with consumers to accommodate hardships due to the crisis, including to suspend collection activity for a period of at least 60 days.

Consumers should be aware of their rights, including that debt collectors cannot call you at places and times

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Police Beat...

Two charged after carjacked SUV crashes in Lincoln Park

A Waukegan man is facing multiple charges after he allegedly crashed a carjacked SUV into a Lincoln Park garage and then threw a handgun while running from police on March 26.

Police responded to the 900 block of W. Schubert at 11:21 a.m. after a witness saw two men run from a vehicle that had crashed into



Daniel Salas

a residential garage, according to a CPD spokesperson. The crashed SUV was reportedly taken in an armed carjacking in suburban North Chicago on March 25.

Officers searched the area around the crash site and found Daniel Salas, 19, and Jerry Thomas, 18, nearby. Police said they matched the descriptions of the two men who were seen running from the SUV moments earlier.

Salas and Thomas ran from police and ignored commands to stop, the spokesperson said. During the chase, officers allegedly saw Salas reach into his waistband, pull out a gun, and throw it against a building.

Officers arrested Salas after he slipped and fell while running on the 2700 block of N. Wilton. Thomas was caught on the same block.

Prosecutors charged Salas with felony aggravated unlawful use of a weapon, felony possession of a controlled substance, misdemeanor firearm possession, and misdemeanor criminal trespass to a vehicle.

Thomas, who lives in Uptown, is charged with misdemeanor criminal trespass to a vehicle.

They are both due in bond court on Friday.

Another woman robbed at North-Clybourn Red Line

A CTA Red Line passenger was robbed as she rode a train at the North-Clybourn station on March 26, police said. Another woman was robbed on the North Side station's platform March 24.

In the latest case, police said a 47-year-old woman was on a northbound train when a man robbed her of her purse while an accomplice stood by the train door around 12:34 a.m. When the woman dropped her phone during the mugging, the second man grabbed it and both offenders fled into the station, according to a CPD spokesperson.

The robbers were last seen running northbound on Dayton Street, the spokesperson said. They are described as two black males between 17- and 20-years-old. One wore a black hoodie and the other wore a flannel jacket with a ski mask, the victim said.

On Tuesday, a 26-year-old woman was robbed at knifepoint as she stood on the North-Clybourn CTA station platform around 7:15 p.m. A man approached the victim, displayed a knife, took her purse, and ran from the station, according to CPD's Office of News Affairs.

That robber is a black male who's about 30-years-old. He wore a black scarf on his face, stonewash jeans, a

black hoodie, and white shoes.

Area Central detectives are investigating both crimes.

Man calls cops on himself after Uptown robbery

A McHenry County man is facing burglary charges after he allegedly broke into an Uptown fast food restaurant and then called 911 to report his crime to police.

Nicholas Holiday, 28, is charged with felony burglary in connection with the incident.

Police said they responded to Sonic, 1022 W. Wilson, around 2 a.m. Feb. 23 to handle a burglar alarm and a 911 call that reported a burglary at the restaurant. When they arrived, Holiday was waiting for them.

Holiday told them he threw a brick through the drive-thru window, crawled inside, and opened a cash drawer with a key he found next to the register. But, after all of that effort, the cash drawer was empty.

So, he crawled back out of the restaurant and called 911 to report himself, he allegedly said. Police arrested him.

Felon charged with having three guns at Streeterville hotel party

A four-time convicted felon is charged with having three guns at a hotel room party in Streeterville March 23, police said.

Officers responded to the Residence Inn at 201 E. Walton after someone reported guns, drugs and "lots of females" in a room on the 15th floor around 2:30 a.m. And, the 911 caller said, the room was rented with a bogus credit card.

Police evicted about ten people from the room, but one of the partiers was not so lucky.

James Beecham, 28, of North Lawndale was taken into custody after police allegedly found three guns in the room.

Prosecutors charged him with being a felon in possession of a firearm and two felony counts of aggravated unlawful use of a weapon. He's due in bond court on Tuesday afternoon.

State records show Beecham was sentenced to four years in prison for being a felon in possession of a firearm in 2015. He previously received a four-year sentence for burglary and concurrent three-year terms for aggravated fleeing and aggravated DUI in 2011.

Woman mugged while walking along Lake Shore Dr.

Chicago police are investigating after a 52-year-old woman was mugged in Streeterville March 26. No arrests have been made.

The woman was on the 600 block of N. Lake Shore Dr. when a man got out of a vehicle and jumped her around 10:30 a.m., according to a CPD spokesperson.

According to the victim, the offender took her phone and returned to a white SUV that fled southbound on Lake Shore Dr.

