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— Charles Oakley

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City Hall 'Code of Silence?'

Top officials promised not to publicly criticize each other as they emptied jail, reformed bail practices, top mayoral aide said

BY CWBCHICAGO

A group of high-level officials from the state, Cook County, and city all agreed to never speak negatively about each other as they worked to reduce the county's jail population, according to a 2019 email authored by Susan Lee, who was Mayor Lori Lightfoot's top public safety advisor at the time. Some might call the agreement a "code of silence."

But city leaders, who apparently didn't actively participate in the panel's activities, broke the deal by blaming low bond amounts and quick jail releases for increasing violence in the city

during the summer of 2019. Lee's message was included in a massive leak of city hall emails.

The city's no-criticism infraction caused Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle to lash out in a letter to Lightfoot, which was quickly leaked to the media.

Members of the exclusive no-criticism group included the Cook County Chief Judge's Office and prosecutors, according to Lee.

"They had issues with [CPD

Supt. Eddie Johnson's] comments around attributing violence to the people bonding out and [the] Mayor's similar comment," Lee wrote. "Apparently, there was an agreement early on in the group that members of this collaborative would not publicly criticize each other on this issue," Lee told other top mayoral advisors.

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New sculpture installed on Division St.

A giant new sculpture has been installed on the corner of Clark and Division St. in the Gold Coast.

The piece was sculpted by Ruth Aizuss Migdal, a nearby resident.

The effort is a part of the Chicago Sculpture Exhibit [CSE]. CSE was founded in 2001 by former 43rd Ward Ald. Vi Daley, with the Lincoln Park Community Art Initiative. The first show was mounted in 2002 with eight sculptures on display. The show continued to grow every year and has earned many accolades.

In 2008, the show nearly doubled when Ald. Tom Tunney [44th] brought the Lakeview neighborhoods into the show. Following the 10 year anniversary of the show, additional neighborhoods joined and the name was changed to reflect a growing interest in sculpture

throughout the city.

Each spring CSE issues a "call for artists" and a jury selects new artwork for placement. Selected artists are awarded a stipend in return for a one-year display of their artwork.

CSE is funded by charitable contributions from the private sector.

CSE acquires and places about 50 sculptures in neighborhoods throughout Chicago—from artists both locally and nationally. They are funded through a variety of donations and sponsors, and partners with local community groups and chambers of commerce and public officials. Every year the sculptures are rotated out, with new work installed in May. All of the works are available for purchase at the conclusion of the exhibit. Donations of all sizes are welcome.

Morton Salt industrial complex proposed for Landmark Designation

The former Morton Salt warehouse complex along the North Branch of the Chicago River would be designated as an official City of Chicago Landmark under a proposal submitted to City Council May 26.

Designed by the Chicago architecture firm Graham, Anderson, Probst & White and completed in 1930, the 4.24-acre complex at 1357 N. Elston Ave. was used by the Morton Salt Co. for the stor-

age, packaging, and distribution of rock salt until 2015.

Featuring a truss-roofed West Shed Building that has long been one of the community's most visible structures, the brick and steel-frame complex is considered an excellent example of utilitarian, early 20th-century industrial architecture. The designation would protect all exterior elevations from demolition or alteration; the interior of the West Shed; painted

signage on the roof of the shed; and select structural steel remnants of its former industrial use.

The designation was recommended by the Commission on Chicago Landmarks in April 2020.

The complex is currently undergoing a \$50 million renovation by Blue Star properties and R2 as an entertainment facility.

Streeterville man dies from lidocaine poisoning, found in apartment with chemicals, lab equipment

BY CWBCHICAGO

A man who was found dead in a Streeterville apartment along with potentially explosive materials, lab equipment, and chemicals died from accidental lidocaine poisoning, according to the Cook County medical examiner.

Theodore Hilke, 30, was found dead inside his apartment on the 200 block of E. Illinois around 11:30 p.m. March 23 during a well-being check.

Hilke's father reportedly went to his son's 7th-floor unit because he had not heard from him and was concerned. But the father, who had a key to the unit, was unable to open the door because it seemed to be blocked from the inside, a source said. He called police.



A Chicago police bomb disposal unit leaves the 200 block of E. Illinois after potentially explosive materials were found inside an apartment.

Photo courtesy CPD

According to an official report, officers arrived around 11 p.m. and entered the apartment, where they found Hilke dead on the bedroom floor with a large number of prescription pill bottles nearby. Police Supt. David Brown said Hilke's apartment presented "a little bit of a hoarding type of situation."

Detectives investigating Hilke's death returned to the apartment several hours later and found potentially dangerous materials that prompted police and fire officials to cordon off the area as a bomb squad removed potentially explosive materials, police said

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Large groups of teens are robbing people in Millennium and Grant parks

Groups of teenagers have surrounded and robbed victims in Grant and Millennium parks twice since May 21, police said in a community alert Saturday. In both cases, the groups swarmed the victims and took their property by force, according to police.

One robbery occurred on the 200 block of E. Randolph in Millennium Park around 7:20 p.m. May 21, police said. Then, it happened again in Grant Park on the 1100 block of S. Michigan around 9:46 p.m. May 26.

In the second robbery, three victims said about seven teenag-

ers surrounded them, beat them, and took their property, according to a CPD report. No further information was immediately available about the first incident.

Police said the groups consist of Black males and females between 14- and 20-years-old. No arrests have been made.

"If you're thinking of using your phone in a public place, take a look around," police advised in the alert.

Anyone with information about the crimes can contact Area Three detectives at 312-744-8263 about community alert #21-3-063.



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You've been "scruten'd," Madam Mayor



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

What a time. Anniversary time. Mayor Lightfoot, our 56th mayor, has just clocked two years in office. She's now ready to drop her thought bombs on the innocent public.

You know, the people who once gave her the benefit of the doubt on election day at the ballot box.

After two terms of Rahm Emanuel many Chicagoans were willing to give her a break, placing her on City Hall's 5th floor.

But if two years has taught us anything it's this: She has none of Harold Washington's refined political skills. And she has none of Jane Byrne's cozy people skills. Seems she has the correct ingredients, just not the winning proportions.

Maybe I just blinked and missed it, but has she ever smiled in office?

Has she ever lit up the room of down-and-out aldermen and revived them with her candor and humor? Remember Harold's "I deny the allegation. And I deny

the alligator?" I'm still laughing at that after more than three decades.

Harold lit up rooms and hearts. He knew how to engage people with humor. The hilarity of everyday life. Seeing the tidbits of living close at hand, he really delighted folk, even when angry or disappointed in him. He had a disarming way about him that Chicagoans needed. And liked. And trusted. He knew the two "Eddies," (Ed Burke and Ed Vrdolyak) were bullies, not racists. He relished the great tease.

Same can be said about Mayor Richard M. Daley. The son. You couldn't keep him from laughing. He knew laughter was healthy.

Like the score to a White Sox game, if you can banter baseball in Chicago, it's better than knowing where all the nuclear missiles are buried.

Daley, the younger, loved humor. He was enveloped in it. No matter what he did, malaproping his way around town, he was trusted because he could laugh at himself, or his elected colleagues in the Chicago City Council.

He knew the score up at Wrigley Field as well.

Remember when he was questioned in court by the feds? He later explained everything to Chicagoans when he said, "I was scruten'd." Everyone knew what he meant.

Successful politicians know when to laugh. They know that laughter is your best soundtrack.

Daley, the elder, was best heard surrounded by the "Lilt of Irish laughter." It was the glue of Mayor Richard J. Daley's historic decades of public service. Papa Daley understood that like no one else. He was adored. Trusted. Revered. From 1955 to 1976 all the way to the present. Take my

word for it, there would be no Latin School tents up in Lincoln Park today if he were still mayor. No matter what he did, he was cherished. Remember during the riots of 1968 when he said, "The police are not here to create disorder, they're here to preserve disorder."

Hearts were always opened to him. People knew what he meant.

Sadly, the opposite was true for Clinton operative Rahm Emanuel. He always had to be the smartest person in the room. But it always had the opposite effect.

