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Troubled Waters

Waters Elementary School parents want harsh consequences for teacher accused of sexually assaulting child

BY JIM VAIL

In the age of throwing the book at sexual predators in our schools, and society at large, the Waters Elementary School parents want no leniency while prosecutors work out a deal with a former teacher who is accused of sexually assaulting a student.

And they're going to have to be vigilant as Cook County Prosecutors aren't exactly tough on law-breakers these days.

Jason Gil, 44, was a bilingual math teacher at Waters Elementary School in Ravenswood Gardens when he was booked on charges of criminal sexual assault, aggravated criminal abuse, solicitation and possession of child pornography and grooming in February.

The state says that Gil began

grooming a girl when she was 12, had sex with her when she was 13 and 14, and asked her to send him naked pictures.

Gil was removed from the classroom after he was arrested and is still being investigated by the Chicago Public Schools. The number of sex abuse cases against teachers has risen considerably since the Chicago Tribune published its series of sex abuse crimes in the classroom one year ago. Sources say that there are too many teachers being investigated now, and that many have to remain at home because there are not enough CPS lawyers to investigate.

Even though Gil sits in jail because he was denied a bond to be

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No charges were filed for more than three years against child sexual predator working for CPS

BY CWBCHICAGO.COM

A man who worked for a Chicago Public Schools vendor was accused of sexually assaulting two young girls on the South Side nearly three years before a 12-year-old girl accused him of sexual abuse at a North Center elementary school last winter, according to police records.

Yet, authorities didn't charge Quinten Hawthorne in

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Uncharted Books owner Tanner McSwain and his most loyal staffer, his dog Ramona.

Andersonville welcomes new independent bookstore to Clark St.

BY JIM VAIL

Uncharted Books has moved to 5140 N. Clark St. in Andersonville after opening in 2012 in Logan Square, because it needed more room to operate.

Owner Tanner McSwain told local media that the upgrade was important for his independent bookstore to survive because there will be a wider selection of books, additional community and event space and more foot traffic.

McSwain said his former location in Logan Square was in poor condition with deteriorating ceilings and walls, poor plumbing and no more room for books and other things.

Many small businesses in Logan Square have had to move locations. The beloved Boulevard Bikes was also forced to move from its long-time location at Milwaukee and Kedzie after 14 years.

Many long-time businesses in the city also sell the land to developers, knowing the underlying value of the real estate is far more than the business is worth. The Lawrence Auto Shop on the North Side at Lawrence and Ashland closed shop a couple years ago and sold to a developer to build a

residential building with rentals.

McSwain said the small town feel of Logan Square is evaporating as the old historical buildings get torn down to put up expensive rental apartments.

But Uncharted Books moved not because of the rent but because he needed the extra space.

McSwain said he likes Andersonville's many independent, dog-friendly businesses and close location to the CTA's Red Line.

He will have an event space called the Adventurers Club, a members-only area that will be opened by tilting a secret bookshelf. Members can read or write, play board games or just hang out.

Just a bit north is the Women and Children First bookstore at 5233 N. Clark St., McSwain believes the two stores will complement each other.

A strong community is a learned community. The survival of independent bookstores in the age of Amazon and the Internet is a testament to the power books and the printed word still have.

Twenty years ago when Borders book store moved into the renovated Goldblatt's building in

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Mother Nature wins

Piping Plovers, high lake levels force Mamby on The Beach cancellation

BY JIM VAIL

Mother Nature won, doesn't she usually?

Mamby on the Beach, a major for-profit music festival that promised close to 50,000 concert goers over a two-day period on Montrose Beach next month, has been cancelled.

"We are saddened to announce that Mamby on the Beach has been cancelled for 2019 due to circumstances beyond our control," the organizer stated on its Facebook page. "These unforeseen issues include significantly higher than average waters of Lake Michigan eliminating the beach portion of our intended site. Additionally, our intended footprint was affected by the presence of Great Lakes Piping Plover shorebirds, a federally protected species."

