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Memorial Day Parade May 28

This year's Memorial Day Parade begins at noon Saturday, May 28, and steps off at State St., from Lake St. south to Van Buren St.

Before the parade, there will be a wreath-laying ceremony to honor those who have lost their lives in military missions which begins at 11 a.m. on Daley Plaza, at Dearborn and Washington streets. Every year, the Gold Star families, the parents, spouses, siblings and children who've lost a loved one, are gifted yellow roses. Wreath-laying is followed by

a 21-gun salute to honor the fallen heroes.

Chicago's Memorial Day Parade is the largest celebration of its kind in the country with thousands of people coming downtown to honor veterans and active duty military. There will be military marching bands, veteran groups, floats, and about 6,000 junior ROTC cadets taking part.

The day ends with fireworks at Navy Pier. Good locations to watch the fireworks include North Ave., Oak and Ohio street beaches.

## Owner of 130-year-old Edgewater church withdraws demolition application

On May 17, the recent buyer and new owner of Edgewater's Epworth Church - Steve Ciaccio of LS 5251, LLC - withdrew a demolition permit application intended for a historical Edgewater church campus slated for redevelopment.

The owners' demolition firm - Heneghan Wrecking & Excavating Co., Inc. - had filed for a demolition permit on May 12 for the two-story stone church at 5253 N. Kenmore Ave., and has withdrawn that application after Ald. Harry Osterman [48th] sought to undertake an expedited landmark status process.

"I have been in conversation with [the owners, Steve Ciaccio of LS 5251, LLC]. They had indicated that their goal is an adaptive reuse of this building," said Ald. Osterman. But then the alderman found out that they had filed a demolition permit to demolish the building, "going against what they had previously told me. I have initiated the process to landmark Epworth Church, with the Department of Planning and Development Landmark Division, to ensure that it will never be



Epworth United Methodist Church, 5253 N. Kenmore Ave.

Photo courtesy of Ward Miller / Preservation Chicago

demolished."

And since then the demolition license application was withdrawn.

"Regardless of the group's withdrawal of the permit, I am still going to pursue and push through the landmarking process to preserve the Epworth Church Building. I will continue to update the community on a landmarking process that will occur over the summer, and there will be a public meeting

where I will welcome your feedback."

Due to the old stone church's orange-rating, after applying for the demolition permit, the new owners would have had to wait through a 90-day review period before any demolition could be undertaken.

The alderman said he is deeply committed to preserving the

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## Sale of former Northtown Library building

The Chicago Dept. of Planning and Development is seeking a buyer for the old Northtown Library building at 6435 N. California. And now three potential buyers have made offers on the property.

The organizations are now engaged in multiple rounds of bidding, and each has submitted its final and highest offer. The current highest bid belongs to a local refugee relief agency, Forging Opportunities for Refugees in America [FORA], for \$962,786.

FORA is currently located right next door to the property at 6431 N. California. The agency works to help refugee families receive a quality education and prepare them to become economically self-sufficient and engaged in

American life.

If approved, they would be responsible for fixing up the building and returning it to a productive use.

Competing bids were made by Chinese Mutual Aid Association and Yachad Chicago.

"All three organizations provide vital services to our community and would be fine additions to the neighborhood," said Ald. Debra Silverstein [50th]. "FORA's proposal is expected to be discussed at the next meeting of the Chicago Plan Commission, to be held on Thursday, June 16. I will update [the community] with more information on the public comment process when the meeting agenda is posted."

## Police looking for the Rogers Park flasher

The police have issued a second community alert with more information about a creep who is exposing himself to young women and girl victims on the Far North Side.

Many of these incidents have happened at school bus stops while children are coming home.

The man is described as a tall and lanky male with light or light brown complexion, unknown race, wearing blue pants and a dark hooded sweatshirt and a face mask.

Confirmed incidents have happened on the 6400 block of N. Sacramento - April 2 at approximately 3:15 p.m.; the 6600 block of N. Richmond - April 2 at ap-

proximately 3:30 p.m.; the 6600 block of N. Sacramento - April 2 at approximately 3:30 p.m., and on the 2600 block of W. Pratt - May 1 at approximately 4 p.m.

Law enforcement is working hard to catch the creep, but it is important for residents to cooperate with the police. Those who may see something, should report it to the police, by contacting the Area 3 Bureau of Detectives at 312-744-8261.

City officials are asking for parents to cooperate, suggesting they meet children at their bus stop—or designate a block adult—until the offender is caught. Another step would be positive loitering on neighborhood streets.

## Connected housing firm's clout won't fix the heat

### Families filing suit against Hispanic Housing Development Corp.

Hispanic Housing Development Corp. [HHD], the developer of the James Sneider Apartments senior living facility in Rogers Park, has repeatedly violated the city's heat ordinance, which is the same measure employees cited when they allegedly left the heat on, and refused to turn on the air conditioning, during a hot spell that caused the death of three women on May 14.

City Building Dept. records show 15 properties owned by the nonprofit HHD have been cited for at least 107 building code violations since 1996. That includes violations for mold, bedbugs and other insects, inadequate hot water and issues related to elevators.

Built with help of nearly \$6 million in taxpayer-funded city loans, the apartments at 7450 N. Rogers Ave. in Rogers Park are part of the large portfolio owned by HHD. They are major developers of affordable housing projects, and manager of many city-owned senior homes.

And now, Ald. Maria Hadden [49th] says she believes that poor decision-making contributed to

the deaths of Janice Reed, 68, Gwendolyn Osborne, 72, and Dolores McNeely, 76, who were all found unresponsive in over-heated rooms during a 12-hour period.

Autopsies determining the cause and manner of their deaths are pending, but friends, fam-

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ily, neighbors and emergency personal point to the heat as the probable cause of death. Hadden says a manager at the building referred to the city's heat ordinance after hearing complaints from tenants about why the heat was on and why the air conditioning was turned off.

On Tuesday, after our deadline, two of the victims' families held a press conference to talk about their pending lawsuits against the owner and manager of the James Sneider Apartments for keeping the heat on despite high temperatures.

The family of Janice Reed has filed a lawsuit against HHD for leaving the heat on, despite the 90-degree temperatures outside.

Hadden told the Sun-Times that the "facilities manager ended up telling me that the city says they have to provide heat through June 1 [and] they don't want to get cited for not providing heat. They anticipated colder weather soon, so they were distributing fans but they also told me they still had the heat running."

And prior to this year, it wasn't really a problem, and turning on building air conditioning in May has not been a challenge. Chicago on average does not have many May days above 90 degrees.

None of the 107 code violations were found at the James Sneider Apartments, but eight relate to a city ordinance that requires rental properties be at least 66 degrees during overnight hours and 68 degrees during the day from Sept. 15 to June 1.

The violations of the city's heat ordinance include one on Jan. 8, 2014 — when temperatures dove three degrees below zero and 11" of snow fell, outside at the North and Talman Family Apartments

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# Having your cake and good judgment too



By Thomas J. O’Gorman

I just had a birthday. Don’t remind me.

Most birthdays are quiet moments for me. At least through the 1950s and 60s. For which I am grateful.

And it has been, ever thus. I never particularly looked for extreme celebrations for my birthday. Even in childhood.

Birthday parties for children were just never my groove, they were never my thing. For me or for others.

Maybe it’s because they tended to center on too many divergent food groups. Neighborhood friends. School chums. Relatives in my cousin-enriched family. I always thought such events were a bit stilted.

And while one group of guests was great, mixing them up was lunacy, I thought. Like a social Tower of Babel. Events incomprehensible. No one listening.

I’m not sure how I ever felt about the whole cake and ice cream thing. The cakes were always tops. The bakery best. Even a little decorative butter cream.

But the ritual of eating it with others, with the ice cream, served by wacky adults, never quite got me there. The payoff of the large adolescent birthday bash just always seemed wanting. It was supposed to be fun and exciting. But I never really found it very promising.

Most of all I disliked being in other people’s houses I wasn’t related to. I honestly always felt ill at ease. A bit creepy.

Then there was the root beer. It was often the beverage of choice.

Easily mixed with nearby ice cream to make a magic black cow. Children certainly ingested a load of sugar.

Perhaps that’s why I disliked singing the tune, “Happy Birthday.” I found this portion of events intolerable. I always thought it an ill-placed moment of embarrassment for all involved. The birthday child and the birthday guest.

Being the birthday child appears crazed. And then there was no predicting the outcome of the song. With sentiments often obscured by the comedy of embellished lyrics or musical adaptations of tempo and volume.

We were certainly juiced up beyond limits on sugar. Perhaps that’s why I never remember a birthday party actually coming to an end.

Did kids just decide it was time to go?

Did parents just turn party guests out on the street? Birthday parties were never very far from home back in the Eisenhower era.

I suspect my birthday reverie this year is all caught up trying better to understand the process of aging. It’s so much more than the sum of all the birthday invitations received in life over the decades.

Maybe that’s why I still try to remain healthy and happy in the face of unending birthdays. Now beyond the limits of embarrassing social conflicts or adolescent social confusion. You know, beyond the edge of measurable understanding. The full fling in the universe of intellectual certainty. What I like to call the realm of the donut.

The realm of the donut for me is the constricting coagulation of positive data, so fresh and accomplished, that continues to engulf rational sensibilities and confidence. The opening of a liberality of thought that is both safe and realistic.

The donut world opens and expands the highways before us. Like a tow truck on I-90.



1950s children’s party.

I often wondered if childhood birthday parties actually got us zoomed up for larger issues we might see or engage in later life?

Do we carry the ability to engage others or the ability to charm them because we perfected the details over time on the birthday circuit?

I’ve always been self-conscious of certain singular moments. Those short bursts of life in which we trigger and respond to the ever unfolding dynamic of life with the human touch. The soft embrace of what’s real. Like kisses in a Shakespearean play. Necessary. Directions to the characters about staying convincing. Human. Emotion-filled.