No matter what he did, no one trusted or liked him, or had any loyalty to him in quite the same way as with the Daleys.

The Daleys knew all the punchlines and all the baseball scores. And that sometimes the best people make the worst decisions. And sometimes the worst people make the best decisions. They were real all day long.

People will stick by you in Chicago if they see you as real. For weal or woe. If they trust you, there's no going back. If they don't trust you, there's no chance you will succeed.

Tough lesson for everyone. Not least, now, Mayor Lightfingers.

I'm afraid she is setting her place in the life of Chicago the hard way: Shooting herself in the foot.

Actually both feet, by declaring she's only giving interviews to reporters of color. That's all we might remember about her 30 years from now.

As time unfolds we may also remember the large number of mayoral colleagues who have quit her employment, running out of their 5th floor offices for the private sector. Her intrusion into everyone's decision making is setting her leadership style in stone after just two years.



Harold Washington



Thomas Patrick Sullivan

ment concepts, the first of which was a three-tower layout with a maximum height of 940 feet. The second concept was a single tower filling the entire block, stretching 115 stories and 1,700 feet. While it's too early for any official proposals, this is what most any developer would be able to build.

GRANT PARK FESTIVAL: A Chicago tradition returns. The Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus return to Millennium Park with a thrilling lineup of festival favorites, including the Grieg Piano Concerto, the New World Symphony, the William Tell Overture, Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun plus plenty of family fun with Carnival of the Animals, Classic Broadway and the annual Independence Day Salute. July 2 to Aug. 21.

OLD TOWN ART FAIR: Art Fair Chair Anne Giffels noted that more than 200 artists have confirmed their participation and are looking forward to returning to Old Town.

PAX TIBI: Thomas Patrick Sullivan has gone to God this week at 91, after a lifetime of heroic service to his fellow man. Their rights and their liberties. I can think of no one who more exemplifies the traditions of his Catholic faith and his American legal ideals. You may remember him back in the late 1970s when

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Lincoln Square, we feel your pain

Those of us in East Lakeview can empathize with our neighbors in Lincoln Square when it comes to a sham "community-driven zoning process."

A couple of years ago, a suburban developer in lockstep with Ald. Tunney [44th] rolled out plans for a gigantic glass and steel apartment complex totally out of character with the neighborhood.

Next came the slick, carefully staged sales presentations disguised as community meetings.

Of course, the developer and the alderman had worked out all the details beforehand then made a few minuscule alterations to make the process appear participatory.

Neighborhood residents gathered hundreds of signatures in opposition to this project, all the while maintaining that we fully supported development, just not something this overwhelming.

We attended the meetings in force, wrote letters, some of us met privately with the alderman. Appealed to the zoning commissioner, testified before the Plan Commission and City Council Zoning Committee; in short, did just about everything good citizens are supposed to do to make

themselves heard.

We weren't naive; we knew what was coming but didn't want to roll over without a fight. (We sure could have used Maria Pappas!)

The zoning change sailed through the Plan Commission. Ald. Burnett [27th] told our people who attended the meeting we should be thankful we weren't getting a 20-story high-rise. The council committee, then the full body, applied their rubber stamps, and now our fears are coming to pass -- an overly large, ugly invader dwarfing the intersection of Broadway and Cornelia.

So to our friends to the northwest, all we can say is keep fighting, good luck, and maybe one of these times the outcome will be different. But I doubt it.

John F. Hogan
Lakeview East

Bias or bigotry?

Your story on the redeployment of Chicago police officers demonstrates the bias your reporters and columnists often exhibit. The report sites as an example of redeployment to "sitting on a corner in Lawndale." I suppose you have no problem with officers sitting on the corners of Oak and Rush or State and Bellevue, which they do every day, as a misallocation of resources? Why only to a South Side neighborhood that desperately needs these resources? Implicit bias or blatant bigotry?

Mark Harry
Gold Coast

Letters to the Editor



Before Argo



After Argo

Connors Park before and after Argo Tea.

Thanks Felicia, now for the next fight

A big thank you to Felicia Dechter for reporting so frequently on Chicago parks. Now Connors Park desperately needs your attention.

Argo Tea has destroyed it. Their deal with the city allowed them to put up a huge building that engulfed the fountain and pergola and seating.

Now that building is locked, the remnant fountain is turned off and inaccessible, and only

a few benches are left outside. The park looks like something in a war zone.

Yes, Connors Park had become shabby and neglected. But public parks are a precious resource that the city should have protected. Argo Tea should be required to step in and right the wrong.

Hallie Metzger
Gold Coast

Are alderman ready to enrich the Daleys?

Although Messrs. Martin and Vasquez were not in office when City of Chicago zoning laws enriched the Daley family, they are getting ready to rig it so the Daleys' Friends, Family Plan get a BIG payday.

In a previous Play to Play scam, Mayor Daley sold the Grant Park Parking Garages to a private firm. What he didn't tell anyone, is that the City of Chicago included an illegal clause that the City would not permit another public parking garage to be built nearby.

Well, the City did. And the new owners of the Grant Park parking garages sued. The owners of the new parking garage also sued. And who was one of the attorneys of one of the companies that was victorious in its lawsuit against the City of Chicago? Are you ready?

Michael Daley. The Michael Daley who just so happened to grow up in the very same bungalow on S. Lowe Ave. as the then Mayor of Chicago, Richie Daley.

What a coincidence! Well, Martin and Vasquez are pushing for an illegal deal to enrich you know who again. They are pushing to seize the parking lot at 4715 N. Western Ave., that was assembled with federal funds and eminent domain lawsuits and give it away to an out-of-town developer.

Why would they do that? Are

there some local people connected to this Pay to Play scam?

You betcha!

One of the gentleman involved is named Nash. Now The Community Builders [TCB] website says Mr. Nash is one of its directors. The website also says Mr. Nash has worked as an investment banker, an officer at Chase Bank and as a Commissioner of the Chicago Housing Authority [CHA].

Now here is where the coincidences getting interesting.

The Daleys' brother, William, was also an officer at Chase Bank.

The CHA has recently blessed TCB with tax credits for its development at 4715 N. Western Ave. Would it be a coincidence if TCB also received Tax Increment Financing funds, housing fees or, be still my heart, "management fees"?

But an interesting part of this parking lot is that it was leased to LAZ in the dreaded parking meter deal. A recently disclosed secret part of the lease was a clause that the company be reimbursed for all metered parking spots taken out of service temporarily or permanently.

LAZ does not have to donate them to a developer. LAZ does not have to accept replacement spots up by Howard and Western, no matter what the local alder-

man may say.

The going rate is \$600,000 per spot. There are over 40 spots in that lot.

That is over \$28 million, that the City, meaning us taxpayers, would have to pony up. That is a heck of a ride to be taken for. That would pay for half of a new public College Prep High School. Maybe at the closed Gordon Tech Campus at Addison and California. It could double the enrollment of Lane Tech College Prep. Or maybe even at the huge, unused parking lot north of Montrose in Lincoln Park. Maybe even the Tempel Steel plant for sale in Andersonville.

Now what if LAZ doesn't sue? Well, ask their attorneys at Katten Munchen. Who is "Of Counsel" at that firm?

Richie Daley. From the little bungalow on S. Lowe Ave.

Anybody want to place a bet?

Michael Sullivan

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Volunteer Bridget McMullen said creating a haven for butterflies is "magical."



Left to right: Lending some habitat helping hands are Julian Moyer, Joe Moyer, Katrina Kemble and Danny Newman.



Volunteering to create a butterfly sanctuary on a recent weekend were, left to right: Ellen Baren, Alison Zehr, Diana Berek, Omer Vulic, John Evans, Alex Georgescu.



Artist Molly McGrath's award-winning artwork.

A lively little haven for both butterflies and people



Heart of the 'Hood
by Felicia Dechter

On a couple of recent weekend mornings, dedicated Rogers Park volunteers were fluttering about in the tiny Circle Park at Morse Ave. and the lakefront.