Jam Productions said that it worked with the Chicago Park District and the US Fish and Wildlife Services to find a new beach location, but moving the festival at this late a date they claimed would be a disservice to fans and artists. They are now refunding the tickets.

While puzzled local activists are still not sure how this plan got approved and contracts got signed before any of the local neighbors were brought into the discussion, music fans and bird lovers alike applauded the organizers for being honest.

"Thank you for doing the right thing and protecting the birds,"

Alyson Wright commented on the events FB page. "Excited to see what you put together in the future."

That question has already been addressed by the Chicago Audubon Society who gathered over 6,100 signatures to ban large concerts from Montrose Beach. The petition stated that concerts have occurred near the Montrose bird sanctuary, but they were not of a size and duration that interfered with the public using the beach and affecting the natural habitat. They asked to convene a group of stakeholders to develop a policy about the appropriate use for Montrose Beach, natural areas, and nearby recreational area.

The cancellation comes after weeks of meetings between event organizers, the Chicago Park District, parks activists and environmental groups, who wanted the event moved.

Jam Productions owner Jerry Mickelson said he brought the Mamby concert to the Montrose Beach to promote Uptown. But he did so without consulting the community before closing a deal with the CPD. That community is proud of its natural habitat and protective of the beach area where recently a couple of Piping Plover eggs hatched. There are only 60 living pairs of Plovers left in the world, so the eggs are a serious event and the concert threatened their survival. A Great Lakes Piping Plover chick hasn't hatched in Chicago since 1955.

One person noted on social media that had Mickelson and Jam Productions not been so pig-headed, the concert could have been relocated to another area and not cancelled.



The Great Lakes Piping Plover. Image courtesy of greatlakespipingplover.org

"Thanks for doing the right thing," Brad Miller wrote. "If your team would have moved the event when this all first started till waiting to the last minute, it could have been a go."

Environmentalists also threatened to file a lawsuit under the Endangered Species Act. Bird lovers have said the concert would threaten not only federally protected endangered birds, but also years of habitat restoration that has turned the park into one of the country's top migratory stopover sites.

But neighbors are wary now, as they know the Park District and concert organizers are sure to try and stage a giant for-profit festival someplace near Montrose Beach and Harbor again.

Born above a grocery, she died in an apartment at the Hotel Ritz



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

True confession: after all this time, I've finally viewed the Margaret Thatcher bio-film, "The Iron Lady."

Meryl Streep does her usual off-the-charts performance. But she was also one of the reasons I waited so long before viewing. She's just too good.

From Karen Blixen in "Out of Africa" to Miranda Priestly in "The Devil Wears Prada" and Julia Child in "Julie & Julia," Streep is just too good.

Though she always nails her character, I sit peeling back the make up and prosthetics to find the real Meryl. Vicious 'circus,' indeed.

Another reason for waiting was the Baroness Thatcher, herself. I just didn't want to see a flick about her.

In real life, "Lady T," historically, has haunted my life. She was PM for 11 years and 209 days from 1979 to 1990. A background character of profound affect that I was never too pleased to see.

It's not just the Irish thing, but that's a part of it.

I lived and went to school in England under the reign of terror of Mrs. Thatcher. I witnessed her abuse. The mobs early hatred. But even more than that, at each juncture of attempting to find a solution to the Irish Troubles of violence and death, Thatcher thrived, fanning the sectarian flames to enrage the IRA. She was a lifelong Methodist. She poured petrol on the flames and enjoyed the warmth. From the death of Lord Louis Mountbatten to the hotel bombing in Brighton,

the IRA was actually waging war and gunning for the PM. And make no mistake, it was against Margaret Thatcher. Personally.