Looking ahead, I think we’re really going to need it.

The politics of our times are demanding something from each of us in Chicago. We all need to examine and challenge the terrible daily political failures and misjudgments that even now threaten life.

We have to embrace the harsh realities that we face. Give ourselves permission to construct solutions to our urban crisis of violence and crime.

We need to strengthen the safety of Chicago living. Stop the spiraling of the city into chaos and further ineffective leadership.

We need a tough leader with intelligence and vision. Some seasoned political personality who can articulate a plan of re-con-

struction of confidence in making Chicago safe and clean and enjoyable, again.

Growing up, birthday party invitations were never, necessarily, what they seemed. A surface opportunity to celebrate the passing of another year for a friend, of course, but also, the last minute chance to understand how easily our way of life can be so misjudged. But we can be enlivened to turn things around. Such mingling strengthens the chance to compare the evidence that deepens our commitment to government of good judgment. Urban rule safe from violence, mayhem and murder.

Of course, life was less complicated back in the era of 1950s childhood birthday soirees. Brace yourself. We all need some thicker skins. And maybe some less potent courtesies. This isn’t “pin the tail on the donkey.”

**GANGS OF TROUBLE:** Recent impromptu social media networking overwhelmed the lakefront with a youth assemblage shaking many famed lakefront residents, and bringing curfews to our shores.

Teen guests were told to make sure they brought their own liquor and drugs for North Avenue Beach. It was a “Normandy Landing” for thugs and gang folk.

The Bean, our Cloud Gate, and Michigan Ave. are the new Ultimate Fighting rings. Most of the real details never get told.

More shootings and another death at **Anish Kapoor’s** signature Chicago sculpture fast becoming a totem to urban death and a monument to the loss of Grant Park to gangs.

Not what the remarkable sculptor signed up for with his public art.

Now new restrictions aim to keep underage people out of Millennium Park at night. One more piece of local geography, a tourist destination, out of the hands of law enforcement. Early curfew and no unaccompanied minors to Water Tower Place or Navy Pier.

Police did manage to make it to both scenes to disassemble the gathered youth. Problem then was sifting through the thousands of good kids to find the hundred bad ones.

Videos from our various mob scenes display careful riots in progress with local residents terrified. Videotaping a mob siege is the new hot.

When one young lady removed her top to let the gentlemen grope her atop an automobile, the film ratings got dangerous, and her mother turned her head away from the TV screen.

Later, another mother buried a teenage son.

What kind of summer is this predicting?

With an election in the offing, our failed mayor and deadbeat aldermen should be all shaking in their flip flops - flipping from “defund the police,” to a flopping “call the police!”

We all remember those who blamed the cops in 2020... who could forget?

**GRAND SLAM:** The Cub’s **Willson Contreras** hit his 100th

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# Making beautiful music in Millennium Park

Plus, Frenchie love  
and Rogers Park pageantry



## Heart of the 'Hood by Felicia Dechter

Eighteen-year-old Aidan Chung never thought he'd be singing in a choir.

The Walter Payton College Prep senior said although he has always loved music, his younger, pre-teen self strongly believed that there was a stigma attached to being a young man in the performing arts. It just wasn't a manly, macho thing to do. "So I was really, really against it," recalled Chung. "Chicago Children's Choir [CCC] shifted my perspective.

"Everybody belongs," said Chung, who lives on the Gold Coast. "You can do amazing things and do incredible change. The impact that the choir has goes far beyond being a choir. It's so much more."

It was seven years ago that a then sixth-grade Chung joined CCC after his mom, Jennifer, pushed him to audition. A lot has changed for the young tenor since then.

On Thursday, Chung will be one of thousands of the city's youth participating in CCC's Paint the Town Red, a signature concert making its grand return to Millennium Park for the first time since 2019.

The free, citywide event celebrating unity and the power of young people "to bring beauty to our world," will be held at

11 a.m. Thursday at the Pritzker Pavilion, 201 E. Randolph St.

The event culminates CCC's 65th anniversary season, celebrating its storied history and inspiring mission of changing lives through music. As part of the celebration, frequent CCC collaborator and Grammy Award-winning producer and artist, Peter CottonTale, will join the choir to perform "Together," CottonTale's original song that was featured in Google's 2020 Year in Search video, which went viral with more than 230 million views and was performed on "The Late Show with Stephen Colbert," on Inauguration Night 2021.

Also on hand will be acclaimed opera singer Jonathan Green, Eurovision star vocalist Vasil Garvanliev, the locally-based JuJu Exchange, and more. You'll hear a diverse repertoire of songs from the Civil Rights movement, Gospel, classical, Latinx, Hebrew, South African, and other backgrounds, including Korean, which is Chung's nationality.

In rehearsals, while practicing the traditional Korean folk song, "Arirang," Chung said he helped people with word pronunciation and "taught them how to sing the song that my grandparents sang to me."

Although this is Chung's seventh year in the choir, it's his fifth year in Voice of Chicago [VOC], a CCC ensemble of mainly high school kids. Traditionally, in non-COVID years, they tour internationally and additionally, they also perform 20 to 25 performances per season, said Chung, who has previously been to Spain with VOC and will head to Egypt this summer with the group before starting his freshman



Gold Coaster Aidan Chung will perform in the Chicago Children's Choir's Paint the Town Red concert on Thursday in Millennium Park.

year at Northwestern Univ. in the Fall.

Meanwhile, Chung said the Paint the Town Red concert is his favorite "Because it brings 5,000 Chicago Children's Choir singers together and you get to see the mission."

"We connect with people all over the city and have a space to do something at the highest level," said Chung, who started playing piano at around five or six and is now a classically-trained pianist. "It gives perspective, confidence and is truly life-changing. For kids growing up there's so much expectation and judgment, being a part of something really good gives you confidence."

It has given Chung so much confidence, in fact, that what once might have seemed embarrassing or a stigma to him is no longer. His mom Jennifer now invites anybody who wants to come.

"Historically I've been a stickler with who came -- still struggling with that image," said Chung. "But now, for the first time I've invited all my friends -- high school seniors. Anybody can come. Any grade level," said Chung. "There'll be music from all around the world -- all different genres. I want to see kids in the crowd sing along, the energy will be electric, it spreads joy and is really inspiring and always a party."

"The Chicago Children's Choir has been an incredibly life-changing experience for me and everyone in the choir," said Chung. "I'm so excited for Millennium Park."

**Frenchie kisses...** the Chicago French Bulldog Rescue held the cutest fundraiser, Pup Prom, last week at Rizzo's Bar and Inn, 3658 N. Clark St., in Wrigleyville. The winning Frenchies were so darn adorable we just had to give them some pup-licity!

The event was a major success, according to the rescue organization's fundraising chair, Wendy Elstien. Approximately 180 people attended, including US Rep. Mike Quigley, who is an advocate and supporter. And he now has a foster named after him ("Quigley"). And John Vincent, the Chicago Cubs' anthem singer, was the lucky guy who got to crown pup prom's King Dobby and Queen Mirabelle.

The Chicago French Bulldog Rescue

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# Listing desert in North Side resale home market



by Don DeBat

## The Home Front

A shortage of for-sale existing homes is creating a listing desert on Chicago's North Side this spring, analysts say.

Historically low inventory levels in April were responsible for a drop in home sales and units under contract for the second consecutive month, reported Baird & Warner's "May 2022 Market Analysis" which focuses on four key neighborhoods—the Near North Side, Lincoln Park, Lakeview and North Center.

"Unlike other downturns that we have experienced in the past, there are plenty of buyers out there, but not nearly enough existing homes for sale to meet the demand," noted John Irwin, veteran broker with Baird & Warner.

In April, home sales dropped 4.9% compared with the same month in 2021, and units that went under contract in April plummeted 16% compared with last year, the market analysis reported. "This will, in all probability, lead to a third consecutive month

of decreases in May," Irwin predicted.

The North Side continued its dramatic inventory slide with a 37% decrease in the number of homes listed for sale in April 2022 compared with the same month in 2021.

Meanwhile, home resale prices rose 5.4% in April 2022, compared with April a year ago, and market times have dropped 34% during that same time period.

### Mortgage rates ease

Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey reported on May 19 that benchmark 30-year fixed home loan rates nationwide averaged 5.25%, down slightly from 5.30% a week earlier. Last year at this time, the 30-year fixed loans averaged 3%.

Fifteen-year fixed rate loans rose to an average of 4.43%, down slightly from 4.48% a week earlier. A year ago, the average 15-year fixed mortgage averaged 2.29%. "Economic uncertainty is causing mortgage rate volatility," said Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's chief economist. "As a result, purchase demand is waning, and home-builder sentiment has dropped to the lowest level in nearly two years. Builders are also dealing with rising costs, meaning this posture is likely to continue."

### Prices inching higher

Home prices on the North Side already appear to be impacted by higher interest rates.

While median sale prices in the four surveyed North Side neighborhood in April rose 5.4%, compared with a year ago, there was some slippage in on the Near North Side, according to Baird & Warner:



The median home prices on the Near North Side and Gold Coast were flat, while units priced under \$500,000 slipped 3.8%. On the sales side, those areas were cool. While there are plenty of buyers out there, there are not enough existing homes for sale.

- Near North. Median home prices were flat, while units priced under \$500,000 slipped 3.8%. On the sales side, the Near North area was cool.
- Lincoln Park. Over-all median prices in the neighborhood rose 4.2% in April. However, there was no change in homes in the upscale price range of \$500,000 to \$1-million.
- Lakeview. Median prices skyrocketed 12.4% in April. However, prices on luxury homes rose only 0.9% in the \$1-million to \$2-million bracket.

- North Center. Median prices in this neighborhood, which includes the hot St. Ben's area, rose 5.6% in April. The median price of homes priced at more than \$2-million in North Center rose only 1.9%.