Police did not have a description of the offender as of early afternoon.

Area Central detectives are investigating.

Teen charged with armed carjacking

A teenager is charged with the armed carjacking of a man in West Town March 23, according to Chicago police.

The victim called police after an offender displayed a handgun and took his 2008 Subaru on the 900 block of N. Noble around 2:05 a.m. Officers located the vehicle in traffic but lost it near Roosevelt Rd. and Albany Ave.

Later, cops again found the vehicle. This time, it was parked on the 3300 block of W. Walton in Humboldt Park.

Lakeview woman says duo threatened her with bat, stole her dog

Chicago police are investigating after a Lakeview woman said a man she knows swung a baseball bat at her while another woman stole one of her dogs Tuesday night.

The woman, 26, said she was walking two dogs in an alley on the 500 block of W. Addison at 10:18 p.m. when a dark-colored SUV pulled up. A man and a woman got out of the vehicle and the woman took one of the victim's dogs while the man swung the bat, CPD spokesperson Kellie Bartoli said.

Both offenders got back into their SUV with the 10-year-old miniature Doberman Pinscher and drove north on Pine Grove, according to Bartoli. The victim was not injured and no arrests have been made.

The woman quickly posted her version of events online. In the post, the alleged victim said she knows the man who swung the bat at her.

"He has harassed me since last summer, claiming I stole a dog that does not belong to him," she said, adding that the dog was a "neglected and malnourished" stray.

Officers set up surveillance on the car and watched as the 17-year-old male got into the vehicle, according to a CPD spokesperson.

The teen sped away in the car and collided with two parked vehicles as police approached, the spokesperson said. Cops arrested the driver and his 17-year-old female passenger at the crash scene.

Prosecutors charged the male with felony vehicular hijacking and felony aggravated fleeing. The female is charged with misdemeanor criminal trespass to vehicles. Authorities released no further information about accused the teens because the two are juveniles.

Gunman robs three convenience stores in 90 minutes

An armed man robbed three 7-Eleven stores in less than 90 minutes March 24, police said. The crime spree stretched from Lincoln Park to Logan Square to Little Italy, but no one is in custody.

The first hold-up unfolded at the convenience store chain's 957 W. Armitage location at 10:30 p.m. Police said a man entered the store, displayed a handgun, and demanded money from the register. A witness reportedly saw the offender run away southbound on Sheffield Ave.

Police on the scene, working from surveillance video, described the robber as a left-handed black male who's between 20- and 25-years-old. He's about 6' tall, 180 lbs, and he wore jeans, red underwear, and a black hoodie that has a white square or label on the back.

Then, at 11:15 p.m., a similarly-described man walked into the store at 2418 N. Milwaukee in Logan Square. He again displayed a handgun, demanded money from the register, and fled on foot.

Finally, the man carried out the same routine at a Little Italy 7-Eleven store, 1524 W. Taylor, at 11:49 p.m. This time, he also took two bottles of booze, according to police.

No injuries were reported. Detectives are investigating all three robberies.

New Felony charge filed against man who allegedly tried to abduct teen girl

A new felony charge has been filed against a man who allegedly grabbed a teenage girl and tried to take her into a Northwest Side alley last month – just weeks after prosecutors dropped murder charges that



Bear

The stolen pup responds to the name "Bear," and was last seen wearing pajamas with a pizza design, the woman wrote.

Police said the offenders' vehicle may be a Jeep Cherokee. Area North detectives are investigating.

he faced in connection with the 2012 strangulation death of a woman in an Edgewater alley.

We first reported on Joshua Holt on March 1.

Police arrested him the day before after a 17-year-old girl flagged down a passing cop and reported that he



Joshua Holt

grabbed her, said "come with me," and tried to lead away on the 6700 block of W. Higgins in the Norwood Park neighborhood.

He was arrested minutes later. But prosecutors only charged him with misdemeanor battery and he went home on a recognizance bond without ever appearing before a judge.

Back on Jan. 9, prosecutors dropped murder charges that Holt, 30, had been facing for allegedly strangling a 34-year-old prostitute in an alley behind 5625 N. Broadway on May 12, 2012.

Laboratory tests determined that DNA recovered from the woman's mouth, vagina, anus, and fingernails belonged to Holt, according to a CPD report. But the state dropped all charges because prosecutors believed their case was hampered by a 2017 Illinois Appellate Court ruling "that impacted the DNA evidence in this case," according to a spokesperson for the Cook County State's Attorney.

Now, a charge of felony unlawful restraint has been filed against Holt in connection with the Norwood Park incident, according to Chicago police. Cops arrested him Thursday at his home in north suburban Glenview.