Thatcher had the ability to treat everyone the same. With the same belittling disgust and historical insignificance. Irish guerrilla fighters, Welsh coal miners, English sanitation workers, Scottish educators or Argentine politicians and military leaders. Any thought or action outside her shopkeeper daughter's playbook was strictly to be destroyed. Every progressive thought, humanitarian action and politically liberal ideal she found abhorrent. She was a "sweep the sidewalks" kind of British small business owner. No time for the truant, troubled welfare recipient or down-on-their-luck citizenry.

Her family were like a million other Brits. They owned a shop, an old-fashioned grocer. Tin cans of beans. Bottles of Bovril. Some washing-up soap. And fresh-baked bread each morning. Shops like these were the backbone of every English village. Her father, whom she idealized, always said this is why no one could conquer Britain. Not the Kaiser. Not Hitler. Britain was a nation of shopkeepers and proud of it. They were not a nation of equals. Everyone had their place and it made them unconquerable.

That to me is the heresy of "coziness," what I anticipated in the film. The thick-headed misunderstanding of achievement and success. It only works up until a point. If you are dissatisfied with your lot, then you've got some major problems. If you just want to keep the shelves stocked, you're fine.

I arrived in England ready for a glorious experience at Oxford. Thatcher's university. That was just after PBS had fed us so sumptuously on "Brideshead Revisited," Evelyn Waugh's long series of triumph and tragedy among the great aristocrats of the 1920s. "Downton Abbey" if you will, without the humor and whimsical characters.



Margaret Thatcher

Prime Minister Thatcher launched the British Navy against the Argentine nation at that time, their foes in the Falklands Islands. A barren strip of archipelago in the South Atlantic famous for sheep rearing. I remember the war that ensued. Morning. Noon. And night. The Falklands might as well have been Central London, or Charring Cross Road. And, of course, when she ordered the British Navy to "vaporize" the Belgrano, a war ship that was actually steering away from battle, Thatcher still ordered them to be fired upon. When the air cleared, the Belgrano and all its men had been atomized into thin air. They disappeared from the horizon along with any sense of common decency left among the British government.

Thatcher's tough act in the South Atlantic was both payback to the IRA and a warning to all the Irish that she would be tough on Northern Ireland. She luxuriated in her Reagan Era muscle and fury. It was enough to scare the Soviets into surrender. And the Berlin Wall to fall.

In many ways it set me up to hate this film about Thatcher. Strangely, in the end, I liked it. I enjoyed its quick, short-hand version of Margaret Thatcher's history and political career, from Oxford grad running for Parliament, to mad woman at the helm of the ship. I was more sympathetic, maybe because she was portrayed as weakened at times with touches

of dementia towards the end. Not even seeing much of her family in her widowhood. But she stood strong. Remember she attended the Reagan funeral and spoke her pre-recorded eulogy. And went to California for the burial.

Thatcher's world, like Reagan's, dementia-filled, pre-John Major and Tony Blair, seems more distant than I thought. It wasn't even the world of cellphones or laptops yet. The Royals had not achieved their new fresh coat of public popularity. It was the era of the bickering Charles and Diana. And HM, the Queen, is thought to have loathed Mrs. Thatcher and her particular brand of British thuggery in their weekly talks. I think that's why Benny Hill was so popular. It was a sad time to be in Britain. People needed a laugh.

How strange it all seemed to be watching Thatcher in the age of Trump. Would Margaret Thatcher have understood "The Donald?" She certainly would not have gotten him and his reckless use of the English language. She would have abhorred his oily, handsy-grabby style of social interaction. She wouldn't much cotton to his loose political ideology. She being much more a Reagan girl of impeccable moral veracity.

But then, maybe I am missing the larger truth. Thatcher was despised by the British voter after her cruelty and her pull-yourself-up-by-your-boot-straps political philosophy. There was no free lunch in Thatcherdom. Many of

Thatcher's initiatives were the build-a-border-wall solution to age old cultural dilemmas. When her cabinet once turned their backs on some of her European cautions in the heyday of the birth of the European Union, she told them to pack their bags for Calais and go off to live in France if it was so attractive.