### Crystal-ball gazing

"COVID, inflation, soaring interest rates, supply chain issues, rising crime, and city financial issues are just some of the unresolved problems that the city faces," Irwin noted.

"Some analysts believe that

there will be a quick recovery, while others say we are headed for recession," he said. "May will be a key month. Families looking to change school districts historically start shopping for new homes and listing their existing residences for sale in May and June."

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

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## Mars Wrigley expansion on Goose Island approved

BY LUKAS KUGLER  
*Urbanizechicago.city*

On May 11, the City Council approved plans by Mars Wrigley for a new pilot plant on their Goose Island campus. Located at the northern tip of Goose Island, just south of North Ave., the Mars Wrigley campus is bound by W. Blackhawk St. to the south and N. Cherry Ave. to the east. The Morton Salt redevelopment is located almost directly across the river to the west.

With a design by CRB Group, the new facility will be a one-story building spanning 45,000 square feet. Placed directly south of the current pilot plant, the 30-foot-tall building has been designed to match the existing buildings on campus, using precast concrete and metal panels in a similar color to the existing plant.

The program of the building is intended to test and assemble new products, augmenting the services



Mars Wrigley expansion.

Image courtesy CRB Group

already performed in the existing plant. Some of the spaces include receiving, ingredient processing, a test kitchen, tech development, barline, and storage. Employees will enter at the western side of the building in an outcropping that will hold locker rooms as well as a break room space. This

portion of the building will be clad in glass curtain wall to allow for increased light exposure for employees.

Since the new building will replace existing surface parking, Mars Wrigley has acquired the parking lot to the east of N. Cherry Ave. and this approval will incorporate it into the campus. Defunct railroad tracks along the parking lot will be replaced with a dedicated bike and pedestrian path.

The development will include new trees planted around the campus and new bike parking. Construction on the \$40 million project is expected to begin in June 2022 and complete one year later in June 2023.

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# Gunman, accomplice handed off gun, swapped clothes after mass shooting near Mag Mile

BY CWBCHICAGO

A Cook County judge ordered two men held without bail Sunday in connection with the May 19 mass shooting outside the Chicago-State Red Line CTA station that left two men dead and seven other people injured.

Prosecutors said Jaylun Sanders, 21, sprayed bursts of automatic gunfire at a group of people from the mouth of the train station's entrance nearly an hour after an earlier incident between the victims and a group Sanders was hanging out with. Sanders was on bail for a pending felony gun case at the time of the shooting.

After the shooting, Kameron Abram, 20, allegedly took Sanders' gun and changed sweatshirts with Sanders as they fled into the Red Line station.

**An earlier clash**

About 45 minutes before the shooting, police responded to another incident in the immediate area after Sanders' group clashed with another group of people, Assistant State's Attorney James Murphy said.

A shot was fired during that confrontation and police chased a man whom they saw running from the scene with a gun in his hand. Officers, guided by a witness, found a loaded handgun jammed with a shell casing lying under a mailbox at 7 E. Pearson.

Sanders later told police that the incident was the reason he "had a problem with" the mass shooting victims, Murphy said.

About 20 minutes after the initial incident, video cameras recorded Sanders raising part of his hoodie to cover his lower face and taking a gun from another man, Murphy said. Sanders put the gun

in his waistband and remained in the area for another 20 minutes, according to Murphy.

**The shooting**

At 10:41 p.m., video shows Sanders' walking west from the McDonald's at 10 E. Chicago with the second group walking several feet behind him, Murphy said.



Kameron Abram and Jaylun Sanders



No one in the second group had a gun, reached for a gun, or even had their hands in their pockets, according to Murphy.

Standing at the top of the CTA station's northeast entrance, Sanders pulled the gun from his waistband and fired short bursts of au-

tomatic gunfire from a specially equipped pistol, Murphy said. Sanders aimed at various people and placed his spare hand over the top of his firing arm to steady it from the powerful recoil of the automatic weapon.

Police later found 21 shell casings at the scene. Two men, 31-year-old Anthony Allen and Antonio Wade, 30, were killed. Seven others were injured, including a man who remains in critical condition.

CTA surveillance video allegedly shows Sanders handing the gun to Abram as they fled into the station with their group. The two men swapped sweatshirts, but Sanders eventually returned to his original hoodie because Abram's was too small, Murphy said.

"They weren't doing it just to see what each other's clothing felt like," Murphy told Judge Susana Ortiz.

Sanders' group jumped onto the Red Line tracks and crossed to the other platform, but his girlfriend fell onto the electrified third rail as they did, Murphy said. She remained on the rail until someone pulled her off. On Friday, authorities said a woman who contacted the third rail suffered burns, but survived.

Police, guided by CPD surveillance camera operators, arrested Sanders in the tunnel and Abram was arrested on the platform. A CPD canine found the gun Sanders used in the train tunnel, Murphy said.

Sanders admitted to firing the gun, but claimed the other group shot first, Murphy continued. When confronted with video evidence that showed the victims did not have guns, Sanders allegedly said they were "reaching" for weapons and he had to do it.

Murphy said Sanders told in-

**Crime reports at new highs; police staffing at five-year-lows across downtown and North Side**

As summer arrives, two sets of numbers this newspaper follows may paint a picture of what lies ahead for Chicago's downtown, Near North and North Side neighborhoods.

One set is the Chicago Police Department's internal Comp-Stat reports. They show that major crime incidents in those areas are at the highest level in years.

The other set, from the

Chicago Office of the Inspector General, shows that every police district in the area is at their lowest staffing levels since at least Aug. 2017.

The bottom line is that from 31st St. to the northern city limits and from Lake Michigan to the Chicago River, crime is way up and police resources are way down. The numbers

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vestigators he got the gun in Indiana and said the after-market switch that allowed it to generate automatic gunfire is sold on the street for \$20 or \$25.

An assistant public defender argued against holding Abram without bail because he did not present a danger to the community.

"I think the nine people would disagree with that," Murphy countered. "Two of them which can't say anything."

Ortiz, the judge, granted the state's request to hold both men without bail. She also ordered Sanders held without bail for

violating the terms of bond in his already-pending felony gun case.

Sanders is the 20th person charged with killing or shooting — or trying to shoot or kill — someone in Chicago this year while awaiting trial for a felony. The alleged crimes involve at least 49 victims, 11 of whom died.

Court records show Sanders has a pending felony unlawful use of a weapon case that began when police arrested him during a traffic stop on the 1000 block of W. 95th St. on Nov. 15, 2020.

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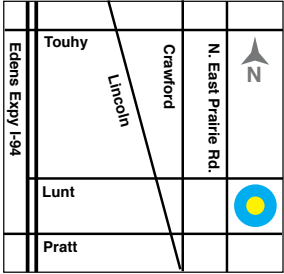


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Letters to the Editor

No, No Casino

You can't have a casino when you have all this violence. It's not safe on CTA trains or walking around, you can be robbed or beaten up. The North Side got out of control when Mayor Lightfoot took office. I feel she doesn't care if businesses have closed or moved away to somewhere safe. Her number one priority should be getting rid of all the crime. Put the casinos in before the city is safe and it will just be another place for the

criminal element to target. Once the city is cleaned up then we can talk about casinos. I still love this city. All you people out there who love Chicago, if in 2023 Mayor Lightfoot runs again, don't vote for her. Remember how the city was prior to her election win? Not a lot of violence. Now under her watch it seems like no place in the city is safe.

Judy Justin  
Near North Side

Should I stay or should I go?

While I appreciate the importance of properly funding our police and fire pensions, I question the decision to force a single neighborhood to subsidize what is the entire city's obligation. Imagine, Mayor Lightfoot, that you were an ordinary citizen who had purchased a beautiful, million-dollar apartment with a view to a peaceful stretch of the Chicago River in a quiet residential neighborhood. Then suddenly the mayor of your city decides unilaterally to permit an enormous casino to be built a few hundred feet away. How would that make you feel, knowing that would be your world from now on? The blinding lights, the noise, the greasy

exhaust from umpteen restaurants in a 24/7 entertainment complex, not to mention considerably worse traffic on your neighborhood streets. What would you do? Would you stay and just draw the curtains every day to block the view? Or would you try to sell your apartment? But who on earth would buy it? This decision will render these apartments unsellable, all because the administration lacks the creativity and political courage to find a fair and equitable way to fund the public safety pension obligations.

David Schabes  
River North



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City to restart water meter installation

After a three-year pause, the City of Chicago will once again start installing water meters in homes that request them. The City claims they will be taking precautions to try to make sure these installation do not increase lead levels in drinking water. For those who want a meter, you can add your name to the waitlist by visiting [www.metersave.org](http://www.metersave.org). Nationwide, Chicago pres-

ently has one of the worst problems of any urban area with lead pipes, and those pipes leaching lead into the drinking water. A study conducted by the Dept. of Water Management shows that the best way to prevent lead is to properly flush your pipes. From now on, meter installation will include mandatory flushing performed by the contractor—not the homeowner. The City will also perform continued water testing after meter installation. The study also found that lead

is most prevalent in homes with low amounts of water usage. If the water in your home has not been used for six hours, you should run your cold water for 15-30 seconds before usage. This applies to any home with lead pipes, regardless of whether you have had a meter installed recently. Any home in Chicago can request a free water lead test kit. To request your kit, call 311 for assistance.