A judge set his bail at \$40,000. Holt will need to post a \$4,000 deposit bond to go home before trial.

Weapons charge for man who claims friend fatally shot himself

Weapons charges have been filed against a man who called 911 March 26 and reported that his friend had shot himself in the head in a Rogers Park apartment. And new details released by the police department add a fresh layer of intrigue to the case.

Police arrested Garrett Young at an apartment on the 1300 block of W. Greenleaf around 1:45 a.m., about 15 minutes after Young summoned first responders to the apartment, claiming that a friend had shot himself.

Officers found Samuel Wiener, 24, unresponsive with a gunshot wound to his head and recovered a handgun nearby, according to a police report. Wiener was pronounced dead a short time later at St. Francis Hospital.

Detectives continue to investigate Wiener's death and the medical examiner is withholding a ruling on the case until police complete their investigation, according to records.

Young, 22, has not been charged with Wiener's death. Instead, prosecutors charged him in connection with an incident that allegedly unfolded minutes before Wiener was shot.

A 26-year-old woman who lives downstairs from where Wiener was found told police she went up to the apartment because she heard Young "arguing with another individual."



Garrett Young

Young displayed a handgun and threatened to shoot the woman, according to Officer Ronald Westbrook, a CPD spokesperson.

The woman told police about the incident when they arrived to investigate the shooting.

Prosecutors charged Young with misdemeanor counts of unlawful use of a weapon and aggravated assault. Bail information was not immediately available, but Young is not listed as a detainee in the county jail, which indicates that he is free on bond.

Young lists an address on the 1300 block of W. Greenleaf, but police would not confirm that he lived with Wiener.

Robbers now targeting convenience stores

While nearly all businesses are closed overnight during the COVID-19 crisis, most of Chicago's convenience stores are still operating 24/7. And the criminal element has noticed.

Detectives are warning Loop convenience stores about a series of early morning robberies of 7-Eleven franchises. Separately, one of the chain's Lincoln Park stores has been robbed three times in less than two weeks.

Area Central detectives warned downtown retailers March 29 after a Loop convenience store was targeted by robbers earlier in the day. It is at least the third hold-up that police have connected to a pattern in the usually active neighborhood.

In the latest case, two men entered the 7-Eleven at 35 E. Wacker and tried to rob the store at knifepoint around 3:50 a.m., police said. A store clerk managed to pepper-spray one of the offenders and both men fled the scene empty-handed.

Detectives described the robbers as two black men between 45- and 50-years-old. One is 5'-3" to 5'-5" tall and 140-150 lbs. He wore a green ski cap, gray sweatshirt, black sweatpants, and a maroon hoodie. The other is 5'-9" to 5'-11" and 160-170 lbs. He wore a blue jacket with blue jeans.

On Wednesday, a man pulled out a knife and robbed the 7-Eleven at 343 S. Dearborn at 5:17 a.m., police said. They described the offender as a black man who's between 30- and 35-years-old, 5'-9" to 5'-11" tall, and 190-200 lbs. He wore a black and blue jacket with a Chicago Bears ski cap, and dark blue jeans.

And at 1:45 a.m. on Mar. 9, a man

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Chase Park to get fix up

With contraction fencing now surrounding the fields, construction at Chase Park, 4701 N. Clark St., appears ready to get underway.

The fix up was first proposed several years ago, but funding was pulled at the last minute. Total cost for the project is estimated to be around \$3 million.

According to permits, construction is now supposed to begin April 15. The plan is to replace the grass in the center of the running track with artificial turf, much like the Wilson Field at Lake Shore Dr. The running track surrounding the field may be repaired or replaced as part of the upgrade.

Total will be funded by property taxes collected by the Clark St. Tax Increment Financing District.

POLICE BEAT *from p. 8*

and a woman threw hot coffee in a clerk's face and tried to grab his cash drawer at 180 N. Franklin location. An ambulance crew treated the victim for scald injuries.

Police described the offenders as a black male between 35- and 40-years-old who stands 5'11" to 6-foot tall and weighs 170-180 pounds. He wore a black and blue jacket with a dirty gray t-shirt. The man was accompanied by a white woman who's between 35- and 40-years-old. She's 5'-11" to 6' tall, has blonde hair, and wore dark clothing, police said.

Anyone with information about the robbery pattern can contact Area Central detectives at 312-747-8380 regarding case P20-1-108

A gunman robbed the 7-Eleven store at 2619 N. Clark around 1:45 a.m. March 29. It's the third time that location has been robbed since Mar. 13, according to police records.

The offender pulled out a gun, threatened to shoot the clerk, took the store's cash and fled southbound on Clark St. The gunman is a black

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male who wore a black mask, blue latex gloves, gray hoodie, black Adidas track pants with a stripe, brown shoes, and a white baseball cap.