They were spreading their gardening wings, planting away, creating a colorful, welcoming sanctuary for butterflies. And besides our winged friends loving it, the prettied-up park is a charming spot for humans too.

It sits at the end of a cul-de-sac street, and because the adjacent Loyola Park is usually the main attraction, Circle Park often goes unnoticed, which, of course is a blessing for those who love its peacefulness.

And those who know the little park, as my family has called it for four decades or so, really love it. And now, the butterflies can fancy it too.

"I would like to see it be a place of beauty and solace," said Alison Zehr, a Rogers Park resident who is sort of the leader of the gardening pack at the park.

Zehr is also a founder of the now defunct Rogers Park Garden Group (RPGG), which operated for about a dozen years until closing down around 15 years ago. The group was just forming when a close neighbor passed out notices asking if people wanted to come and help rejuvenate Circle Park.

"These gardens were just weed patches," recalled Zehr, who researched plants and flowers that would best attract butterflies. You can find, among others, Aster, Black Eyed Susan, Goldenrod, Phlox, Sage, Milkweed, Catmint and more.

When RPGG -- which gave away about

\$40,000 to Rogers Parkers who wanted to plant in the public way -- shut down, Zehr asked the group to use what was left of its cash for the Circle Park gardens. They purchased "wonderful plants" she said. And all of these years later, RPGG still had some leftover cash and helped purchase the new butterfly-attracting plants and some mulch to help the park undergo its metamorphosis. (The RPGG's Adopt the Public Way Program was the start of the Circle Gardens and has contributed funds to it since 2008. The program gave out 132 grants for a total of \$38,460 over 11 years).

"We hope to use this as a way for anybody coming to the park once or over many times can learn something, maybe find plants they'd like to plant in their own yard," said Zehr, who would also love to see musicians playing quiet, soothing music there and hopes an active volunteer group will take responsibility for Circle Park and carry it on with colorful, interesting plants.

Nearby neighbor Danny Newman said he was there because, "the butterfly is my spirit animal." Bridget McMullen stopped by to lend a hand saying: "I think it's like magical they do this and they need volunteers to help out. It's very exciting. I never knew how this came to be." Ten-year-old Julian Moyer came with his dad, Joe, because he "likes butterflies."

John Evans is a neighbor who, like Zehr, has also poured his heart and soul into the Circle Park gardens. At times, sometimes it was just the two of them out there, and apparently, according to Zehr, that prompted Evans to nickname himself, "The Labor."

"I'm not sure where it came from, but we love this quiet space," said Evans. "I want it to be a place where neighbors can meet and enjoy this neighborhood."

I think it will be a mission accomplished, John. See you folks there. And thanks!

Anyone who would like to help can fol-

low and send them a message on Facebook at Circle Gardens in Loyola Park.



John Lamping

Tree huggers, thank you... a Common Hackberry was recently planted in Loyola Park in memory of my late neighbor John Lamping. John's townhouse was on the park and he truly was a park lover. The tree is visible from John's house and was planted by his friends "in loving memory."

Congrats... to awesome artist Molly McGrath, who recently took Second Place

in the Arc of Illinois' Art Show. McGrath's donated piece sold to a supporter of the organization, which advocates for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Her mom, Bonnie McGrath, must be so proud!

Picture Im-Perfect... a recent conversation I was privy to about a local realtor who was still using an old photo being deceiving led me to think about my own vintage column pic.

Yes, this is an aged picture of me. I'm not photogenic at all and there is yet to be a good photo of me taken. Believe me I have tried.

When I first started writing this column, one of my former Columbia College teachers emailed me and told me, "Get a new picture!" So I did. And after a few changes throughout the last 25 years, I really need another new one.

So bear with me folks. Eventually, I will replace this column photo. If you meet me, yes, I'm an oldie (but goodie).

Until then, I'll stay forever young... at least in print.



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he served as U.S. Attorney where he began Operation Greylord. He was a partner at Jenner and Block for 67 years. Carried the humanist reason of a Notre Dame graduate far beyond football to wherever human rights were imperiled. From the trial of the Chicago 7 to inmates at Guantanamo. He was a man of humble ambitions and heroic achievements. Such a life permits great hope. Peace to him and all who loved loved this saintly man. He really did wake up the echoes.



J William Curran

LOLLAPALOOZA: The traditional summer fest is returning to Grant Park July 29 to Aug. 1. Attendees will have to be fully vaccinated or provide a negative COVID-19 test result to get in. The result must be obtained within 24 hours of going to Lolla each day.

THE CATS IN THE HATS:

What's your favorite? The sombrero? The beret? The 10-gallon? The silk turban? A ruffled cap of feathers and bows? Well, at Service Club, go Chicago, hats of all shapes and textures herald the arrival of Spring. Last week's Spring Hat Lunch was inspiring, a huge success. Pointing the elegant direction to helping others survive the most difficult of hardships.



Kathy O'Malley Piccone

Thanks for your response. **Sherill Bodine** and Luncheon Co-Chairs, **Michelle Baker, Cathy Bartholomay** and **Annette Findling** are grateful for your support. To name but a few fancy ladies in fancy hats: **Diane O'Connell, Peggy Lombardo, Lynn McKeane, Kathy O'Malley Piccone, Sherry Lea Fox, Anne Kahn, Julie Barish, Frances Renk.**

PRAYERS FOR ROCKING HEAVEN: **Bea Cunningham** has been the wise, comforting, loving voice of heaven for decades at Old St. Patrick's Church.

Dear Bea was seriously injured in a terrible auto crash in Grand Rapids, MI, recently. Keep her in your prayers. Whisper her name in God's ear.

THE BEST: Chicago is still America's best secret and tastiest hope. Bang Bang Pie and Biscuits, 2051 N. California Ave., Strawberry/Rhubarb is tops. Rose Royale Cocktail: sparkling French rose with Pamplemousse, Grand Marnier, Champagne and grapefruit peel, beyond refreshing. Grilled (bacalao) Cod Sicilian style, mashed potatoes and spinach. Finest of fish. Via Carducci, 1928 W. Division St.

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INSIDE PUBLICATIONS

Chanler at Cliff Walk in historic Golden Age Newport, RI, Chicago writer **Sherill Bodine** and **Demma Davis** enjoying all that Lobster and Champagne... **Francoise Gillot**, about to turn 100, paints every day on the Upper West Side of NYC, long **Picasso's** mistress and muse, and mother of his children, **Pablo Picasso, Jr.**, and Tiffany jewelry designer **Paloma Picasso**... **Cynthia Olson** visiting family in the great outdoors of Colorado... **Hector Gustavo Cardenas** and **Marius Morkvenas** at the Andean Inca Citadel, the historic Machu Picchu in Peru... **Anne Kavanaugh** at



Bethany Florek, Sherrill Bodine and Lauren Lein Cavanaugh.

Denison Univ. in Granville, OH, for daughter **Sianna's** graduation... **Ralph Iacono** celebrating 96 years, with son **Paul Iacono**... **Sean Eshaghy** soaking up the rooftop sun at Soho House... **J William Curran** in the soft light at famed Annabelle's Club in London's Mayfair... **Bobbi Panter** and **Matt Arnoux** on the town in LA with **Jill Talley** (Spongebob) and **Tom Kenny** at the POLO Lounge in Beverly Hills... Congrats to the other **William Curran**, my "cousin Billy", who shot his 4th Hole in One, his feet no longer touch the ground.

KISS & TELL: Who's the boyish Chicago attorney (UVA) who recently raised funds for charity the old-fashioned way? Smooching with very wet lips. Trying to appeal to the high schooler in each of us and eclipsing his fellow contestants with the large number of busboys from Chicago eateries who stood in line for a smooch.

SAFE TO EAT AGAIN? : The Tribune has hired two new food critics. **Nick Kindelsperger** and **Louisa Chu**. This ought to be good. Should take some time

to ripen. Careful, the paper will probably short change them.