Keep your family safe from dangerous E. coli

While many animals—including humans—have harmless strains of E. coli living inside their gastrointestinal tracts, a dangerous form that often makes headlines is E. coli 0157, which can cause serious illness in people. Although E. coli 0157 outbreaks are usually caused by contaminated vegetables, meats, or other foods, these bacteria can also be spread by live animals. Practicing good hygiene around animals is one of the best ways to prevent an E. coli infection, according to Pam Douglas, infection prevention coordinator at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences' Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital. "Animals like cows, goats, sheep, and deer can carry E. coli in their stomachs and shed the germs in their feces," Douglas said. "The germs can live on their skin or fur and in the areas where they live or are housed."

chance it can spread the bacteria. "People can get E. coli when they touch an infected animal or a contaminated surface and then their mouths," Douglas said. "The

**Although E. coli 0157 outbreaks are usually caused by contaminated vegetables, meats, or other foods, these bacteria can also be spread by live animals.**

after removing shoes and clothes that have been worn around animals or their environments. "Other ways to stay healthy include not eating, drinking, or preparing food around animals, as well as cleaning the areas where animals have been," Douglas said. If an owner notices that their animal has diarrhea or is otherwise concerned that it might be carrying E. coli, they should seek advice and/or treatment from a veterinarian. Douglas also recommends visiting the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's website on E. Coli for more information. As long as proper precautions are taken, there should not be any danger from interacting with animals that could potentially be carrying E. coli. Like many germs, this one can be easily defeated simply by washing your hands.

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Police said they found a loaded 9-millimeter in Sanders' hoodie pocket during the stop. He told officers he found the gun three days earlier and it was the first day he had carried it in public, prosecutors said at the time. Judge John Lyke allowed Sanders to go home upon posting of a \$200 deposit toward his \$2,000 bail, records show. Sanders stopped showing up for his court dates last October and Judge Adrienne Davis issued a warrant for his arrest on Nov. 29. That warrant was still active at the time of the mass shooting, according to court records. Prosecutors said during Sanders' Nov. 2020 bail hearing that he had no "publishable" history.

CPD and court records show he was charged with misdemeanor aggravated assault of a teacher or school employee on May 22, 2019. Four days earlier, he was arrested and charged with misdemeanor possession of 30 to 100 grams of cannabis. Officials dropped both cases the next month. In his mugshots for those two arrests, Sanders is seen wearing a bright red hoodie with a large "GLOCK" logo emblazoned across its chest. He is now charged with two counts of first-degree murder, seven counts of attempted first-degree murder, and aggravated unlawful use of a weapon in connection with the mass shooting. Abram is charged with felony unlawful use of a weapon.



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# Lincoln Park mansion built for Titanic survivor for sale

**Home divided  
into two units,  
listed for \$7.65 million  
and \$5.65 million**

A landmark Lincoln Park townhouse built for a survivor of the Titanic is now for sale in two separate listings, the first for \$7.65 million and \$5.65 million of the second unit.

Titanic survivor Emily Ryerson commissioned architects Henry Corwith Dangler and David Adler to build the home at 2700 N. Lakeview. It was completed in 1917 and was originally one residence. Currently the property is split into two homes, and each of them are now for sale.

The home was built as part of a group of four Georgian-style homes. They were built for a group of friends including Ryerson, and were named landmarks in 2016.

"Unit one is a lot more historic. We have a lot of original molding, original staircase, original stairs," Leigh-Anne Kazma, an investor behind the Adler on the Park Showcase House for Charity, told WGN9.



Emily Ryerson

Each home is unique in detail, but together they reflect the quiet formality of London townhouses built during the late Georgian period of the 18th century.

Ryerson was an American who survived the sinking of RMS Titanic on April 15, 1912. She and her three children, Suzette, Emily and John made it to safety, but her husband, Arthur, died when the ship went down in the Atlantic Ocean.

Ryerson (1863–1939), at the time was noted as the leader of the "flock" of young bachelor artists and an artist herself. The painter and mutual friend to both Dangler and Adler, Abram Poole Jr., would live at 2704 N. Lakeview Ave. Dangler, the young architect in partnership with Adler, would occupy the home at number 2708. Dangler's first cousin, and architect and draftsman at Adler and Dangler's firm, Ambrose Coghill Cramer, had the home at number 2710, and mural artist Frederick Clay Bartlett chose the parcel at number 2712.

Patron of the arts, and close friend of Ryerson, George French Porter, selected the largest parcel at the northern end of the proposed row at 2718 N. Lakeview Ave. The future occupants of the row houses were almost all young; most were yet unmarried



This property at 2700 N. Lakeview was built for Titanic survivor Emily Ryerson.  
*Photo courtesy Julia Bachrach*

and living at home or were finishing studies in the arts. Together, the group of six friends elected to build on a site facing the northern end of Lincoln Park, an area that

was distant from the established wealthy society enclaves of the Gold Coast and South Side.

Initially, six homes were planned, but with Dangler's early

death and the United States' involvement in World War I in 1917, only four homes were completed. Dangler's death and the United States' entry into World War I resulted in the group of friends gradually dispersing.

Today, the northernmost home illustrates this history with its blank north wall, which was planned to join two row houses that were never built.

The row houses began to capture media attention even before construction began. According to The Chicago Tribune of March 15, 1915, they suggesting that the row houses would emulate the "wise, sophisticated, self-respecting buildings" of London "from the time of the regency." That while the row houses would

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## Lifeguards wanted

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## Gospel Music Fest is June 4; Blues Fest, June 9 – 12

The Chicago Dept. of Cultural Affairs and Special Events are celebrating the return of some of Chicago's iconic free summer music festivals starting in June with two big events.

Chicago Gospel Music Festival (June 4 from 3–9 p.m.), is a family-friendly celebration of the music genre born in Chicago featuring top artists at the Jay Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park.

Following that is the Chicago Blues Festival (June 9–12), which will bring top talent to downtown and the neighborhoods where Blues originated in Chicago, including Soul City Blues in Austin (June 11) and Bronzeville Blues (June 12); in addition to Blues on the Riverwalk (June 9–10); a “Women in Blues showcase” in Millennium Park (June 12) and special tributes to Blues legends: Erwin Helfer, Bob Stroger, Gene Barge, Cicero Blake, Willie Henderson, and Mary Lane.

Celebrating the influence of this spirited genre born in Chicago over 80 years ago, the 2022 Chicago Gospel Music Festival presents a powerful lineup of top talent including Duane Powell with DJ Sunday Service, The Greater Harvest Sanctuary Choir, Pastor Daniel X. Smith and NSMIC, and a special quartet segment honoring the life and the legacy of Deacon Reuben Burton, featuring Tim White and Refocused and The Hoskins Family.

Also performing are Gospel Music According to Chicago, The Traditional Choir, Darlene Roberts, Felicia Coleman-Evans, Loretta Oliver and Vernon Oliver-Price, Kierra Sheard Kelly, The Walls Group, The Williams Singers, Brian Courtney Wilson and John P. Kee.

In addition to Millennium Park, for the first time the festival expands citywide, bringing top musicians into two South and West side neighborhoods that birthed Chicago Blues—Austin and Bronzeville.

Also new this year, the festival hosts a “Women in Blues” showcase on the Jay Pritzker stage June 12, performed by a group of Blues musicians paying homage to Blues legend Mary Lane.

Shows will also be put on during the daily showcase of Blues legends and emerging artists that have called Rosa's Lounge home over the last 38 years.



John Vincent crowns Dobby and Mirabelle as king and queen of the Pup Prom.



Congressman Mike Quigley gives some love to his affectionate four-legged friends.

### MUSIC from p. 3

was established in 2008. In 2020, the group, with Quigley's help, aided in saving, and getting custody of, 15 Frenchie puppies that were left to die in O'Hare Airport after they were brought into the U.S. illegally from Jordan. (Thanks to Rizzo's GM John Larkin for sharing that info.)

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“For anyone that couldn't make the event, we can accept donations at frenchieporvours.org,” said Elstien. “We are also currently looking for volunteers that would like to foster a Frenchie with the Chicago French Bulldog Rescue.”

**Vote early and often!...** for Rogers Parker Alejandra Sotelo, who in less than a week hits the Miss Illinois Teen USA Stage, representing her -- and my -- neighborhood.

The People's Choice voting for the pageant is officially open until 10 a.m., May 30. If you can swing the \$1 per vote charge, please support this amazing young lady.



Quigley, named after his favorite congressman.



Miss Rogers Park Alejandra Sotelo is competing for the 2022 Miss Illinois Teen USA title. The pageant will be held this week in Normal.

that I get the privilege to walk on that stage with “ROGERS PARK” across my chest.”

Sotelo is gearing up for pageant weekend both physically and mentally. She has prepared for months with Ambassador Queens United on confidence on stage and in the interview room.

“The clock is ticking and the countdown has begun,” she said. “I am extremely excited and optimistic for the outcome.

“I believe that competing in this pageant itself is such a privilege and amazing experience all on its own,” Sotelo added. “But winning this pageant would not only be life-changing in so many ways but provide a bigger platform to inspire, educate, motivate, and connect with other young teens.”

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# Lane Tech wins CPS City Championship 2-1 over Brooks



By  
Jack Lydon

The Lane Tech baseball team won the CPS city baseball championship 2-1 over Brooks Eagles Monday afternoon at Wrigley Field.

The win came on the strength of an impressive four-hit, one run pitching performance by Lane Tech junior right-handed pitcher Josh Katz (6-0), whose final win was for the championship over the Eagles.

But the game was not without some drama in the top of the seventh inning.

Katz only had one earlier jam, in the top of the third, but he came through it unscathed.

Taking a 2-0 lead into the final inning, Katz took the mound approaching a 100 pitches.

The first two batters struck well hit singles up the middle.

"I thought it might be the end after those two hits," Katz said after the game. "I was just kind of trusting my stuff, being relentless, trusting my defense knowing that I have the best guys in the entire city behind me. So just being able to throw strikes, pound the zone, trust what I have done throughout the season."

Sun-Times sports reporter Mike Clark asked Katz, "How many more pitches did you have [at the end]?"

"About five maybe, not many before we were going to have to go the bullpen," Katz responded.

"It felt good to close that game out after going seven innings. To be able to win City, especially at Wrigley Field, it feels great."