Thatcher was in command for more than a decade. She went from being very unpopular to being deeply loved, up and down both the streets. In the end, she wasn't defeated by the people. She was defeated by her Conservative Party's betrayal. Something to think about when we are pumping oxygen into Joe Biden, refusing to believe that the American people could return the Trumps to the White House for four more years. There's always a Falkland's war in the wings. A battle ship to vaporize. Or a border wall to build. She may have been born upstairs of a grocery store in Grantham, but she died in her apartment in London at the Hotel Ritz.

GETTING OLD: What's really going on inside a Chicago business family of note whose very name is the definition of local business hutzpah? Are there really long unresolved grudges that still haunt the siblings who are presently yielding to the darker force causing unsurvivable catastrophe? It's the women, we are told, not the men. Hurts and grocery lists of missteps and missed moments for fuller lives and a deeper sense of humanity abound. It is said that the sisters are so blindly bent on blaming their bro that they are willing to go down in ruin,

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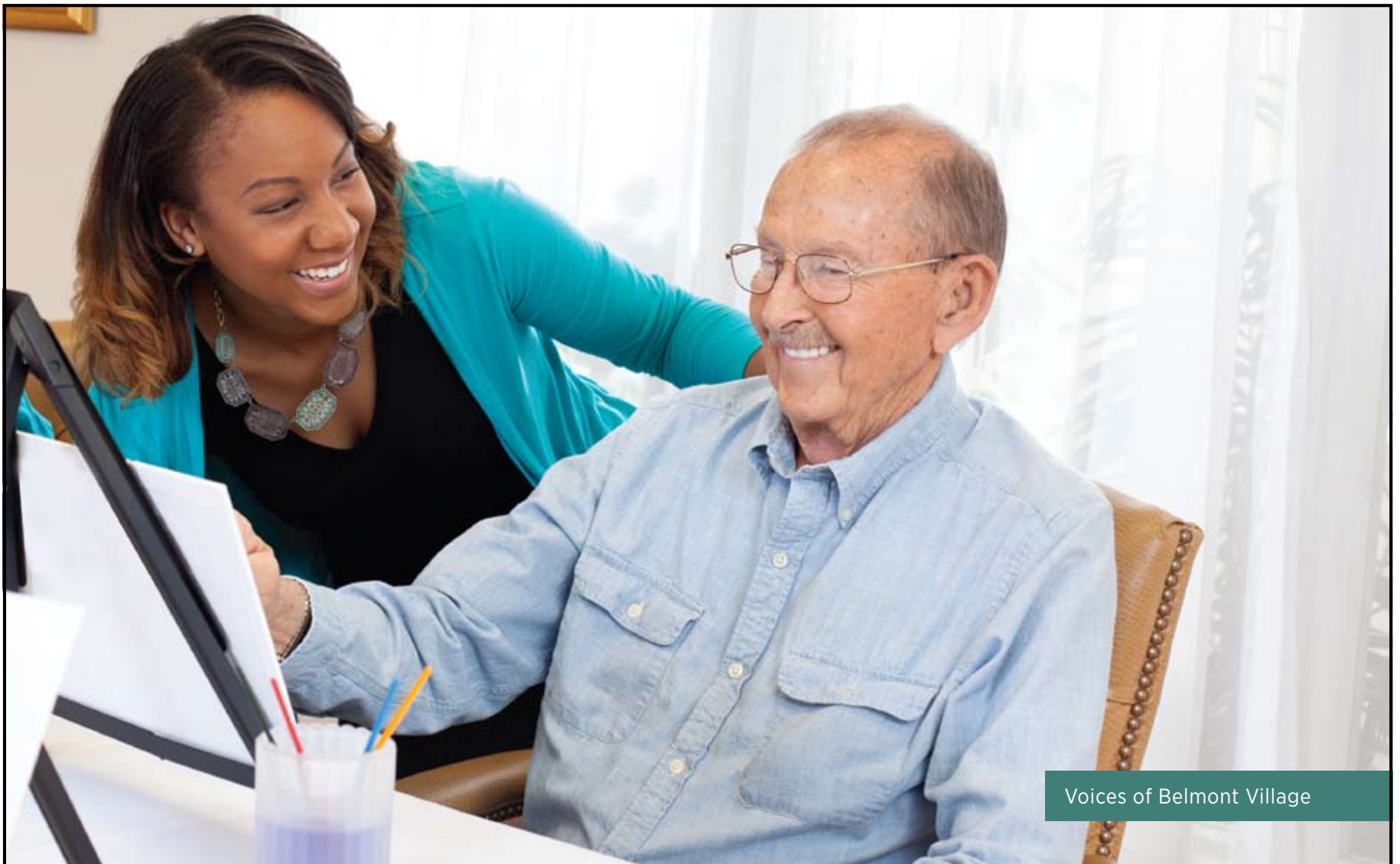
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Real estate property tax-escrow short falls plague North Side homeowners