The robbery details are similar to a series of three convenience store hold-ups that unfolded in under 90 minutes on March 24. But police have not publicly connected Sunday's heist with the earlier crimes.

According to police data, the Clark St. convenience store was robbed at 3:30 a.m. on March 14 and at 5 a.m. on March 13. No arrests have been made.

Boystown Jewel-Osco death is a homicide

The Cook County Medical Examiner has ruled the death of an alleged shoplifter who struggled with a security guard at a Lakeview grocery store late last year was a homicide.

Police allegedly found Eugenio Escriba Guzman, 55, unresponsive, handcuffed, and lying on a crate in the store's security office on the evening before Thanksgiving 2019. Minutes earlier, Guzman struggled with a security guard and other employees who tried to stop him for allegedly

stealing toiletries, according to police.

CPD officers began administering CPR, but fire department personnel later pronounced him dead at the store, 3531 N. Broadway.

Now, the medical examiner has determined that Guzman died from hypertensive cardiovascular disease with "stress due to physical restraint" and "methamphetamine toxicity" as

secondary causes. The manner of his death is homicide, the medical examiner said.

Guzman's family filed an eight count civil lawsuit against Jewel in December that seeks more than \$400,000 in damages.

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REAL ESTATE *from p. 5*

there are some re-listed homes with reduced prices.

Demand - After two consecutive years of a softening market, December, January and February showed a significant upturn indicating that demand was strengthening. Depending of course on the length and depth of the crisis, this demand combined with low inventories could help with a recovery when the situation stabilizes.

Interest Rates - Exceptionally low interest rates were a big factor in the December - February

turn around. Since that time rates have fluctuated wildly from three to four percent.

These numbers are just a snapshot of the past week. We still have a long way to go before we can get a reliable feel for where the real estate market is going. If there is a positive, it is that the market was rebounding before this crisis. High demand, favorable inventory levels and low interest rates could significantly help a rebound.

Inevitably, any rebound will be dependent on the length and depth of the crisis.

Lakeview Township Real Estate For Sale

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION ABS LOAN TRUST V Plaintiff, -v-

IRENE D. PIETRUCZYK AKA IRENE PIETRUCZYK, NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, HOLLYWOOD TOWERS CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants

18 CH 07521 5701 N. SHERIDAN RD., UNIT 6K CHICAGO, IL 60660

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2018 CH 10528 561 WEST ALDINE AVENUE UNIT 2 CHICAGO, IL 60657

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on May 7, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on April 21, 2020, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 561 WEST ALDINE AVENUE UNIT 2, CHICAGO, IL 60657 Property Index No. 14-21-312-048-1019 The real estate is improved with a condominium within low-rise with no garage. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/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. MCCALLA RAYMER LEIBERT PIERCE, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, One North Dearborn Street, Suite 1200, Chicago, IL, 60602. Tel No. (312) 346-9088. 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.tjisc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

MCCALLA RAYMER LEIBERT PIERCE, LLC 111 East Main Street DECATUR IL, 62523 217-422-1719 Fax #: 217-422-1754 E-Mail: pleadings@mccalla.com Attorney File No. 267327 Attorney ARDC No. 61256 Attorney Code. 61256 Case Number: 2018 CH 10528 TJSC#: 40-1549 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 2018 CH 10528

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION TCF NATIONAL BANK Plaintiff, -v-

EMILIO BAHENA, PAULINA BAHENA A/K/A PAULINA MARTINEZ, 6829-31 HAMILTON HOUSE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION D/B/A NORTH HAMILTON HOUSE CONDOMINIUMS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants

19 CH 05049 6831 N. HAMILTON AVENUE, UNIT 1W CHICAGO, IL 60645

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 21, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on April 22, 2020, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 6831 N. HAMILTON AVENUE, UNIT 1W, CHICAGO, IL 60645 Property Index No. 11-31-124-017-1001 The real estate is improved with a residential condominium. The judgment amount was \$77,349.50. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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For information, DAVID T. COHEN, COHEN DOVITZ MAKOWKA, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 10729 WEST 159TH STREET, Orland Park, IL, 60467 (708) 460-7711. 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.tjisc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

COHEN DOVITZ MAKOWKA, LLC 10729 WEST 159TH STREET Orland Park IL, 60467 708-460-7711 E-Mail: foreclosure@cdm.Legal Attorney Code. 61582 Case Number: 19 CH 05049 TJSC#: 40-496 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 2018 CH 10528

Real Estate For Sale

for that purpose.