Katz was channeling his inner Kyle Hendricks—cool as a cucumber—coming off the Wrigley



Lane Tech baseball team wins CPS City Championship at Wrigley Field.

Field pitcher's mound after setting Brooks down 1-2-3 in the first two innings.

"I was getting in my groove. I started feeling my stride and then I just continued to tell myself to throw strikes and trust my defense. That's kind of all it is at a point, just throwing strikes and doing what I do."

"I was mostly working the fast ball especially in the later innings. Just to be able to trust that. Today, I went with the two seam just to be able to jam their hitters," said Katz.

Lane Baseball team coach Sean Freeman left Katz in after the first two hitters reached in the seventh with a slender two run lead.

"He had been throwing lights out all day, he's been lights out for us in crunch time all year, so I had nothing but faith. We had a quite conversation when they had two guys on if we wanted to go [to the pen]. But I just told our pitching coach that it's [Josh's] game to lose. I have all the faith in the

world in him. He has had multiple big moments throughout the year at the end of the game and he has always come through."

***Josh Katz was channeling his inner Kyle Hendricks—cool as a cucumber—coming off the Wrigley Field pitcher's mound after setting Brooks down 1-2-3 in the first two innings.***

And that he did, after giving up one run, Katz got the last two batters out, and now the Lane Tech team is City Champs.

Lane junior catcher Zach Shashoua said, "We've been there before. I have been playing with

Josh since I was five. He's got a fastball, a slider, a two seamer, a curveball and a change. The two seam was looking really nice today. He's just always throwing strikes since he's got the velocity. He found the zone, and we're City champs."

Lane starts IHSA 4A playoffs on Thursday as the five seed in the Glenbrook North Regional. Lane comes into the playoffs ranked 30th among 4A teams in Max Preps rankings. Don't count out the Baseball Team especially with big time performances like today's from Josh Katz.

## Lane Tech alumni game June 11

The annual Lane Tech Alumni Game will be 10 a.m. Saturday, June 11, at Kerry Wood Field, 3400 N. Rockwell.

Guests and fans are invited to join the team for the return of Lane Tech Baseball's annual Alumni Baseball game, and cheer on the City champions. Players past and present are welcome to attend and suit up.

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# Police Beat...

**Cops looking for man who robbed woman at Clark-Lake Blue Line**



Chicago police are asking for help as they try to locate the man who robbed a woman at the Clark-Lake Blue Line CTA station May 15. CPD released this surveillance image of the man on May 18.

They said he grabbed the woman's purse from her shoulder on the Blue Line platform and then wrestled with her for control of the bag around 5:50 a.m. He eventually overpowered the woman and took the purse, police said.

He is 18- to 25-years-old and 5'-10" to 6' tall, the police bulletin said.

Anyone with information about the man can contact Mass Transit investigators at 312-745-4443 regarding case JF-242852.

**Judge releases four-time felon accused of setting fires, assaulting people on lakefront: judge impressed that perp served in the military**

When Chicago police and Fire responded to a series of trash can fires in River North and along the Mag-



Clinton Anders

nificent Mile early on April 24, they very quickly knew who they were looking for. Many of the fire-

settings were captured on video and officers began looking for a balding White male with a ponytail and a wallet chain hanging from his waist.

They found him around noon that day after he allegedly caused a disturbance inside the Art Institute.

"That's our fire starter," a police supervisor said on the local radio frequency.

Clinton Anders, 43, was taken to Northwestern Memorial Hospital for a mental health evaluation. Then, he was released back to the streets without being charged with any wrongdoing.

Perhaps coincidentally, another string of trash can fires popped up in the West Loop early on April 26.

On May 12, witnesses called 911 to report that a man was pulling down his pants and grabbing people on the lakefront near Navy Pier. They arrested Clinton Anders again. Prosecutors said he was still wearing the clothes that the arsonist wore on April 24, including a long wallet chain.

This time, authorities charged him with criminal damage to government property — the trash cans are owned by the city — and indecent exposure. Prosecutors said he has four felony convictions since 2015 for aggravated DUI, aggravated battery, burglary, and retail theft. He also has six misdemeanor convictions.

Assistant Public Defender Kimberly Mills said Anders is homeless, has three kids, and served four years in the Marines.

Judge Maryam Ahmad released him on his own recognizance with-

out electronic monitoring.

"The court was compelled by your military service," Ahmad explained.

**Charges filed against a man who allegedly displayed a gun while running with a shooting victim during Saturday's 'large group' incident**



Willie Johnson (inset).

Prosecutors have filed felony gun charges against a third adult in connection with May 14's mob incidents in Millennium Park and the Loop. Two juveniles also face gun charges.

Willie Johnson, 18, was arrested at 11:44 p.m. May 14 on Jackson Blvd., just west of State St.

Police went to the intersection to handle calls of a man with a gun who was running with another man who had been shot. Cops stopped Johnson because he matched that description and they found a loaded handgun in his waistband, Assistant State's Attorney LaKeya Duncan said.

In fact, two people were shot at the intersection just moments earlier when two juveniles fired guns into a group of people on the 300 block of S. State, according to CPD. A man who appeared to be between 18- and 20-years-old was taken to Northwestern Memorial Hospital in critical condition with gunshot wounds to his neck and chest. And an 18-year-old was taken to Stroger Hospital in fair condition with a gunshot wound to his left hand, police said.

Duncan said Johnson told police he heard gunfire, paused, then took his gun out. But he denied firing the weapon.

Johnson had never been arrested before, Duncan said. He is charged with aggravated unlawful use of a weapon.

"At 18, openly displaying this firearm while running through this area with someone who apparently had been shot," Judge Susana Ortiz summarized after hearing the allegations. She set bail at \$30,000 with electronic monitoring. Johnson must post 10% of the bail amount to get out of jail.

Assistant Public Defender Suzin Farber said Johnson is studying psychology at Grambling State Univ.

Prosecutors charged two other adults with felony gun possession in connection with the group incident.

Marion Richardson, a juvenile, is charged with second-degree murder and other charges for allegedly shooting a 16-year-old near The Bean sculpture on May 14. Prosecutors also charged another teenager who was near the shooting scene with felony gun possession, police said.

Police arrested seven adults for allegations related to the hours-long group incident. Police said 26 juveniles were also arrested, but that number is impossible to verify because juvenile arrest records are not available to the public.

**Two teens charged with trying to rob man in Lincoln Park; another violent robbery is reported nearby**

Five people, including a 12-year-old boy and two 14-year-old boys, chased and tried to rob a man in Lincoln Park on May 16, according to police. The incident unfolded about 45 minutes after five people brutally beat, kicked,

and robbed another man just a few blocks away in Lakeview. Detectives are working to determine if the same group committed both crimes.

Around 10:15 p.m., a 42-year-old man was walking on Oakdale Ave., just east of Clark St., when he saw a group of five people wearing masks and hoodies running down the street.

When they reached the 2900 block of N. Clark, the group turned around and ran toward the man, then physically attacked him, a police spokesperson said. While the man was down, the group went through his pockets and took his valuables, according to police.

A witness said he heard the attack unfolding and "turned around to see [them] stamping on the face" of a man who was on the ground.

"I yelled at them as they were rifling through his pockets and they made off with his phone," the witness said. "The victim's face was a mess, very badly swollen from the beating and bleeding heavily."

EMS took the victim to Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center, according to the police spokesperson. His condition is not known.

"This whole thing took under a minute and was just brutal," said the witness.

Then, at 11:02 p.m., five offenders approached a 36-year-old man on the 2700 block of N. Pine Grove and demanded his property. That's not far from where the first attack took place.

The victim ran away and the group chased after him, but they weren't able to catch up, according to the police. He called 911 and cops stopped three suspects on the 2700 block of N. Clark a few minutes later. The victim identified all three as being part of the group that tried to rob him.

CPD's spokesperson said a 12-year-old boy is charged with attempted robbery and two 14-year-old boys are charged with attempted robbery and obstructing identification. One of the older boys also had an outstanding warrant.

Both incidents occurred in the Lakeview-based Town Hall 19th Police District where robberies are up 29% this year compared to the same time last year, according to CPD's latest CompStat report, the department's internal statistics tracker.

Robberies in Town Hall are also running 28% ahead of 2020, 30% ahead of 2019, and 22% ahead of 2018, according to CompStat.

**A food delivery driver was hijacked in Lincoln Park**

A food delivery driver wound up on the wrong end of a handgun when he tried to stop a group of auto thieves from taking his car in Lincoln Park on May 21, according to Chicago police.

The 34-year-old victim found three men or boys sitting in his vehicle when he returned to it after making a delivery on the 2200 block of N. Lincoln at 1:27 p.m., Officer Alex Aguas said

He tried to open the door, but the man in the front passenger seat pointed a gun at him, according to Aguas. The victim stepped back, and the group headed south in his Nissan Altima.

Police found the man's car abandoned about 90 minutes later under the Brown Line tracks at Evergreen Ave. in Old Town.

Area Three detectives are investigating the case.

Chicago police recorded 10 carjackings in Lincoln Park this year through May 14. That's twice the number seen during the same time last year. There was one hijacking by mid-May 2020 and five by mid-May 2019.

Citywide, 53 carjackings were reported May 1 through May 14. That's exactly the same number seen during those dates last year. There were



Randall Brown (inset).

**Twenty-time felon now a 30-time felon after pleading guilty to 10 North Side scooter thefts**

Twenty-time convicted felon Randall Brown became 30-time convicted felon Randall Brown last week when he pleaded guilty to stealing 10 Moped-style scooters from parking spots across the North Side during the summer of 2020.

Prosecutors said Brown, 53, stole motor scooters on the North Side and resold them on the West Side after he was paroled in April 2020 for his 18th, 19th, and 20th felonies.

A tipster told Chicago police in July 2020 that a White male who goes by the names Shawn Flynn and Randy Brown was selling stolen scooters at deep discounts and traveled in a brown or tan pick-up truck, prosecutors said. The investigators focused on Brown after running "Randy Brown" through a law enforcement database and seeing his photo and extensive criminal history.