(Second of two articles on the impact of rising real estate tax assessments.)

Most Chicago homeowners still haven't recovered much of the home-market value they lost after the Great Recession, but that hasn't stopped property tax bills from climbing dramatically over the last decade.



The Home Front
By Don DeBat

Average home prices in Illinois are still 21% lower today than in 2007, reports the most recent data from the Federal Housing Finance Agency.

Even though many Illinois homes are worth less than they were more than a decade ago, property tax bills statewide have jumped by 9%, after adjusting for inflation, and after the city's 2018 reassessment, the numbers are much worse in Chicago.

Out-going Cook County Assessor Joseph Berrios raised the estimated fair market value of some properties from 30% to more than 140% in North Side and North-west Side neighborhoods.

The sharply higher assessed valuations sparked mind-bending real estate tax hikes in most North Side neighborhoods when bills arrived this month. In Chicago, the 2018 property tax bill increases are due Aug. 1, when the second installment of the bill must be paid.

The recovery of home prices in Illinois is more painful compared with the national

recovery. Since 2007, the decline in home values remains 300% worse in Illinois than the national average—with homeowners nationwide seeing property values just 5% lower today on average than they were in 2007.

While city-wide real estate tax hikes average only 11% because bills declined in many South Side and West Side neighborhoods, hefty increases hit the North Side, and even after successful appeals tax bill increases of 50% or higher were commonplace.

"What this means to me is, between the shortfall new tax and the shortfall in real-estate tax escrow, my mortgage payment could increase \$500-plus a month," complained Humboldt Park homeowner Chris Montgomery, in a letter to the editor of Crain's Chicago Business. "This is just not something I can plan for, and it's going to be a burden trying to cover it."

After three years of property tax increases, "culminating with what feels like a coup-de-gras of a 2018 tax bill, this might be just too much to bear," Montgomery said.

The overlooked real-estate tax escrow issue is like the tip of the ice berg that sank the Titanic.

For example, former Assessor Berrios hiked the estimated fair market value of a vintage Old Town 3-flat 93% to an astronomical \$1,973,610 from \$1,021,100. After a mildly successful appeal at the Board of Review, the assessed value was lowered 28% to \$141,919 from \$197,361. However, based on the final 65% assessment in-

crease, the 2018 tax bill jumped a hefty 27.5% to \$28,033 from \$21,991 in 2017.

In June, after learning of the Berrios' 93% boost in assessment level on an Old Town 3-flat, the mortgage lender, a major Chicago bank, reviewed the real estate tax escrow and on property and erroneously concluded the estimated tax bill would rise to \$33,373 based on an adjusted assessed value.