Case # 19 CH 05049

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NEWREZ LLC, F/K/A NEW PENN FINANCIAL, LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING Plaintiff, -v-

TODD J. HEXT, 4616-20 NORTH KENMORE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, NORTHBROOK BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO LABE BANK Defendants

2019 CH 08251 4616 N. KENMORE AVE., #406 CHICAGO, IL 60640

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 29, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on May 1, 2020, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 4616 N. KENMORE AVE., #406, CHICAGO, IL 60640 Property Index No. 14-17-210-024-1020; 14-17-210-024-1041 The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$321,329.26. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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For information, JOHNSON, BLUMBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 230 W. Monroe Street, Suite #1125, Chicago, IL, 60606 (312) 541-9710. Please refer to file number 19-7198. 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.tjisc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

JOHNSON, BLUMBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC 230 W. Monroe Street, Suite #1125 Chicago IL, 60606 312-541-9710 E-Mail: ljpleadings@johnsonblumberg.com Attorney File No. 19-7198 Attorney Code. 40342 Case Number: 2019 CH 08251 TJSC#: 40-767 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 19 CH 08251

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for that purpose.

Case # 2019 CH 08251

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NEWREZ LLC, DBA SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING Plaintiff, -v-

RALF KIND; WATERFORD CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; AND JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.; Defendants,

19 CH 10708 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 29, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will on Thursday, April 23, 2020 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. 14-16-304-039-1027. Commonly known as 4170 North Marine Drive, 6C, CHICAGO, IL 60613. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Mr. Anthony Porto at Plaintiff's Attorney, Kluever & Platt, L.L.C., 150 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (312) 236-0077. SMS000064. INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com 13148050

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION TCF NATIONAL BANK; Plaintiff, -v-

RAMONA MUNOZ; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF JUANITA A. GRANT AKA JUANITA GRANT, DECEASED; TCF NATIONAL BANK FKA TCF BANK ILLINOIS FSB; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS; SUNNYCOURT CONDOMINIUM PARKING ASSOCIATION; THOMAS QUINN, A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF JUANITA A. GRANT AKA JUANITA GRANT, DECEASED; SUNNYCOURT I CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; Defendants,

19 CH 7227 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on Monday, April 20, 2020 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. 14-17-222-021-1028. Commonly known as 918 West Sunnyside Avenue, 1B, Chicago, IL 60640. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski, LLC, One East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611. 19-019350 F2 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com 13147798

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK N.A., AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE J.P. MORGAN ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2006-A3 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES Plaintiff, -v-

ELAINE KUROKAWA A/K/A ELAINE E. KUROKAWA, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants

19 CH 10615 644 W GRACE ST

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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 January 29, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on April 29, 2020, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 644 W GRACE ST, CHICAGO, IL 60613 Property Index No. 14-21-103-021-0000 The real estate is improved with a multi-family residence. The judgment amount was \$697,458.06.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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For information, LAW OFFICES OF IRA T. NEVEL, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 175 N. Franklin Street, Suite 201, CHICAGO, IL, 60606 (312) 357-1125 Please refer calls to the sales department. Please refer to file number 19-03980. 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.tjisc.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. 19-03980 Attorney Code. 18837 Case Number: 19 CH 10615 TJSC#: 40-641 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 19 CH 10615

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influential in Chicago, and Murray Bay, that magic piece of Quebec, Canada that meant so much to John. Peace now, talk later. We are heartbroken with you.

SERVICE CLUB: It has been announced that the Spring Lunch has been postponed. But "hang on to your hats," that comes from the chicest president in town, **Sherrill Bodine:** 312-220-9600.

BELLS WILL RING: Blase Cardinal Cupich says church bells throughout the Archdiocese will ring five times a day to lift the consciousness of prayer across the city and suburbs. Love it. It is an ancient custom, layered with a sense of connectedness. Hear the clang and gong. Think of those in need.

BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD: I'm told they are assisting their customers with the following: no copays if your doc thinks you should be tested for COVID-19. They have lifted the restrictions on early prescription refills. Your visit to the doc, along with tests and services (like hospitalization and ER) are all covered.

PAX TECUM: An intellectual. A man of books, art and refinement. A true Caxtonian. Cerebral, yet filled with humor and panache. A true Yankee.

Hayward Robert Blake, 94, born in West Haven, Connecticut, died of natural causes on March 13. Hayward met his wife, **Simone Louise Roussy,** in France during WWII while serving as a sergeant in the Signal Corps. He later studied design at the Cambridge School of Design and Illinois Institute of Design.

SCARY BUT GOOD: Pope Francis authorizes plenary indulgences and general absolution as Coronavirus crisis escalates. All sins forgiven, no questions asked. Haven't done this since the Crusades, I think. They take the long view.