Two weeks later, Chicago police pulled over a gold pick-up truck for a traffic violation on the West Side. Brown was driving, and a motorized scooter was in the truck bed, prosecutors said. They let him go with a citation and undercover investigators began tracking and surveilling the truck.

Within hours, Brown returned to the North Side, where covert officers watched him roll a scooter off the street, manipulate it with tools, and then ride away with the vehicle, prosecutors said. They arrested him.

Investigators suspect Brown stole far more than just ten scooters. CPD records show there were 22 scooter-type thefts in 2020 before Brown was paroled and 122 in the months after he got out.

Brown pleaded guilty to ten counts of possessing a stolen motor vehicle last week. Judge James Linn sentenced him to eight years on each count with the sentences to be served concurrently, according to court re-

cords.

The eight-year term will be reduced by 50% for good behavior and Brown will receive 650 days credit for time spent in jail before sentencing. Officials have not announced his expected parole date, but they will probably release him in the summer of 2024.

Brown has been busted by undercover police operations before.

Back in 2016, a Wrigleyville resident called 911 to report two people making a porn movie in a car behind their home. But there was no porn being filmed. The people in the car were undercover cops who were using video equipment to record Brown as he broke into a nearby coach house. They arrested him when they stepped out of the home.

Before his conviction for that burglary, another burglary, and an identity theft in 2016, Brown went to prison for: One year for theft in 2011; Another year for theft in 2011; 10 years for burglary in 2010; Another 10 years for receiving/possessing a stolen vehicle in 2010; 30 months for aggravated impersonation of police in 2005; Another 30 months for theft in 2005; Another seven years for aiding-abetting possession of a stolen vehicle in 2005; Another five years for forgery in 2005; Another two years for knowingly possessing a fake license in 2005; Four years for being a felon who failed to return from furlough in 2001; Six years for burglary in 2000; Another 42 months for burglary in 2000; Five years for theft in 1998; Six years for receiving/possessing a stolen motor vehicle in 1997; Six years for unlawful possession of a stolen vehicle in 1993; Another three years for receiving/possessing a stolen motor vehicle in 1993, and yet another three years for theft in 1993.

**Three charged with catalytic converter theft after North Side car crash**

Three men face misdemeanor theft charges after police found apparently stolen catalytic converters in their vehicle following a car crash in Avondale last week.

In the Avondale case, police received calls of three men traveling in a black car who were sawing catalytic converters off vehicles on the 3700 block of N. Christiana around 2:30 a.m. May 19. Minutes later, the driver of a black Infiniti sedan sped through a red light on the 3400 block of W. Addison and slammed into a car that was traveling south on Kimball.

Cops found several catalytic converters and an electric saw inside and near the black Infiniti, according to a police report. The Infiniti's driver and his two passengers were taken to local hospitals for treatment. Police said the driver of the other car was also injured.

The Infiniti's driver, Harvey Rog-

# No bail for man who was shot after pointing a gun at Millennium Park security

BY CWBCHICAGO

A man who allegedly circumvented a security checkpoint at Millennium Park on May 20, and was then shot by an off-duty Cook County sheriff's deputy after pointing a gun at the officer and other security guards, was ordered held without bail on Sunday.

Chicago police originally said Jordan Jackson shot at park security workers, but Assistant State's Attorney James Murphy said Sunday there was no evidence that he fired the weapon.

Jackson, 22, walked away from an entrance to the park after refusing to allow security workers to scan him with a metal detector

at one of the city's newly-installed checkpoints around 7:22 p.m.

A security officer radioed information about what happened to other officers along with a description of Jackson, Murphy said. Jackson eventually breached the park's perimeter near The Bean sculpture and three security guards, including the off-duty officer, began following him.

Jackson continued to walk through the park without acknowledging the guards and eventually rushed into Lurie Gar-



Jordan Jackson

den. He then turned back toward the guards, held a silver handgun in front of him, and aimed it at them, said Murphy.

Video reportedly showed the guards diving for cover and park patrons running for safety.

The off-duty officer fired several shots at Jackson, striking him one time in the buttocks, Murphy said. Jackson allegedly ran from the scene with other security officers in pursuit.

Upon reaching the Chicago Riverwalk near Columbus Dr., Jackson allegedly threw his gun into the river and jumped onto a tiki-themed party boat. Police arrested him there. CPD divers recovered the discarded gun from the river bottom on Saturday. It

was loaded with 12 rounds and had a defaced serial number, according to Murphy.

Jackson has no criminal background, Murphy said.

Prosecutors charged Jackson with three counts of aggravated assault of a private security officer with a firearm, possession of a firearm with a defaced serial number, aggravated unlawful use of a weapon in a park, and aggravated unlawful use of a weapon. The charges are all felonies.

Judge Susana Ortiz granted a state request to hold Jackson without bail.

## Robbers targeting Divvy riders on the Lakefront Trail

BY CWBCHICAGO

Chicago police say a couple of men are robbing Divvy riders of their bicycles on the Gold Coast lakefront. It's happened twice since May 13, according to an alert from Area Three detectives.

Both times, two men threatened Divvy customers and took their rental bikes along the Lakefront Trail.

The first robbery occurred on the 1000 block of N. Lake Shore Dr. near Oak Street Beach at 2:50 p.m. on Friday, May 13.

Then, it happened again in the 1400 block of N. Lake Shore Dr. on the morning of Sunday May 15, police said. That location is a couple of blocks south of North Avenue Beach.

Police said the robbers are two Black males between 17- and 20-years-old who stand about 5'-7"-tall and weigh about 145 lbs.

Anyone with information about robberies can contact Area Three detectives about crime pattern P22-3-036 at 312-744-8263.

# High school student circumvented metal detectors to bring gun into class

BY CWBCHICAGO

On May 18, one day after a ricocheting bullet grazed a seven-year-old boy in an Uptown classroom, Chicago Public Schools CEO Pedro Martinez tried to take the edge off.

"Anytime we see a gun coming into our schools it's very troubling, especially when it's an elementary school," Martinez told the Sun-Times. "It was in a backpack, so it wasn't that it was somebody trying to purposely use the gun in some way. We're going to work with the police department because there's a lot more questions that we have of how does a child get hold of a gun in the first place."

But, this reporter has learned there was another gun incident at a different CPS school on May 17, too. And it is troubling: A high school student on bail for illegal gun possession since last month allegedly circumvented his school's security checkpoints to bring a loaded firearm into class.

On May 18 prosecutors charged Tatanina Kelly, 28, with three misdemeanor counts of child endangerment in connection with May 17's accidental firearm discharge at Walt Disney Magnet School, 4130 N. Marine Dr.

Kelly's 8-year-old son took a gun from under her bed Monday night and then brought it to

school to show to another student, according to allegations made in court records. Prosecutors said Kelly is licensed to own firearms.

The gun "accidentally discharge[d] in an attempt to show another student," a Chicago police department said. The bullet ricocheted from the floor tile and a 7-year-old boy suffered graze wounds to his stomach area and upper lip, the police report said.

Disney's leadership sent an email to parents May 18 that suggested the student was struck by "debris." But the police report said a janitor found a bullet fragment.

CPD's report lists the school's principal, assistant principal, and janitor as either witnesses or persons interviewed. The report does not show that any other adults, including teachers, were interviewed.

Judge Michael Hogan set Kelly's bail at \$10,000, meaning she must pay \$1,000 to get out of jail.

An initial CPD report said the student whose backpack contained the gun told police their

mother's boyfriend put the gun in their bag.

Also on May 17, Chicago police arrested an 18-year-old after he allegedly circumvented security check-points to bring a gun



Khaaliq Dixon

into Richard T. Crane Medical Prep High School on the Near West Side.

The student, Khaaliq Dixon, was already on bail for a felony gun charge that he picked up on April 10, records show.

Prosecutors said a school contractor saw Dixon place a bag next to one of the school's exterior doors, then Dixon entered the school, walked into the gym, opened the exterior door, and brought the bag inside, prosecutors said. Video surveillance recorded it all, Assistant State's Attorney Sean Kelly said.

Crane reportedly has metal detector-equipped checkpoints at its entrances.

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**POLICE BEAT** from p. 10

ers Jr, 25, is charged with reckless driving, possession of burglary tools, and theft of lost or mislaid property. Those are all misdemeanors.

His two passengers, 26-year-old Anthony Gooden Jr and Arties Anderson, 24, are each charged with possession of burglary tools and theft of lost or mislaid property.

All three men were released on their own recognizance, according to CPD records.

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# CTA passenger dead after being stabbed on a Blue Line train downtown

BY CWBCHICAGO

A 43-year-old man is dead after someone stabbed him aboard a Blue Line train downtown on May 23. The offender remains at large.

Police and fire department personnel responded to a person stabbed at the LaSalle Blue Line station around 10:52 p.m. They found the victim bleeding from

two stab wounds, one in the chest, the other under his left armpit, an officer said.

EMS took the victim to Stroger Hospital, where he was pronounced dead at 11:23 p.m.

The attack apparently took place on an inbound train car when it was at or near the Clinton Blue Line station in the West Loop.

CPD surveillance camera operators said video footage shows a man on the Clinton platform holding a knife with a possibly 6” blade around the time of the attack. The offender fled from the Clinton station after he stabbed the victim, officers said.

According to the camera operators, the suspect is a middle-aged Black male wearing a light-colored baseball cap, a blue hoodie with light-colored writing on the front, blue pants, and black shoes.