RIP MAX MOSLEY: My friend, the late **Desmond Guinness**, and **Max Mosley**, who died last week at 81, shared many things. After all, they were half brothers. They did not share the gilded Guinness DNA or last names, but they did share the same mother, once considered the most beautiful woman in the world. **Lady Diana Mitford Guinness Mosley**. Desmond took all his charm, elegance and beauty from her, as well as his fortified Guinness blue blood. I always felt Max was shortchanged in that department. Absorbing much of his father's cryptic bullying and swagger. There wasn't much you could do with **Sir Oswald Mosley** as your father. As leader of the British fascist party,



Hector Gustavo Cardenas and Marius Morkvenas.



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he exercised a nightmare existence in the days before World War II as **Adolph Hitler's** spokesperson and disseminator of Third Reich propaganda. Divorced from **Bryan Guinness**, Diana was ripe for falling under Mosley's Nazi spell. Desmond and his brother **Jonathan, Lord Moyne**, were small boys when she wed Mosley in Hitler's library in Berchtesgaden, in Germany. The famed Eagle's Nest. When Prime Minister **Winston Churchill**, a cousin, was alerted to the news, he had the bride and groom imprisoned for the duration of the war. The Mosleys had become the enemy. When peace was restored and Hitler was gone, Diana and Oswald raised a fresh family, three Mosley boys, **Max, Nick** and young **Oswald**. Diana lived in Paris for the rest of her life. The Mosley boys grew up in a world far from the dark tides of their parents politics. Max made quite a name for himself in the world of professional car racing, Formula One.

Never very far from fresh scandals and moral outrages. Desmond, as usual, treated Max with the courtesy and dignity he ladled on everyone. Lady Diana Mitford Guinness Mosley died in Paris, in 2003, the summer of scorching temperatures and unbearable conditions.

LE JAZZ HOT: **Barb Bailey** was singing last week with a remarkable group of singers: **Lynne Jordan, Carla Gordon, Sami Scot Stewart, Scott Gryder, Nick Sula** and **Russ Goeltenbodt**. She also got to hang out with some of the great names of American jazz, like legendary singer **Blanche Blacke** and **Andreas**. All part of the magic at Le Piano, 6970 N. Glenwood Ave.

MR. KELLY'S: Chicago music man **Russ Goeltenbodt** says, "The Mr. Kelly's documentary sparked many great memories of the industry icons who headlined there over the years. Fortunately I attended the special tribute at Gibson's Steakhouse featuring **Denise Tomasello** and the **Nick Sula Trio**. Some of the documentary was filmed that night. Denise was the featured as the finale, saving the best for last."

Imagination was given to man to compensate him for what he isn't. A sense of humor was provided to console him for what he is. - **Horace Walpole** tog515@gmail.com

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Role of the Wellness Nurse Navigator at The Clare

Overall wellness for residents of The Clare encompasses many facets, from an active lifestyle and healthy dining options to stimulating social interactions.

Of course, maintaining health at its core is a critical wellness component, too, which is where Chantelly Johnson, RN, Wellness Nurse Navigator at The Clare, steps in.

“My main duty is to act as a health liaison for residents of The Clare to help them navigate their health care needs,” she says. “This means being an advocate for them to make sure that they’re able to maintain independence as safely as they can.”

Chantelly is charged first and foremost with running the Wellness Center at The Clare, which is open daily from 9am to 3pm. In recent months, as The Clare navigated the pandemic, the community’s Wellness Center served as a source for COVID-19 testing for residents. Otherwise, residents are free to walk in for anything and everything



Chantelly Johnson, RN, Wellness Nurse Navigator at The Clare.

from vital sign and blood sugar checks to wound dressing changes and any medical-related questions.

“It’s convenient for residents, because they don’t have to leave the comfort of their home,” Chantelly says. “They can simply come down for a checkup, and we can determine next steps from there, whether that’s sending out to urgent care or continuing to monitor symptoms.”

This convenience is certainly appreciated by residents.

“When it’s important information, get it from a professional,” says resident Beth Mitchell. “We’re fortunate to have those people right here at The Clare. An elevator ride to the Wellness Center can bring comfort in a matter of minutes.”

Another important aspect of the Wellness Nurse Navigator role at The Clare is facilitating resident transitions from hospital stays back home to ensure they go as smoothly and seamlessly as possible. Whether a resident has a planned surgery or makes an unexpected trip to the emer-

gency room, Chantelly checks in, consults follow-up orders from doctors and helps to arrange for therapy services or home health care as needed.

“Following my experiences with Chantelly in the Wellness Center after major surgeries, the benefits of moving to The Clare have been reaffirmed,” says resident Carolyn Rusnak. “She dispenses skill and guidance, along with peace of mind. I am most grateful.”

This may alternately entail referring residents to private duty caregiving agencies, such as Custom Home Care, which provides concierge-style a la carte services in increments of 15 minutes to 24 hours, depending on the task or level of care needed. Residents may need assistance with bathing and getting dressed for a couple of days after a hospital visit, or perhaps they require medication management for a short period of time each day.

“We make sure that we continue following up with them when they’re home so that they return to healthy, safe, independent day-to-day life,” Chantelly says.

The Clare also welcomes a variety of visiting medical providers each month, including podiatrists, dentists, dermatolo-

gists and audiologists, among others. Chantelly is responsible for coordinating and advertising their hours and appointments, and she can also arrange for a visiting lab technician from Northwestern Medicine to complete lab orders per doctor requests. These ancillary services are yet another way of promoting physical wellness for residents right in the community they call home.

Additionally, Chantelly coordinates health-related programming that stems from resident interest and feedback in a monthly series called “To Your Health.” Recent topics have included grief and loss, sleep medicine and an overview of life care offered at The Clare.

Ultimately, the Wellness Nurse Navigator at The Clare wears many hats, but Chantelly’s main purpose is simple: promoting independence and confidence among residents that their health is in their own hands.

“A lot of what I do is provide support for residents, so they know they’re taken care of and have a resource here for them,” Chantelly says.

Want or need to retire early? Tips on how to pay for it

BY ALAN BECKER

Chicago is a very expensive city to live in. Delaying retirement has become common for many locals, either because they saved too little or they just want to continue working because they enjoy it.

Others go in the opposite direction. They retire early – sometimes out of choice but often because their health or the economy forces it.

While early retirement might sound appealing, it can be a struggle for those who don’t have sufficient income to pay their bills. That is why if you are weighing the pros and cons of early retirement, you need to get a good handle on your potential sources of income.

You may find you lack what you need – an especially unnerving conclusion if early retirement isn’t really a choice.

But don’t despair just yet. It’s also possible you have more income options than you realize. Those can be broken down into the categories of bridge income, fixed income, guaranteed income, and speculative income.

Let’s take a look at each to see whether they fit into your situation – and possibly your early retirement plans.

Bridge income

To support yourself in early retirement, you may need to tap into your assets sooner than planned – essentially bridging the gap until your other expected retirement income sources kick in. Fortunately there are ways to do that without incurring penalties for early withdrawal. For example, if you retire

before you’re eligible for Social Security and Medicare, you can withdraw money from your traditional IRA before age 59½ without paying the 10 percent penalty. That’s because of something called the 72(t) provision. Similarly, the Rule of 55 allows you to withdraw money from your 401(k) or 403(b) without penalty if you are between ages 55 and 59½ and have been fired, laid off, or quit your job. While you avoid penalties with these strategies, you still have to pay taxes on those withdrawals.

Fixed income

One example of fixed income is real estate rentals. Certainly, there are downsides to being a landlord, but those who manage it right and carefully screen tenants may find this can provide a reliable income. Owning rental properties can come with tax advantages. Beyond that, the property’s value typically appreciates in a strong market, making it a potential long-term investment. If need be, you can sell it later in life to pay for such expenses as health or long-term care costs. If you don’t like the idea of handling upkeep and dealing with tenants yourself, you could hire a property management company, but that may add to your expenses.