ARIVADERCI: All the students at the

North American College in Rome have been sent back to the U.S. That's the seminary American bishops send their brightest students to for grooming. Another sign how bad things are in Italy. When they evacuated the city in World War II, they left two students behind who pretended to be Swiss.

PEACE: Terrence McNally, the brilliant dramatist and playwright, and friend to many has died. Although he struggled with other health issues, it was COVID-19 that ended his life. His works were groundbreaking and included *The Lisbon Traviata, Master Class, Love, Valor and Compassion* amongst many, many others. Sincere condolences to his husband, **Tom Kirdahy.**

NICE TOUCH: Happy to report that **Bobby McGuire (Butch's son)** feeds all their employees each day. And he turned his back bar room into a free grocery store for employees with staples and necessities that employees can pick up for free. Butch is smiling in heaven.

BOOKBEAT: Stephanie Leese Emerich is about to complete the first of her four-book series. All about the customer experience. Should be ready in May. She's also doing customer service podcasts. Invited back for a second episode, a repeat performance! Hosting customer service training from her business location she calls ServiceSpeaks Studio.

WHO'S WHERE: Nothing to report here, nobody is anywhere... everyone's at home trying to be creative.

WHO'S AT HOME: Brian White and Jim Kinney are dressing for cocktails and dinner like they're on the RMS Titanic leaving very little evidence of the filet and lobster dinner that followed martinis in the grand stem glassware... writer **Sherrill Bodine** and husband **John** have been creating little romantic nooks in their home where dinners can be enjoyed by candle-

light, fireplace, you get the picture... don't be surprised to read of this in an upcoming novel... Birthday bash in Italy sidelined, **Lynn DiPietro** celebrating 71 with a long walk and a home-cooked meal by hubby **Dan...** **Mark Olley** is making kettles of elegant soup which he claims is helping him clean out the freezer but it's all very grand looking... but socially, just before everything became dangerous, at Mon Ami Gabi for mussels, I bumped into **Josh and Ikram Goldman** and their boys who I know by the moniker, the Brothers Samurai. They are well-manner and sophisticated lads, I'd known them through photos I've seen of their exotic travels and reminded them I seemed to recall them dangling from the top of the Eiffel Tower or Big Ben... **Jennifer Sutton Brieva** was with hubby, **Joaquin,** trying to do the window sing-along but nobody in the 'hood was participating so they took it inside where Joaquin was cooking dinner for date night... **Maestro Stanley Paul** is still hunkered down in the Palm Springs desert of California with concerns for all but warmer temps.

LAUREN LEIN: The Urban Fairytale World Tour has been postponed until we are able to celebrate safely. The Monadnock Building remains open - however Lauren Lein will be in her studio there for your fashion emergencies only. Orders in process are still in process. New orders are always welcome.

OVER TIP: Support local Chicago restaurants during the lockdown by over-tipping by a substantial amount. For many Chicagoans eating out is a special occasion, but for those who live in the city eating out is just a natural part of life. **Meredith Heill,** who writes for Thrillist, recently had some interesting observation about what we can do. First, embrace the delivery lifestyle. Easy and fast. Order out and stay in. Second, order some vino or a cocktail. Helps the local economy and you can get a lovely

bottle of wine when you order delivery. Third, use the gift card system to help your favorite spot. Pay them now. You can eat there when we are back to normal. You're advancing cash. Fourth, buy some t-shirts or baseball hats from these businesses. Great way to pick up something useful and move the cash. Fifth, again - be a generous tipper. It does a lot to show appreciation on how important the business is to you.

TIDBIT: If you order something for dinner from Tortoise Club at Marina City on State St., don't be surprised if owner **Keene Addington,** or his wonderful wife, **Megan,** make your delivery. They're doing all of them.

THE DUCHIN STORY: Just in from **Sugar Rautbord.** She heard from **Colin Duchin,** son of society band leader, **Peter Duchin,** that his father has the Corona Virus. Still fighting it. Peter is the son of famed gilded society orchestra leader **Eddie Duchin.** The family has been brightening the social skies of America for a long time. I think Eddie was married to a member of the socially connected **W. Averell Harriman** family, hence the social entrée for the lyrical Duchin music style. Lets all send up a prayer.