## STAFFING from p. 5

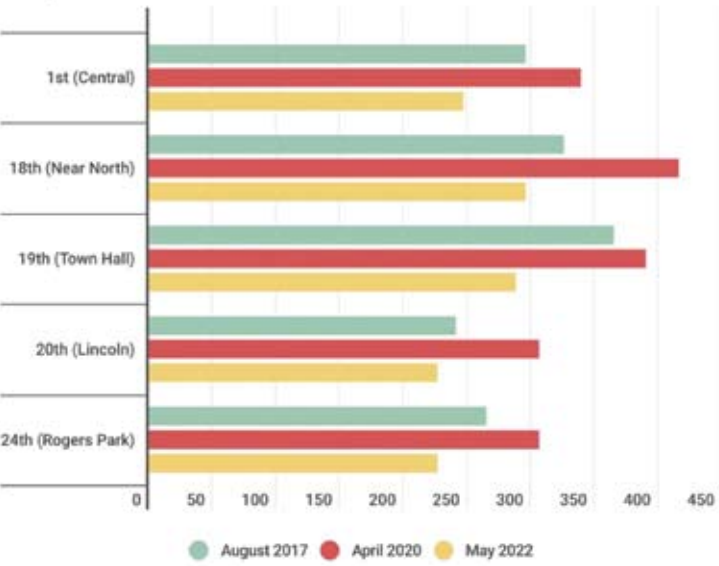
speak for themselves.

District staffing levels (see chart at right) have gone down since 2017, when David Brown became superintendent of the Chicago Police Dept. in April 2020.

## District staffing levels have gone down since 2017, when David Brown became superintendent of the Chicago Police Dept. in April 2020.

The latest year-to-date crime comparisons for major crime categories in those districts through May 15, taken directly from CPD’s district-level CompStat reports, show that carjackings are up and included in the robbery category. “Motor vehicle thefts” are vehicles taken without force, such as through the use of forged keys or stolen while left running and unattended. Sometimes, murders have increased compared to previous years, but the change shows as 0% due to zero being the denominator.

## Officers assigned to selected Chicago Police Department districts



Data source: Chicago Office of Inspector General  
August 2017 is the earliest month for which data is available  
April 2020 is the month David Brown became CPD superintendent  
May 2022 is the most recent month for which data is available

District boundaries  
1st District (Lake Michigan/expressways (roughly)/Chicago River/31st Street)  
18th District (Lake Michigan/Chicago River/Fullerton)  
19th District (Lake Michigan/Chicago River/Fullerton/Lawrence)  
20th District (Lake Michigan/North Shore Channel/Lawrence/Peterson)  
24th District (Lake Michigan/North Shore Channel/Peterson/city limits)

## Rogers Park Township Real Estate For Sale

### Real Estate For Sale

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION  
FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SEASONED CREDIT RISK TRANSFER TRUST, SERIES 2018-4  
Plaintiff,  
-v.-  
ELAINE NELSON, CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORP., JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
Defendants  
2020 CH 01568  
1721 WEST ARTHUR AVENUE  
CHICAGO, IL 60626  
NOTICE OF SALE  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on March 14, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on June 16, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

### Real Estate For Sale

Commonly known as 1721 WEST ARTHUR AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60626  
Property Index No. 11-31-416-020-0000  
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.  
The judgment amount was \$307,161.87.  
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
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### Real Estate For Sale

TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2017-FRE2, US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS INDENTURED TRUSTEE;  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
BISIRIYU FOLAHAN AKA FOLAHAN BISIRIYU AKA FOLAHAN SHAKIRU BISIRIYU; FLORENCE KALEJAIYE BISIRIYU; TOBY BISIRIYU; FLORENCE BISIRIYU AS INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE; TOMI BISIRIYU; GEORGE ESCARENO AS GUARDIAN AD LITEM FOR TOMI BISIRIYU; THE TOUHY AVENUE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS GENERALLY AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS;  
Defendants,  
19 CH 6702  
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P.I.N. 11-30-424-030-1003.  
Commonly known as 1628 West Touhy Avenue Apt 103 Chicago, IL 60626.  
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### Real Estate For Sale

minium 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. Matthew C. Abad at Plaintiff's Attorney, Kluever Law Group, 225 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois 60606. (312) 236-0077. SPS000154-19FC1  
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COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION  
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION HOME EQUITY MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-KS11  
Plaintiff,  
-v.-  
JANINA CASTILLO ROJAS, DIOGENES P. ROJAS, GENERAL FINANCIAL SERVICES OF ILLINOIS , CITY OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, MALIBU EAST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION  
Defendants  
2020 CH 05562  
6033 N. SHERIDAN RD APARTMENT #34G  
CHICAGO, IL 60660  
NOTICE OF SALE  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on March 22, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on June 23, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:  
Commonly known as 6033 N. SHERIDAN RD APARTMENT #34G, CHICAGO, IL 60660  
Property Index No. 14-05-215-017-1362  
The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$404,976.57.  
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.  
Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will

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Attorney File No. 310906  
Attorney Code. 43932  
Case Number: 2020 CH 05562  
TJSC#: 42-1739  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION  
GREAT AJAX OPERATING PARTNERSHIP L.P.  
Plaintiff,  
-v.-  
ANNA KROZEL, 5051-5053 N. CLARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, KIM F. HANSEN, LAUREL J. HANSEN  
Defendants  
2021 CH 02042  
5051 N. CLARK STREET, UNIT 1  
SOUTH CHICAGO, IL 60660  
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Commonly known as 5051 N. CLARK STREET, UNIT 1, SOUTH CHICAGO, IL 60660  
Property Index No. 14-08-307-050-1002 (VOL. 477)  
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2018 CH 10528  
561 WEST ALDINE AVENUE UNIT 2  
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home run that turned into a milestone grand slam against the Pirates at Wrigley, making some baseball history in the friendly confines. Congratulations. So when can we trade him? Asking for a friend in the Bronx.

**TO UKRAINE:** Mark Schimmelpfennig, Rush Hosp. chaplain extraordinaire is in Poland on way to Ukraine with bags of medical supplies and his long history of compassionate ministry, as well as USMC "Semper Paratus" service. Keep him in your prayers.

**COMING DOWN:** Don't miss the El tracks at Clark and Aldine that are being pulled down. Changes everything.

**MID-AMERICA CLUB:** The sad news that the Mid-America Club, 200 E. Randolph, 80th floor, is closing, was met by some with disbelief. Set high in the skies, it offered a staggering view of the lakefront, Millennium Park and the environs of green Chicago from the AON Center. The private dining club is just the latest club to close. Many cherished the predictably good menu that made its name since 1958. That's when **Weymouth Kirkland, Forest Wallace and Dudley F. Jessop founded the club.**

**SERVICE CLUB HAT LUNCH:** The chic set and the beauties gathered at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in grand display for the most coveted social success of the fresh season. Service Club's fashion conscious extravaganza, the Hat Lunch.

This year's event was co-chaired by **Sherry Lea Fox, Pat Maxwell and Dr. Stacie McClane** with special guest speaker **Jessica Ann Pushor**, the Collection Manager of the Costume and Textile Collection at the Chicago History Museum. Jessica highlighted women's hats from the 1870's-1950's, starting with the establishment of Paris MAY 24, millinery in the late 1800's, all the way through the Chicago hat experience. Designers of note from the CHM collection: **Paul Poiret, Halston, Charles James, Dior, Bes-Ben/Benjamin Greenfield and Balenciaga.** She regaled attendees with a tour of hat history and the rules of etiquette on hats and hat making. It's always a social "Who's Who."

**CAFE SOPHIE:** Have you been to Cafe Sophie, 847 N. State St., from the folk at Maple and Ash? On my recent visit I was amazed at the really cool folk who operate it and the fabulous quality of the food. Real quality.

**HUGO'S:** Oysters abounded

for my birthday last weekend, delighted artist **Adam Umbach** and sweet wife, **Nora Dankner**, came from Brooklyn. Dinner at Hugo's was the highlight, with ample time to gouge ourselves on \$1 oysters. New boss, **Flavia Magdalin**, formerly of RL fame, was on hand to ensure all was fab. The latest redecorating there is really good. And of course the seafood there is over the top.

**BEST EGGS:** Imagine how pleased I was to discover that pal **Rodney Alec** had discovered "Happy Eggs." They're the latest in heavenly eggs that come free range and deeply orange yolked for the most delicious eggs. His commentary after frequent use is the same as my own. Wondrous eggs. Filled with flavor and beauty. Rodney really knows his way around the kitchen. He agrees. They're better than even fancy ones from Whole Foods.

**THE LAST EMPEROR:** I have two great memories of the great couturier **Valentino**. The first was his tribute from the City of Rome 10 or 15 years ago, when all of the ancient city bowed to his elegance and international success. A fashion extravaganza amid the ancient ruins of the Eternal City that we discovered on landing there. I recalled the grandeur of his models legging it everywhere. Especially in his stunning silky white suit that bespoke modern elegance.

Months later discovering one of the world's most beautiful women entering the Hotel Maurice for lunch in Paris. **Rose O'Neill** and I were sipping pre-lunch cocktails. The woman gave a sweet nod to Rose. It was the **Princess Radziwill. Lee Radziwill. Jacqueline Kennedy's** sister. Wearing the Valentino white suit. A great fashion moment to behold. Now, especially, as Valentino has just celebrated his 90th birthday. And the memory lingers.

**PARISIAN DINNERS:** Just had a restaurant request from my Seattle cousin who's in Paris now. Sent some dinner suggestions like Aux Lyonnais, L'Epi Dupin and Josephine Chez Dumonet. They're classics.

**GOOD APPLES:** Reute Butler of the horsey Oakbrook Polo Butlers alerted us to the remarkable modern day "Johnny Appleseed," an Appalachian apple hunter, **Tom Brown**, who has rescued 1,000 varieties of apples creating a boom for chefs, conservationists, cider enthusiasts and horses.

**GHASTLY:** Is a local musical legend finally fed-up with the horrible antics of that ghoulish Frenchman who operates that ridiculous French eatery in the Gold Coast, whose tantrums and nastiness toward diners is no longer cute?