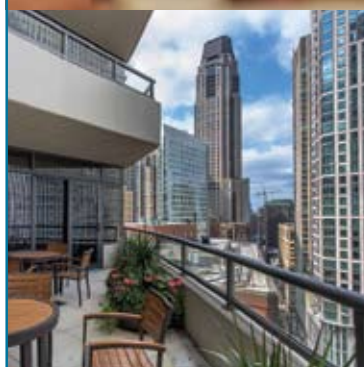
Guaranteed income

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Police Beat...

Armed crew pulls off five carjackings and robberies in 2 hours

Two suspects are in custody following a series of armed carjackings and robberies May 26 across Bucktown, West Town, and the Loop. No injuries were reported, but police logged at least four hijackings and one armed robbery during the two-hour spree.

It all started on the 1400 block of W. Hubbard around 4:45 p.m. That's where a woman reported three men armed with a gun tried to take her car at gunpoint. They failed to get her car and fled in a white Kia Sportage that would later be used in the other crimes, according to a CPD report. A witness told police that the men tried to carjack another driver, too, but that effort also failed. The man did not file a police report.

At 5 p.m., the Kia, which was taken in an earlier carjacking, pulled in front of a driver at a stop sign and blocked her path in the 2000 block of W. Moffat in Bucktown, according to police. Three men got out of the SUV, and one of them ordered the 51-year-old woman out of her 2019 Mercedes GLC 350, according to a CPD statement. Two hijackers fled in the Kia while the third drove away with the woman's SUV.

Then, around 5:40 p.m., two men jumped out of a white SUV and tried to carjack a woman on the 300 block of N. Hoyne in West Town, according to a police report. She ran into a nearby business to get help, and the offenders drove away.

The crew traveled to the Loop, where two men who jumped out of a white Mercedes SUV and robbed a woman at gunpoint at the BP station, 50 W. Ida B. Wells Dr. around 6:25 p.m.

Afterward, they returned to Bucktown and carjacked a 44-year-old woman of her Volkswagen Atlas SUV on the 2000 block of N. Damen around 6:45 p.m.

Police used various tactics, including CPD's license plate reader and camera networks, to track the stolen Volkswagen across the city. Cops eventually closed in on the car in an East Garfield Park alley and took two suspects into custody.

Prosecutors approved one count of aggravated vehicular hijacking with a firearm against a 16-year-old boy in connection with the Volkswagen carjacking, police said. Detectives are continuing to investigate the crimes and more charges may be forthcoming.

17 charged in drug ring, Uptown site raided by feds

A joint federal and local drug trafficking investigation has resulted in federal charges against 17 individuals for distributing or attempting to distribute heroin and cocaine in Chicago.

During the multi-year probe, dubbed "Operation Tragic Blow," law enforcement seized multiple kilograms of heroin and cocaine, including a two-kilogram heroin seizure in a high-rise apartment building in Chicago's Buena Park neighborhood of Uptown.

Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces operation, which investigates high-level criminal and drug-related organizations, officials said.

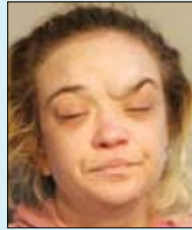
On Sept. 17, 2020, Margarito

Galeana-Gomez, 36, of Mexico, and Jose Gonzaga, 58, of Chicago, allegedly attempted to sell heroin to an undercover officer, which led to the seizure of packaged narcotics on the 27th floor of a high-rise apartment in the 4200 block of N. Marine Dr. The feds discovered supplies used to package narcotics, including a heat sealer, vacuum sealer rolls, and a digital scale, the complaint states.

Woman stole "large volumes" of mail and packages from residential buildings in Uptown, Edgewater

Charges have been filed against a woman who allegedly stole large volumes of mail from residential buildings in Uptown and Edgewater this year. Chicago police and federal law enforcement agencies have issued several bulletins about similar crimes in recent months.

Casey Martin, 35, used a postal service master key or tool to open entire banks of mailboxes inside large housing complexes at least six times since January, Assistant State's Attorney Andrea Williams said.



Casey Martin

On January 15, Martin forced open banks of mailboxes in a high-rise building on the 4900 block of N. Marine, according to Williams. The same day, Martin allegedly raided 57 mailboxes inside an apartment building on the 5600 block of N. Winthrop.

She's accused of committing similar crimes at buildings in the 800 block of W. Argyle on March 9, and the 5800 block of N. Sheridan and the 900 block of W. Winona on April 17.

Williams said video cameras recorded most of the burglaries, and some footage clearly shows Martin's face, distinct features, and tattoos. Martin, who does not work for the postal service, was carrying a bag containing over \$2,300 worth of methamphetamine when police arrested her, Williams alleged.

Prosecutors charged Martin with six counts of felony burglary, two counts of resisting police, driving on a revoked license, and possession of methamphetamine. Judge Charles Beach set her bail at \$50,000. Martin will need to post a \$5,000 deposit to get out of jail.

Williams said she has seven prior felony convictions, including identity theft cases in 2018, 2016, and 2013, along with forgery counts in 2006 and 2004.

Prosecutors also charged 42-year-old Paul Atou with helping Martin commit the April 17 burglaries. Judge Susana Ortiz released Atou on his own recognizance.

Dozens of car windows broken in Lakeview and Lincoln Park

At least 24 residents of Lakeview and Lincoln Park awoke May 25 to discover that someone had broken windows out of their cars overnight. Police took reports for at least 20 of the cases, according to CPD spokesperson Sally Bown.

She said officers took reports for six vehicles damaged on the 2900 block of N. Damen, two vehicles on the 3300 block of N. Marshfield, and thirteen vehicles on the 2700 block of N. Racine. Car windows were also smashed on the 1400 block of W. School and the 1400 block of W. Henderson.

Police categorized most of the incidents as criminal damage to property, suggesting the break-ins were not motivated by theft.

This is not the first time we've reported on something like this. A man named Patrick Newton has been arrested repeatedly in connection with

broken car window sprees across the city and suburbs.

In May 2019, police issued a community alert after car windows were broken with rocks on the Far North Side. Newton was eventually charged with eight counts of felony criminal damage to property in connection with those cases.

Newton eventually pleaded guilty to three felony counts of criminal damage to property in exchange for three one-year sentences that he served concurrently. According to Illinois Dept. of Corrections records, he reported to prison on July 6, 2020, and was released the same day.

State authorities currently list him as a parole absconder, meaning nobody knows where he is.

30 months probation for driver who struck and killed 93-year-old Edgewater woman

A driver who struck and killed a 93-year-old woman in Edgewater has pleaded guilty to reckless homicide with a motor vehicle in exchange for a sentence of 30-months probation, court records show. Judge James Obbish also ordered Rayon Allen to participate in a victim impact panel, submit to random drug tests, provide a DNA sample for indexing, and get permission from authorities before leaving the state.



Rayon Allen

Allen was a 29-year-old college student and an off-duty rideshare driver when he allegedly ran over Lorraine Campione as she crossed a residential driveway in the 5500 block of N. Sheridan around 11:20 a.m. Sept. 24, 2018.

Police said two other drivers yielded to allow Campione to cross the drive, but Allen made an improper left turn, overtook a vehicle on the left, and struck her as she walked, police said. The collision was recorded by surveillance cameras at the Edgewater Beach Apartments, according to court records.

After striking Campione, Allen continued to drive forward, which caused her body to become wedged under his front left tire, police said. Allen got out of his SUV and tried to remove Campione by pulling on her leg, according to witnesses. When that failed, he allegedly tried to take other motorists' cars.

Campione was pronounced dead at St. Francis Hospital about nine hours after the accident, according to Cook County Medical Examiner records.

Police launch investigation after woman found dead in parked car

Police are conducting a death investigation after a woman was found dead inside a car parked in Lakeview, police said. A man called 911 after noticing an unresponsive person inside a gold-colored Cadillac on the 3000 block of N. Clifton shortly after 4 p.m. May 25.

Fire department personnel pronounced the woman dead based on conditions inside the vehicle, according to a source. Police believe the 41-year-old had been in the car for a matter of days. According to initial information from the scene, the vehicle is registered to a man who has an address in the South Shore neighborhood.