Whenever you have an efficient government you have a dictatorship.
-- Harry S. Truman

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION REGIONS BANK DBA REGIONS MORTGAGE Plaintiff, -v- DAVID J. MOYLAN, KODIAK CAPITAL GROUP, LLC, THE 2016 CLEVELAND CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants 19 CH 04693 2016 N. CLEVELAND AVENUE, UNIT 1N 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 22, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on May 11, 2020, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 2016 N. CLEVELAND AVENUE, UNIT 1N, CHICAGO, IL 60614 Property Index No. 14-33-130-069-1001 The real estate is improved with a residential condominium. The judgment amount was \$433,411.28. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will en-

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title 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, HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 367867. 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 E-Mail: CookPleadings@hsbattys.com Attorney File No. 367867 Attorney Code. 40387 Case Number: 19 CH 04693 TJSC#: 40-512 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

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a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 19 CH 04693 13144779 010101 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; Plaintiff, vs. HAROLD L. JOHNS; OZ PARK GARDENS CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 19 CH 8874 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, April 29, 2020 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. 14-33-121-080-1078. Commonly known as 2036 N. Larrabee St. Apt. 8106, Chicago, IL 60614. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Ms. Kimberly S. Reid at Plaintiff's Attorney, Marinosci Law Group, PC, 134 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. (312) 940-8580. 19-07007 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com 13148548 252525

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NEW RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE, LLC Plaintiff, -v- DOMINIC BRUNETTI, 2000 NORTH LINCOLN PARK WEST PRIVATE RESIDENCES, A CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE BANK, N.A., UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 19 CH 10928 2000 NORTH LINCOLN PARK WEST, UNIT 1005 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 February 24, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on April 13, 2020, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 2000 NORTH LINCOLN PARK WEST, UNIT 1005, CHICAGO, IL 60614 Property Index No. 14-33-209-010-1102 The real estate is improved with a beige concrete hi-rise condominium with an attached parking garage. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/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 confirma-

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tices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 19 CH 10928 13148391 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; Plaintiff, vs. SERAFETTIN SERBEST; OLD TOWN VILLAGE WEST; Defendants 19 CH 9960 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 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. 17-04-302-055-1051. Commonly known as 663 West Division Street, Unit C, Chicago, IL 60610. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski, LLC, One East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611. 19-030784 F2 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com 13147843 181818

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But, once they check-in, the hotel guests cannot leave until the city gives them a clean bill of health, the spokesman confirmed. On-duty Chicago police officers and private guards will be securing the hotels, the spokesperson said.

Chicago Dept. of Public Health [CDPH] staff members will “try to convince” people who change their minds about staying at the hotel to remain at the facility, according to a source with knowledge of the hotel operations plan. But if those efforts fail, cops will be asked to step in.

Asked directly whether CPD officers might be called upon to physically prevent “guests” from leaving the hotels, the spokesperson simply said, “yes.”

“Ideally, individuals will comply following a warning as well as a conversation meant to educate individuals about the ramifications of breaking quarantine,” the spokesperson said.

But a Chicago cop last week told this reporter, “officers are concerned for several reasons. They are inside a location with confirmed infected people without any personal protective equipment [PPE] unless they need to go hands-on.”

The police department this month infamously gave its officers potentially ineffective hand sanitizer that hadn't been

manufactured in eight years to ward off the virus.

CPD spokesperson Howard Ludwig said the department, “is working to ensure all officers assigned to the hotels are equipped with PPE and utilize them whenever they're in close contact with individuals with COVID-19.”

But the cop had another concern: “Not complying with quarantine is only a Class A misdemeanor. The whole thing is a disaster waiting to happen because, at some point, an officer is gonna go hands-on [to keep a “guest” from leaving] and there is no way in hell the city will back them.”

Earlier this month, two Chicago cops with less than three years on the force were stripped of their police powers after one of them shot an apparently unarmed man as they tried to stop him for a simple ordinance violation — passing between two CTA train cars. Those two officers were reportedly assigned to the CTA transit detail by reverse seniority.

Cops assigned to hotel duties “will be selected at the discretion of the command staff,” Ludwig said March 26.

Neighborhood concerns

Ald. Brian Hopkins [2nd], whose ward includes some of the city's quarantine hotels, explained some aspects of the operating plan in an email to constituents.

ished the move, claiming it as fear mongering and xenophobic.

“To all our neighbors and friends, I want you to know that Chicago stands with you and will always fight to keep you safe. No amount of vitriol will make us think otherwise,” Lightfoot said.

Mayor Lightfoot also reiterated the grounds for which ICE is allowed to enter immigrants' homes and the boundary line between CPD and ICE. “Know that just because someone knocks at your door, you don't have to answer it. They need a warrant signed by a judge, nothing less.”

Many of the special agents being deployed to Chicago come with various backgrounds in immigration. In particular, agents previously assigned to Border Patrol Tactical Unit, CBP's elite tactical unit which has conducted missions in several countries alongside U.S. military personnel in Iraq, will be part of the deployment.