In March of 2019, the 3-flat owner paid the \$12,095 first installment of taxes. Based on the astronomically higher assessment, the bank erroneously estimated that the second installment, due Aug. 1, would be \$21,277. As a result, the bank immediately increased the monthly escrow payment from about \$1,500 to nearly \$6,400. However, the second installment bill came in at only \$15,944 because both the city tax rate and state equalization rate declined.

Before the taxes jumped to \$28,033 from \$21,991, the monthly tax escrow was \$1,465. Suddenly the bank demanded an escrow of \$6,386 a month for four months to replenish the depleted escrow account. After that, the bank said it plans to escrow \$2,356 a month for 2019 taxes due in 2020.

Predicting a property tax increase really centers on two wild cards—the tax rate and the state equalization factor, which can't be challenged by taxpayers.

The lender wrote in a terse email: "It is the bank's intention to continue collecting the current escrow payment of \$6,386 over the next four months (July, August, September and October) amounting to \$25,546, prior going through the next escrow analysis at the end of October, so the starting escrow balance in the black, plus or minus \$500."

How tax bills are computed

"The property tax bill is determined by four factors: the assessment, the equalization factor, or 'multiplier,' the tax rate and the exemptions," said Michael Griffin, a Chicago real estate tax appeal attorney. "In 2019, homeowners should appeal their assessment because they are likely to see a new higher assessment next year."

Homeowners also should review their exemptions because they can reduce their tax bill if they have the proper exemptions, Griffin noted. The three main exemptions are the Homeowner's, Senior Citizen, and



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Senior Freeze.

The Homeowner's exemption recently was increased to \$10,000 from \$7,000, and the Senior Exemption was hiked to \$8,000 from \$5,000. Those amounts are deducted from equalized assessed value of a home to which tax rates are applied to determine individual tax bills.

Also, more seniors are qualified for the Senior Freeze because the Illinois Legislature increased the maximum annual income to receive the freeze to less than \$65,000 from less than \$55,000.

"Every homeowner should review their last tax bill to see if they received the proper exemptions and contact the assessor if the exemptions are wrong," Griffin advised.

Predicting a property tax increase really centers on two wild cards—the tax rate and the state equalization factor, which can't be challenged by taxpayers.

The equalization factor, or "multiplier," is established each year for Cook County to bring property tax assessments in line with other parts of Illinois. The value is determined by the Illinois Dept. of Revenue. The multiplier was pegged at 2.9109 in 2018, down from 2.9627 in 2017. In 2016, the multiplier was 2.8032.

The main engine that drives up property tax bills is the amount of money spent by local government, such as increased spending for schools, parks, libraries and police,

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Meeting Aug. 15 on making affordable infill housing work

High taxes, teardowns, condo de-conversions, the rising costs of land and construction, government corruption, crime, zoning restrictions—the challenges to building housing in Chicago seem, at times, endless.

Two different design competitions were launched in 2018 to directly address some of these challenges by engaging local architects to create innovative, sustainable, and dynamic prototypes for new infill homes.

The Metropolitan Planning Council [MPC] will be hosting a meeting 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15, at 140 S. Dearborn St. to review this work.

The Chicago Housing Taskforce—a collaborative group of organizations invested in housing equity—launched Disruptive Design: New Solutions for Homeownership to create affordable, replicable, and wealth-building single-family or owner-occupied two-flat homes in Chicago; the Congress

for New Urbanism launched their Missing Middle competition to create high-quality and cost-effective housing for the middle market between the scale of single-family homes and mid-rise apartments for urban sites.

A panel conversation with representatives from and winners of both housing design competitions will allow attendees to have a chance to peruse winning submissions and hear from the architects how they tackled the monumental challenge.

Featured Panelists include Judy Frydland, Commissioner of the Dept. of Buildings, City of Chicago (moderator); Nancy Firfer, MPC; Jeremy R. Lake, Union Studio - Fill the (Housing) Gap winner; Amy Mayer, Related Midwest, and Greg Tamborino, AIA - Disruptive Design winner.

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Pat Brickhouse with author Michael Yergin.