A witness at the scene said investigators opened the vehicle's trunk around 8:30 p.m. and he saw them remove a firearm from the trunk, but police have not confirmed this information.

The body, which was in the vehicle's passenger seat with all of the doors

locked, appeared to have "some injury to her neck area," according to a CPD statement. Area Three detectives are investigating.

Sixth May shooting in Rogers Park Sunday evening

Police are investigating Rogers Park's sixth shooting of the month after a 27-year-old man was shot near Pottawatomie Park May 30. No arrests have been announced in any of the cases.

Police said Sunday's victim was on a sidewalk when he heard gunfire around 7:18 p.m. Witnesses said someone fired the shots from a gray or silver compact car that fled northbound on Winchester after the shooting. Investigators found six shell casings in the street outside the park.

The victim, who lives in the area, was taken to St. Francis Hospital in Evanston with five gunshot wounds — two in the chest and one each in his left knee, right ankle, and back, according to a CPD report. Police said he was in "stable" condition.

Five other people have been shot in Rogers Park during May: on May 22, a 16-year-old boy was shot and a 12-year-old girl was cut by flying glass after a drive-by gunman opened fire on a home in the 2000 block of W. Touhy.

Two men were injured in separate drive-by shootings late on May 15 and early on May 15, according to police. Both victims were in good condition.

A 32-year-old man told police he was shot as he got out of his car in the 1500 block of W. Howard around 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 15. And a 19-year-old man was shot as he stood in the 1400 block of W. Jonquil Terrace 2:06 a.m. May 19.

Rogers Park has recorded 10 shooting victims and one homicide this year through May 30, according to city records. The homicide victim was fatally stabbed. By comparison, the area had six shooting and homicide victims at this point last year, two in 2019, nine in 2018, and four in 2017. Both 2015 and 2016 had 12 cases through May 30.

Rogers Park man charged with series of burglaries and thefts

A Rogers Park man is charged with committing a series of burglaries and thefts over the past two years on the Far North Side and in Skokie, including two in the apartment building where he lives, prosecutors said.

Police began to investigate Cordell Sims after one of his neighbors recognized him as he stole a package in their building's vestibule on March 30, prosecutors said. Starting with information provided by that victim, police used surveillance videos, pawnshop records, and credit card transaction details to bring a host of felony charges against Sims on Thursday, according to detail provided during his bond court hearing.



Cordell Sims

"This was an ongoing crime spree for lack of a better term," Judge Charles Beach said after hearing the state's allegations. Beach set bail at \$45,000 and said Sims would have to go on electronic monitoring if he can post the 10% deposit bond to get out of jail.

The earliest allegation against Sims stems from a July 15, 2019, burglary on the 1700 block of W. Morse. There, a 78-year-old man saw someone inside his home via a remote security app and later discovered a bike and \$750 missing. Prosecutors said Sims is the burglar who's seen on the victim's surveillance video.

A couple of weeks later, Sims allegedly broke into a garage and stole

two bikes and two PlayStations on the 1800 block of W. Pratt. The burglar's getaway car bore license plates registered to Sims' wife, and a pawnshop had transaction records showing Sims as the person who sold one of the gaming consoles after the break-in, prosecutors said.

In Sept. 2019, a Skokie woman who went to sleep with her windows open woke up and realized that her purse was not where she left it. When she found it on a nearby ottoman, three credit cards were missing. Prosecutors said surveillance videos show Sims using the woman's stolen cards at a gas station and Walmart.

Last June, Sims allegedly broke into Devon Market, 1440 W. Devon, around 4:45 a.m. and stole a juicer that he later pawned. He presented his own state ID to conduct the transaction, and the shop's surveillance video shows distinctive tattoos on his neck, prosecutors said.

The two most recent thefts took place in the apartment building where Sims lives on the 7300 block of N. Ridge. Prosecutors said building surveillance video shows him stealing two packages from the lobby on December 18, which contained \$4,270 worth of jewelry.

Then, on March 30, a woman allegedly saw him steal a package that contained her new \$2,000 phone from the building. Prosecutors said the woman saw him take the package, open it, then try to escape in a black car while she ran behind him taking pictures.

Sims, 40, was convicted of two residential burglaries in Will County in 2012 and received a nine-year sentence. His parole in those cases ended in August 2019 — about a month after the newly-alleged crimes began.

He is charged with three counts of burglary, two counts of felony theft, and one count of unlawful use of a debit or credit card.

River North man shot girlfriend after weekend BBQ

A River North man who has 11 felony convictions is now charged with attempted murder for allegedly shooting his girlfriend during an argument near his downtown apartment. Keith Longstreet, 37, was ordered held without bail by Cook County Judge David Navarro.

Prosecutors said Longstreet's 35-year-old girlfriend joined a group of people for a barbecue at his apartment in the 300 block of W. Illinois on May 22. The gathering broke up around 1 a.m. May 23 and Longstreet began insulting and yelling at the woman as she and other partygoers walked down the sidewalk, Assistant State's Attorney Lindsey Patton said.

At one point, the woman threw water on Longstreet and slapped his face, Patton continued. Longstreet allegedly punched the woman, grabbed her by the hair, and threw her to the ground. Another member of the group stepped in to break it up, and Longstreet returned to his apartment building, Patton continued.

A few minutes later, Longstreet returned to the group on the 200 block of W. Illinois, pulled a gun from his waistband, and held the weapon to his girlfriend's face, Patton said. He allegedly threatened to kill the woman and others who were with her.

Patton said Longstreet began to walk away, then turned around and fired several shots at the group. One bullet hit his girlfriend in the back, pierced her liver, and lodged

Services June 11 for noted Lincoln Park veterinarian

**Dr. Ronald Horning,
dies at 88**

BY PATRICK BUTLER

Services will be held for Dr. Ronald Horning, 88, at Fourth Presbyterian Church, Friday June 11.

Dr. Horning, a prominent and much loved veterinarian, long-time resident of Lincoln Park, and long active in the Lake View Kiwanis Club, died May 25 after a brief battle with cancer.

Born in Canada to parents Frank and Doris Horning, Dr. Horning grew up in Palmerston, then a railroad hub where many of his family members worked on the railroad.

After graduating from high school, Dr. Horning attended the Ontario Veterinary College (Now the Univ. of Guelph), before interning in Indiana, then moving to Chicago, where he

became head veterinarian at the then newly created Anti-Cruelty Society.

In 1963, he went out on his own to create the Near North Animal Hospital, now at Wells and Division streets.

During his 50 years caring for his four-legged patients, he was known for his lighthearted bedside manner, according to his wife Karen and two children, Scott and Jennifer.

An active member in the community, Dr. Horning was a member of the Kiwanis Club for over 60 years, in recent years with the Kiwanis Club of Lake View, and served as president of the Kiwanis Club of Chicago in 1967 after holding several other offices.

In 1974, he became president of Chicago's 300-plus member Chicago Veterinary Medical Assoc.

He became an American citizen in 1970, yet remained proud



Dr. Ronald Horning

of his Canadian heritage, often traveling back to Ontario to visit family and friends and remained a member of the Univ. of Guelph Alumni Association. He was also a congregant of the Fourth Presbyterian Church for 53 years.

A longtime Chicago Cubs fan, Dr. Horning also enjoyed skiing (no surprise there) and frequently stayed at his second home in Union Pier, MI.

Over \$5M in TIF tax funds proposed for three local parks

More than \$5 million in spending for three local Chicago parks would be made possible through Tax Increment Financing (TIF) proposals introduced to City Council May 26.

The proposed financing would help the Chicago Park District to make upgrades at Legion Park, 5501 N. Kedzie Ave., which would be allocated \$2 million in tax funds to stabilize the shoreline of

the North Branch of the Chicago River, to remove invasive species and restore natural habitat, and to create a multi-use trail.

The project is adjacent to the Northside College Prep campus.