**OPERATION MINCE-MEAT:** It's a new film on Netflix. Best new World War II film that's really well done. Don't miss it.



Julia Jacobs, Paula Borg, honoree Bethany Florek, Shaun Rajah, Ann Schwarz Sherrill and Lauren Lein Cavanaugh.

**WHO'S WHERE:** Old Town's cutest couple, **Norman and Shirley Baugher**, celebrating an anniversary, making us all feel the love... Artist **Rosemary Fanti** at the Original Shrimp House in Palos Park... **Julie Barrish** at Dior for the beautiful Lynn Sage Breast Cancer event... **Rose O'Neill** and nextdoor neighbor **Cynthia Olson** with this reporter getting our prime rib fix at Erie Cafe... **Whitney Reynolds** looking tres chic modeling in the Silver Lining Fashion Show, stunning in **Contessa Bottega**... **Julia Jacobs, Paula Borg**, honoree **Bethany Florek, Shaun Rajah, Ann Schwarz Sherrill**, and **Lauren Lein Cavanaugh** working together on fundraiser for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society at the Union League Club... **Gordon Sinclair** meeting up with his great niece in sunny Paris where the American actress is quite the celeb... **Christopher Clinton Conway** in Dublin working on things of the dance with **Anne Maher** and Ballet Ireland...

great to see adorable kitties, **Rumble and Bumble**, out with their pet-mom, **Sherren Leigh**... Woman of mystery, writer **Sara Paretsky** has "whodunnit" again with her latest detective fiction "Overboard," a work of cerebral literary delight... Happy Birthday to Chicago attorney **Brendan O'Connor**, cheers me boy... **Bud and Kipper Lance Hendrick** on tour in Ireland with the Irish Georgian Society at Birr Castle in

Co. Offaly... Ruffles and flourishes for **Peggy Snorf** on her birthday in Rockefeller Plaza and a stop at Bergdorf's... **Stephanie Leese Emrich** all cap and gowned in her fighting Illinois orange for commencement... Bravo **Neal and Jason Robin** who separately endured day-long botched-up travel to be in Palm Springs on Mother's Day with their fabulous mom, **Linda Robin**, great lads... **Takara Beathea-Gudell** looking chic in her summer neck art... **Greg and Julie Stoll Quattelbaum**

already lookin' summer fresh in Palm Beach... **Phil Ponce** gardening and treasure hunting now in retirement... **Shelley Howard** gathered the troops at Tavern on Rush to pursue the dining ritual for Tavern Thursday at their corner table with son, **Shaun Howard, Jay Barksdale and Dennis Donn**... (Ret) **Judge Rhoda Sweeney Drucker** and husband, **Fred Drucker**, are truly faithful followers of the White Sox, perfect attendance... **Sean Eshaghy** with pals at Butch McGuire's... **Sherrill Bodine** and **Denise Tomasello**, with pals **Rhonda J Liesenfeldt, April Schwartz** and **Sheree Schimmer Valukas** for some time together in London and Paris, refining their shopping skills.

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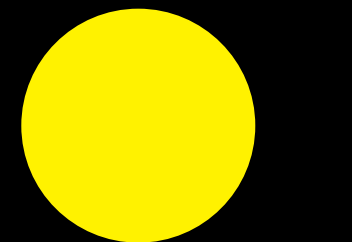
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## MANSION from p. 7

follow a “uniform architectural scheme,” each residence would suit the needs of its owner. For example, Dangler and his family “would have a winter garden, and Mrs. Ryerson would have a fourth-floor workshop for jewelry-making.”

Around 1910, the northern end of Lincoln Park attracted a new generation of wealthy Chicagoans. Many of these families were the younger generations of prominent families from Chicago’s South Side—old Chicago families that had called Prairie Ave., Calumet Ave., and Grand Blvd. home during the 19th century.

However, as industry and business shifted ever farther south from downtown along the lakefront rail lines, more families increasingly opted to move northward to build homes along Lincoln Park. These new residents included both the creative occupants of the Lakeview Ave. row houses and several Chicago industry leaders



“Untergang der Titanic” by Willy Stöwer, 1912.

who moved to an area east of Sheridan Rd. and north of Diversey, that at the time was nicknamed “Meekerville.”

Image courtesy of Encyclopedia Britanica

The four-story building is now divided into two condos, one on the first two floors, and the other on the third and fourth

floors.

The 6,500-square-foot lower unit is listed at \$7.65 million. The five bedroom, four bathroom home includes a grand foyer with a marble checkered floor and restored columns as well as a three-car garage, two mudrooms, and a large family room.

The 5,200-square-foot upper unit is listed at \$5.65 million. It includes four bedrooms, three bathrooms, a heated 2.5 car garage and an 800-square-foot terrace.

The four row homes are connected and overlook Lincoln Park, and have a landmark designation. Six homes were originally planned for the site, but the death of one of the architects as well as the U.S. involvement in World War I prevented the construction of the final two homes. While the homes are in Chicago’s elite Lincoln Park neighborhood, the site was considered unfashionable at the time, away from the Gold Coast, then the center of wealth and society, according to the Historic Preservation Society.



The 3rd Annual Uptown Art Week kicks off June 1, and will feature over 150 pieces of public art including more than 50 new works painted live around the neighborhood, and interactive art activities for all ages.

Events will include the Uptown Sidewalk Social, 2:30 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 1, 4620 N. Broadway.

Mural making will be offered to youth grades 6 -12, 5 to 6:30 p.m. on June 1, at the Bezazian Branch - Chicago Public Library, 1226 W Ainslie St.

The Margate Park Block Club has sponsored this opportunity for teens to share their creativity by working with acrylic paint, so dress for a mess. Form ore information contact Rachel (mwilson12@chi-publib.org) about how to participate.

Art opening featuring artist Alexandra Stevenson will be held 6:30 to 8 p.m. Friday, June 3, at Everybody's Coffee, 935 W. Wilson Ave.

Suzanne Simard will also talk about her scientific work on trees, and how our lives are inextricably entangled with one another and with all of nature. There are invisible forces just below the surface working to connect us all in a network of life. Alex-

andra's work reveals this in her images of trees, roots, and other natural forms. This event is free and open to the public.

Uplift Community High School, 900 W. Wilson Ave., will host an Art & STEAM Exhibition, 12:30 to 3 p.m. Friday, June. Step inside the school to view a variety of exhibits produced and displayed by Uplift's students, including vertical indoor gardens, portraits from a genocide, conservation, 3D printing and ESports.

The Uptown Art Fair and Market will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 4-5, and will feature artwork for viewing and purchase from local artists, at 4620 N. Broadway. The beer garden will also be open from noon to 6 p.m., also at 4620 N. Broadway.

The Clifton Avenue Street Art Gallery is an outdoor art gallery developed by Uptown United in partnership with community members and with artists from all over the globe. It's a street art destination, currently showcasing 70+ murals by 70+ artists – and growing. On June 4, Clifton Ave. will be closed to vehicular traffic between Wilson Ave. and N. Broadway and interactive art activities will be hosted by Uptown Church.



Epworth United Methodist Church, 1890, designed by architect Frederick Townsend, with additions by Fred J. Thielbar of the architectural firm of Theilbar & Fugard.

Photo courtesy of Ward Miller / Preservation Chicago

### CHURCH from p. 1

historic Epworth Church building, so the fate and future use of the site remains unknown.

The church was built in the Romanesque style and is noted for its exterior walls of brown, rusticated boulders.

Epworth's Edgewater campus dates back to the 1890s.

Church members had planned to relocate their services to the nearby Unity Lutheran Church, 1212 W. Balmoral Ave. For decades, the church has also housed a homeless shelter from Uptown organization Cornerstone Community Outreach. New locations will have to be found for those uses as well.

### HEAT from p. 1

in Logan Square.

City reports show that tenants in two units were using their stoves for heat and couldn't control thermostats that had been "locked" inside boxes. Their apartments were, respectively, found to be just 54 and 60 degrees.

Las Moradas Apartments in Douglas Park also racked up three violations for having "insufficient" heat between Jan. 2018 and Dec. 2019. All told, the complex has accrued 14 building code violations since 1999. HHD says that all heating citations were dismissed in court with no fines being issued or paid.

Founded in 1975, as a non-for-profit organization to help create affordable housing in Chicago's Latino neighborhoods, HHD has a board an officers made up of clout-heavy hitters with strong financial ties, who claim to help people across the Chicago area improve their lives by finding them affordable housing.

And indeed under CEO Hipolito "Paul" Roldan, a Vietnam veteran with combat duty, HHD has developed more than 4500 affordable apartments and townhouses for

Some nearby residents have undertaken a Change.org petition drive hoping to protect and preserve one of the oldest buildings in the area. The church building was completed in 1891, with architect Frederick B. Townsend donating his services during the construction. In the 1930s, the building was expanded and a community house added to accommodate a growing congregation. The congregation is now shrinking, and management and upkeep on the old building is more than the parishioners care to do.

Plans for the redevelopment have not yet been released, and Ciaccio has made no public announcements about his intentions for the church campus.

families and elderly residents of several Hispanic communities. Most of his funding comes from a mix of private public funds.

He also oversees Tropic Construction, a residential and commercial builder.

***"They anticipated colder weather soon, so they were distributing fans but they also told me they still had the heat running," said Ald. Maria Hadden.***

In 2020, Hispanic Housing launched its affordable home purchase program and announced its first redevelopment project in Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria. Roldan received a 1988 MacArthur Foundation "genius grant" for his work in community development. His 53rd housing project is named after "The Borinqueneers," the first Hispanic military unit (and Korean War unit) awarded the Congressional Gold Medal.

Roldan was formerly the board chair of the Cook County Housing Authority and previously served as co-chair of Mayor Lori Lightfoot's Housing Transition Committee after her election in 2019.

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