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Upcoming Brickhouse book a lovable read

I first met Pat Brickhouse, wife of the legendary sportscaster Jack, around 1999 or so, when she was raising funds for a statue of her late husband. Someone popped their head into my office and asked if I wanted to interview Pat for a story about her efforts. I jumped at the chance. Who wouldn't?



Heart of the 'Hood By Felicia Dechter

I had been one of those kids who would come home from school and hear the instantly recognizable voice of Jack Brickhouse and his exuberant, "Back, back, back...hey, hey!" whenever someone hit a homer during Cubs' games. I had three older brothers so the games were always on at our house, and therefore Jack Brickhouse -- who died in 1998 -- was part of my childhood. I was happy to do whatever I could to help get a well-deserved statue of him erected on Michigan Ave.

I learned the sweet love story of Pat and Jack and thankfully, an extra bonus occurred: Pat became a dear friend and she has been ever since.

Pat's longtime friend, Michael Yergin, is in the midst of writing an upcoming book, titled, "The Pat and Jack Brickhouse Story." I got a sneak peek of what he has written and so far, it's very endearing.

Bergen is a nationally-known happiness guru, as well as a relationship and positive psychology expert, an author and more. He met Pat while out with his dad one night many moons ago, at the old Rush St. nightclub, Jilly's.

"She was wearing dark sunglasses," recalled Yergin. "I asked her to take off her sunglasses. She did and I told her what beautiful eyes she had/has."

Yergin also had a brush with Jack when he was a teen, as the famed broadcaster was friends with Yergin's swimming coach.

"When I was in high school, Jack visited and was watching me play basketball," said Yergin. "He came over to me and said 'Kid, I would stick to swimming and give up basketball.'"

"I would, of course, listen to him broadcast baseball when I was a kid," added Yergin. "In adult life I would run into him occasionally and remarkably, we would always laugh because he still remembered giving me that advice at New Trier about giving up basketball."

He decided to pen a book about the couple, "because so many young people never heard of Jack or Pat and it saddened me they didn't."

"He was so beloved in Chicago because he was not only a tremendous sportscaster but he was so humble and unpretentious and real," said Yergin. "People would talk about Harry Caray but had no idea who Jack was. I would see how hurt Pat was by this."

Michael Yergin decided to pen a book about the couple, "because so many young people never heard of Jack or Pat and it saddened me they didn't."

"I also wrote the book because nobody in Arizona knew who Jack and she were," said Yergin. "She was in very bad health, and missing all her friends in Chicago so I wanted her to have a sense of purpose and be excited again." (FYI, Pat is feeling much better now).

Yergin says he is getting ready to film the story he wrote, which was "a labor of love." The book includes interviews, testimonials from people who know Pat and plenty of pix, including one of Pat and I on page 122 (I also got a shout out on page 6!).

"I did it to make Pat happy and give her a way to let people know about Jack," said Yergin. "I also felt it was important for people to know how sweet and important Pat is in her own right."

"I think anyone who needs little positive/

feel good affirmations about themselves will enjoy this book," he added. "And, of course, anyone who is into sports."

Pat said she feels "blessed and so grateful," that she can help keep Jack's legacy alive.

"I love it when people tell me how much they loved Jack and how important he was in their life."

Come May, Pat and Yergin will be hitting the road for a book signing tour. Pat, who has always said that her age is unpublished or that she is 39 - is finally going to go public and tell people how old she is.

I know, but I'll never tell. You'll just have to come to a book signing and meet Pat and find out for yourself. I'll keep you posted.

Great job Sam!... hearty congrats to Sam Gianfrancisco, a seventh grader at Saint Luke School, 1500 W. Belmont Ave., in Lakeview. Sam was a recent Chicago area Science Fair winner who was honored during "A Celebration of STEM," which was designed by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) to encourage environmental sciences education and provide students with access to greater understanding of the important work achieved at MWRD.