“While some of them are trained in tactical operations, these officers have also been trained in routine immigration enforcement actions which is what they have been asked to do,” stated Bansbach.

BORTAC typically conducts high-risk operations involving violent offenders involved with drugs and weapons, many who are now located in Chicago and other urban areas. The use of BORTAC in civil infractions is considered unusual as they are not permitted to forcibly enter properties to

“The self-containment protocol ensures that no person shall enter or exit the building without approval from CDPH under any circumstances,” Ald. Hopkins explained. “No medical care will be available at the hotel.”

Hopkins added that the city's agreement to use the newly-christened Hotel One Sixty-Six, 166 E. Superior, “ended

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with the union, inviting representatives of Unite Here Local 1 to a presentation and discussion about how the noise was adversely affecting sick and injured children, their families, and their health care providers.

According to Delgado, the presentation did have an impact on the noise. “The union in fact increased its noise levels... despite multiple requests from Lurie Hospital and demands from the city that the union reduce its noise levels.”

Neighbors said the cease-and-desist letter, delivered to a union representative in front of the Cambria by a Chicago Police Department supervisor, had an intermittent effect on the noise.

According to Mayor Lightfoot, more than 1,000 hotel rooms at multiple hotels will be available for people exposed to or mildly ill with COVID-19 and not in need

of hospital care. They will be quarantined in their hotel rooms and monitored by City of Chicago personnel, under the supervision of the Chicago Dept. of Public Health. Hotel workers will not directly interact with guests.

None of the hotel workers will come into contact with quarantined individuals, Hopkins said.

Mayor Lightfoot says the plan will “take the burden off of hospitals amid this unprecedented pandemic” and “create new revenue-generating capacity for local hotel operators, which have experienced revenue losses as fewer travelers have come into the city.”

According to Lightfoot, because of the strike settlement, “many of the hotel's employees will return to work with raises, healthcare, and no increase in workload for hotel housekeepers.”

The hotel changed its name in February. Hotel One Sixty-Six is owned by Fillmore Capital Partners, based in San Francisco.

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[CBP] public affairs officer, said they are deploying 100 officers and agents to “supplement ICE Enforcement Removal Operations in order to enhance the integrity of the immigration system, protect public safety, and strengthen our national security.”

Bansbach also provided an email statement from the Dept. of Homeland Security, justifying the need for special border patrol agents as the perceived crisis at the U.S. southern border increases. The statement cited more than 3.2 million non-detained cases in fiscal year 2019, up from 2.6 million in 2018.

“With 5,300 Enforcement and Removal Officers — some of whom were detailed to the border — ICE does not have sufficient resources to effectively manage the sustained increase in non-detained cases which is exacerbated by the rise of sanctuary jurisdictions,” according to the statement.

On March 18, however, ICE announced it would be adjusting its enforcement activities due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic by only pursuing enforcement on public safety risks and individuals subject to mandatory detention based on criminal grounds. All other regular ICE activity would be delayed until after the crisis, which at this time is unclear.

Despite federal immigration efforts escalating, Mayor Lori Lightfoot admon-

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make arrests. BORTAC will likely increase the number of agents on the ground locally but their direct involvement in hand-to-hand arrests is unclear.

Deploying special border patrol agents to sanctuary cities is one move among many since President Trump took office in an attempt to crackdown on illegal immigration.

There are many resources available to Chicago's immigrant communities to combat the uncertainties of potential deportation.

The deployment of special border patrol agents comes on the heels of another big immigration win for the Trump administration. As of Feb. 24, the inadmissibility on Public Charge Grounds rule goes into effect. This new policy expands the Immigration Act of 1882, broadening the terms

on which an immigrant could be considered primarily dependent on the government for assistance, categorized as a “public charge.” This new federal ruling only applies to immigrants applying for legal entry into the U.S., visas or green cards. Undocumented immigrants are typically ineligible for federal benefit programs.

Illinois and the city of Chicago have a history of passing immigrant friendly legislation and ordinances as a sanctuary city for more than 30 years. Undocumented people can access city services, will not be asked about their immigration status by city employees and the city prohibits city employees from enforcing federal immigration laws.

In December the Chicago City Council passed the Accountability on Communication and Transparency. The ordinance prevents CPD from sharing its databases related to civil immigration enforcement activities with ICE while also requiring CPD to document any requests made by federal immigration authorities for assistance.

Since Trump took office in 2016 immigration has been on the forefront of his administration's agenda, especially targeting sanctuary cities and their refusal to implement federal orders. The 2020 election cycle brings an air of uncertainty to what direction the country will go with its stance on immigration.



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