River Park, 5100 N. Francisco Ave., would be allocated \$750,000 in tax funds to support park boat house improvements. The upgrades would enhance boat storage and water access for

Park District paddling program participants.

Ronan Park, 3000 W. Argyle St., would be allocated \$3.5 million for community garden improvements, a new riverfront plaza, a new performance pavilion, and related landscape improvements.

The cost of all three projects would be entirely funded with property tax funds.

Rideshare surge pricing is blatantly predatory

BY ALD. BRENDAN REILLY
[42ND]

Last week we introduced legislation to place a "fee cap" on Rideshare Surge Pricing that companies like Uber and Lyft charge passengers during times of peak demand – often during rush hour, evening and weekends. Local consumers are complaining Uber and Lyft's "surge pricing" has gotten out of control.

We've receiving reports of Uber and Lyft passengers paying a small fortune for short trips. Trips that were normally priced at \$15 are now being charged at "surge prices" around \$40. That surge pricing isn't just exorbitant, it is blatantly predatory.

When "Rideshare Platforms" like Uber and Lyft came to Chicago – they were considered a welcome market entrant. People were eager for the taxicab monopolies to face competition – which would force taxicabs to improve reliability and the services they provide. Initially, this new competition had a positive effect for consumers. The reliability and service improved among the taxicab fleets after feeling the pressure from their rideshare competitors. Over time, the imbalance of

the heavy regulation of the Taxicab Industry coupled with the lax regulation of the Rideshare Industry took its toll and the taxicab fleets started to disappear.

Then the Pandemic hit. Central business districts across the country 'closed for business' and millions of commuters were working from home and the Taxicab Industry collapsed. Now, today, monopoly rideshare companies have all but vanquished and replaced

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their predecessors in the Cab Industry. And, once again, Chicago consumers have fewer options.

My ordinance would require Transportation Network Provider [TNP] licensees to notify the Commissioner of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection of each regular fare rate used by the licensee for each vehicle class (i.e. "black car" vs. "sedan") and type of service (i.e., "pool" rides vs. single rides).

While TNPs would still be able to use a dynamic pricing model, or "surge pricing," increases would be capped at 150% of their current regular fare rate. For example, if the regular cost of a trip is \$10, the maximum surge price

for that same trip would be \$15. TNPs would be allowed to increase their regular fare rates, but only after filing the rate change with the Commissioner.

If a TNP licensee violates this section, they would be subject to a fine of \$100 for each fare charged in violation, regardless of the amount charged to the customer in excess of the cap. Additionally, if a TNP licensee violates the section on three separate days within any 12-month period, they would be subject to a penalty.

For example, if a TNP charged a rate that is 200% of its regular rate on a particular day, and 30 rides were charged such at such rate, the fine would be \$3,000, but the TNP would only receive one "strike" towards suspension, recission, non-renewal, or revocation of their license.

In 2019, we introduced another ordinance to protect rideshare users from fake TNP providers. Several individuals were pretending to be Uber or Lyft drivers and picking up drunk individuals and robbing them. Drivers found guilty of impersonating TNPs will receive a penalty of a \$10,000-\$20,000 fine and up to 180 days in jail.

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Woman found dead in Lakeview was murdered

BY CWBCHICAGO

A woman who was found dead in a parked car on a Lakeview side street May 25 died from multiple gunshot wounds, according to the Cook County medical examiner's office.

The woman, identified as 41-year-old Kendra Gardner, was the subject of a CPD missing person bulletin that Area South detectives released May 25. Gardner was last seen May 22 near 105th and Yates Ave. in the South Deering neighborhood, the missing person flyer said.

Police found Gardner's body after a passerby reported seeing an unresponsive person inside a gold Cadillac on the 3000 block of N. Clifton around 4 p.m., according to a CPD report. Gardner was reclined in the passenger seat of the vehicle, which is registered to a man who lists an address in the South Shore neighborhood, according to information from the scene.



Kendra Gardner went missing May 29, police said. She was found fatally shot in a parked car on the 3000 block of N. Clifton.

her neck area," but police did not mention that she had been shot. Area Three detectives are now conducting a homicide investigation.

A witness at the scene said investigators recovered at least one shell casing. Surveillance video shows the car arriving in the area early Monday, according to a nearby resident.

During an initial press statement, CPD said the woman appeared to have "some injury to

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beneath her heart, according to Patton. Doctors cannot remove the bullet, she said. Police found nine shell casings and one live round at the shooting scene.

Longstreet ran back to his apartment building after the shooting, and police found him in

the lobby, sweating profusely and out of breath as he waited for an elevator.

Longstreet is charged with attempted first-degree murder and aggravated battery by discharging a firearm. His next scheduled court appearance is June 1.

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Rogers Park Township Real Estate For Sale

Real Estate For Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC DBA CHAMPION MORTGAGE COMPANY; Plaintiff,

vs. THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF ROBERT R. JAGODZINSKI, DECEASED; BRUCE LANHAM; CARY ROSENTHAL, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE TO ROBERT R. JAGODZINSKI, DECEASED; Defendants,

20 CH 6509 NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate:

P.I.N. 10-25-300-043-0000.

Commonly known as 3133 West Howard Street, Chicago, IL 60645. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski, LLC, One East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611. 20-016040 F2 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING, LLC Plaintiff,

vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF SONIA M PEARA, CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A., SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, CARY ROSENTHAL, SPECIAL REP-

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REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DECEASED MORTGAGOR, SONIA M PEARA, ROCHELLE PEARA A/K/A SHELLEY PEARA, ROBERT PEARA, HELEN CROWLEY, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF HELEN CROWLEY, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF GERALD F. PONS Defendants

17 CH 05235 6431 NORTH WAYNE 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 February 11, 2021, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on July 7, 2021, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 6431 NORTH WAYNE AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60626 Property Index No. 11-32-329-018-0000

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

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property

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is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. MCCALLA RAYMER LEIBERT PIERCE, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, One North Dearborn Street, Suite 1200, Chicago, IL, 60602. Tel No. (312) 346-9088. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE

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E-Mail: pleadings@mccalla.com Attorney File No. 20-059971L Attorney ARDC No. 61256 Attorney Code. 61256 Case Number: 17 CH 05235 TJS#- 41-823

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Skip the shorty shorts, it's a Fall Pride Parade this year

The skimpy skirts, shorty shorts, tank tops and halter tops may not be de rigueur for this year's Pride Parade, now scheduled for this fall.

Traditionally a rite of summer, Chicago's Pride Parade has been moved to Sunday, Oct. 3, a pandemic-induced departure from its usual June affair.

The new 2021 date is a one-time change due to safety concerns surrounding the pandemic.

So bust out the faux fur, sturdy boots and longjohns, the fashion trend for this year's parade may shift like the winds off the lake.

The Pride Parade and Pride week were both canceled in 2020 due to COVID-19. The parade is set to return to summer next year, taking place on June 26, 2022. City Hall and event organizers had previously said they were not going to hold the parade in June, but hadn't set a replacement date.

The parade usually gathers between 500,000 and a million people, clustered around a few miles of Uptown and Lakeview streets, ending up in Lincoln Park. The parade is expected to take its usual route of recent years, beginning at Montrose Ave. and Broadway and ending at Cannon Dr. in Lincoln Park.

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considering early retirement, it's worth knowing you can begin drawing Social Security as early as age 62. But there's a caveat. If you claim the benefit before you reach full retirement age (between 66 to 67 for most people), your monthly benefit is reduced and that reduction is for life. Another source of retirement income some people still have is a pension. If you have one, determine whether it provides a reduced benefit (or any benefit at all) to your spouse after you die. If not, you may want to weigh whether to take a lump-sum payment rather than your regular payout, if that choice is offered. Finally, an annuity – either fixed or indexed – can provide you with a monthly check as well. Some annuities do come with fees and various rules and limitations, and you also want

to research the claims-paying ability of the insurance carriers being considered. A properly licensed financial professional can help you figure out what's best for you and your circumstances.

Speculative income

One of the risks of retiring early is that you are even likelier than the average person to outlive your savings. That means you may want to keep at least a portion of your money in the market so it can grow. Yes, that does mean you could experience market volatility, but it's worth remembering that historically, after significant market drops, the market has strong recoveries. Still, you and your financial professional should take steps to minimize your risk exposure.

It's worth noting that with retirement comes extra time, and how you use that time could make a difference in your financial situation. Maybe you could take on a part-time job to pull in extra cash. Perhaps a favorite hobby could turn into a money-making venture.

Or possibly you just need to be cautious about becoming bored and filling that extra time with too many vacation trips or shopping sprees, spending money you really can't afford to spend.

Even with careful planning, early retirement can still be difficult for some people. If that's the case with you, you may need to adjust your lifestyle accordingly.

Regardless, though, it's important to have an assortment of income sources. Many times the best retirement plans combine three of the aforementioned strategies if not all four. With the right amount of diversity in your portfolio, you may be able to live well in early retirement now, while still growing a nest egg that will see you through your later years.

Notice of Public Sale

THE LOCK UP SELF STORAGE at 1930 N Clybourn Ave, Chicago, IL 60614 will sell the contents of the following units to satisfy a lien to the highest bidder on June 22nd, 2021 by 11:00 AM at WWW.STORAGETREASURES.COM. All goods must be removed from the unit within 48 hours. Unit availability subject to prior settlement of account. Unit 4018 Aaron Taylor Unit 4311 Aaron Taylor

Notice of Public Sale

East Bank Storage, located at 429 W. Ohio St., Chicago, IL (312-644-2000), is opening lockers: 7171XL (Wonder Stuff) 8502E (Al Stontisch) 4622X (Sanjay Vohra) 2713X (Tyra Peterson) 1638A (Adrienne Meachum) for public sale on June 29, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Cash only.

Notice of Public Sale

East Bank Storage located at 730 West Lake Street, Chicago, IL, 312-876-2000, is opening lockers: 5200E- Doherty, Garrett 6000J- Hawkins Way Property / Found Chicago 7570F- Advanced Solution Inc for public sale. This sale is to be held on Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at 2:00PM. Cash payments only.

Lakeview Township Real Estate For Sale

Real Estate For Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION M.T. LEASING, INC., ASSIGNEE OF MOLLY BUTLER Plaintiff,

vs. MICHAEL P. WILLIAMS, CHICAGO TITLE LAND TRUST COMPANY AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO CHICAGO TITLE AND TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE UNDER LAND TRUST AGREEMENT DATED OCTOBER 31, 1994 AND KNOWN AS LAND TRUST #1099816, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants

18 CH 13262 4130 NORTH ASHLAND AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60613

NOTICE OF SALE FOR A JUDGMENT LIEN PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on November 25, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on July 1, 2021, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 4130 NORTH ASHLAND AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60613 Property Index No. 14-18-415-026-0000

The real estate is improved with a multi-unit building. The judgment amount was \$92,303.76.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/ wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the plaintiff acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any plaintiff, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale and six months from the date of the sale when the redemption period expires. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the sale, other than plaintiff, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE OWNER, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION WELLS FARGO USA HOLDINGS, INC. Plaintiff,

vs. BARBARA M ANDREWS A/K/A BARBARA ANDREWS, 4515-17 N. ASHLAND CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants

18 CH 05506 4515 NORTH ASHLAND AVENUE, UNIT #2S CHICAGO, IL 60640

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 24, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on June 29, 2021, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 4515 NORTH ASHLAND AVENUE, UNIT #2S, CHICAGO, IL 60640 Property Index No. 14-17-112-039-1002

The real estate is improved with a brown brick, three story condominium, no garage. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/ wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its

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

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Chicago-based author and illustrator, Flora Caputo, will be sharing her expertise on using pollinator plants in containers so everyone can enjoy a beautiful view while helping the bees and butterflies.

Get Growing will also be providing Make & Take terrarium workshops twice daily at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. All the events are free to the public.

Woman gets probation for DUI crash that left bicyclist severely injured in River North

BY CWBCHICAGO

A Chicago woman has pleaded guilty to crashing her car into a bicyclist while driving under the influence in River North in exchange for a sentence of probation and community service. The victim, who was severely injured, had been released from prison just four months earlier after serving time for killing a woman in a DUI crash.

Kristen Levasseur, now 26-years-old, turned herself in to Chicago police after investigators identified her as the person responsible for striking the man as he bicycled in the 400 block of W. Grand on June 25, 2019.



Kristen Levasseur

Police said Levasseur, a bartender, failed to stop or call 911 after she struck Michael Albers, 32, as he and another cyclist rode westbound around 1:15 a.m. She had her car's damaged windshield and passenger-side mirror replaced later the same day to conceal the accident, police alleged in an arrest report.

Albers suffered severe head injuries and was expected to experience long-term brain damage from the crash, according to police. The woman who was cycling with Albers at the time of the collision was not injured.

Levasseur has now pleaded guilty to charges of aggravated DUI causing injury or death and leaving the scene of an accident involving injury or death. Judge Neera Walsh sentenced her to four year's probation and 480 hours of community service on each count. Walsh ordered the sentences

to be served concurrently.

Albers, the victim, was paroled almost exactly four months before the crash after serving most of the 10-year sentence he received for a fatal DUI crash in suburban Antioch Township.

According to an archived Chicago Tribune story, Danielle Trevithick was 22-years-old when Albers slammed head-on into her vehicle, killing her instantly at 1:30 a.m. Aug. 12th, 2010. A detective testified that Albers was driving 86 miles per hour in a 40-mph zone with a blood-alcohol level more than twice the legal limit. Albers, who was ejected from his SUV, and his two passengers were airlifted to hospitals.

"I now realize how fast dumb decisions can affect me as well as others," Albers said in an apology to Trevithick's family at the time of his sentencing.

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fought back with a letter to the Chicago Sun-Times.

According to Lee, the public criticism of bond practices and jail releases were "all related" to Preckwinkle's letter.

"You know we have some real challenges in the City of Chicago around violence, but they're not challenges that result from our criminal justice reforms," Preckwinkle said in her letter to Lightfoot.

Calling Johnson's code-breaking statements "infuriating" and a "false narrative," Preckwinkle went on to blame him for the city's violence, citing CPD's low murder

clearance rate.

Lightfoot held a press conference after Preckwinkle's letter went public to cite statistics from the recently-concluded Fourth of July weekend. Of the 76 people CPD arrested for gun crimes that weekend, 18 were repeat gun offenders, and ten of those repeat gun offenders were given an "opportunity to get back out on the streets," Lightfoot claimed.

The mayor went on to criticize the tool Cook County's court system uses to predict the risks an accused person might pose if released. The program didn't even consider unauthorized use of a weapon charges, Illinois' typical illegal gun charge, in its calculation, she claimed.

Lightfoot told reporters that "various county actors...have to be part of the solution." The mayor challenged the courts and CPD "put our data out on a weekly basis...Who's getting arrested. What are

"We can go back and forth all day about statistics," said Toni Preckwinkle. "The public doesn't care about spreadsheets, they care about solutions and results."

the charges? What are the bond decisions being made?"

Preckwinkle poo-pooed that idea, according to the Sun-Times.

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Preckwinkle slammed the city narrative as an effort to put the blame for increasing violence on "county judges, county prosecutors — and their failure to do their job and that's simply not true," the Sun-Times reported.

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at the time.

Police sources told media outlets that investigators found pipe bombs in the apartment, but CPD never said that publicly.

Officers also found what they believed to be a clandestine laboratory, including scientific equipment, tools, industrial cleaning supplies, chemicals, and lab glassware in Hilk's kitchen, according to a CPD report.

The police bomb squad took items from the residence to a secluded area near Soldier Field for detonation late on March 24. Police said lead azide, a potentially volatile

substance used in detonators, was among the materials authorities removed from the residence.

More materials were found in the apartment as police continued their investigation the next day, which prompted police to once again close off some access to the area.

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