The students were congratulated by (MWRD) President Kari K. Steele and the Board of Commissioners and presented with a Superior Science Project Certificate. They were also provided lunch, a goody bag and a guided tour of the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant.

tion Plant.

"We congratulate the students on their award-winning research and hope during this learning experience at MWRD they have gained a greater interest in environmen-



The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago President Kari Steele congratulates local Science Fair winner Sam Gianfrancisco, a seventh grader at Saint Luke School in Lakeview, during the school's annual "A Celebration of STEM."

tal sciences, the fascinating work of treating wastewater and managing storm-water, and will consider MWRD for an internship opportunity in the future," said Steele.

Sam's project, titled "Make the Wind Work For You," was very apropos for someone living in the Windy City. He said he wanted to research different designs of wind turbine

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Ald. Hopkins to speak Aug. 7

Ald. Brian Hopkins [2nd] will be the guys speaker at the Wicker Park Committee monthly membership meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday, August 7, at the Wicker Park Fieldhouse, 1425 N. Damen Ave.

Bike ride Friday with Ald. Martin

The 47th Ward Office is hosting a sunset bike ride 7 p.m. Friday. Neighbors can join Ald. Matt Martin and his staff for a ride around the ward.

A rendezvous point has not been named but interested parties can contact Bindu Poroori at 773-868-4747 or bindu@alderman-martin.com.

BY PATRICK BUTLER

Every few years the Grand Duke and Duchess of Luxembourg find time for an informal visit to the Edgewater/Rogers Park area.

That's because there are at least as many local residents of Luxembourg descent in the Chicago area as there are back home in the Old Country, Kevin Wester, retired executive director of the Luxembourg American Cultural Society told the Edgewater Historical Society recently.

An estimated one fifth of Luxembourg's population – between 60,000 and 70,000 – moved to the United States, mostly the Chicago area, during the middle of the 19th century through the early part of the 20th, Wester told a packed audience at the Edgewater Public Library.

Luxembourgers were some of the first settlers on North Side

Overcrowding, an agricultural crisis, and political unrest sent the mostly farmers to places like Edgewater, Andersonville, West Ridge and Rogers Park, as well as parts of Wisconsin, Wester said. By the 1880s, he added, the emigres had created an estimated 100 greenhouse clusters from Ridge Ave. to Rogers Park and eventually Des Plaines where the Pesche family still runs a floral business.

One early settler, Nicholas Kranz, owned a farm on the future site of Senn High School. According to some local historians, Abraham Lincoln stayed there at least once during his 1860 presidential campaign. Today a statue on the point of Ridge Ave. and Clark St. commemorates the legend.

Later generations included Peter Reinberg, the "Rose and Carnation King," then possibly the world's biggest producer of roses, who had branched out into

politics, was elected an alderman in 1893 and eventually became Cook County board president, "Father of the Forest Preserves," and creator of a summer camp for inner-city kids.

According to some stories, Reinberg, who had a house on the 5600 block of N. Sheridan, reportedly did so well he had a gold bathtub, but nobody ever found it, Wester said.

Of course, it helped anyone in the flower business to be near the several cemeteries like All Saints in Des Plaines or Rosehill, Calvary or Graceland, Wester noted. Business was always brisk.

A controversial Luxembourg, Chicago Police Capt. Michael Schake, one of the city's investigators following the 1886 Haymarket Riot, was blamed by some for tampering with evidence in order to help convict the alleged rings, "but the Luxembourg community stood up for him," Wester said.

Other noted Luxembourg descendants include tennis star Chris Evert, whose father learned to play tennis at the St. Henry Church parking lot near Devonian Ridge avenues, Wester noted.

St. Henry's, in fact, was the first Catholic parish in the area, serving mostly Luxembourgers at first, but later Germans and some Irish. Adjoining the church, Angel Guardian Orphanage, was created to care for mostly German and Luxembourg children orphaned by the Civil War and later the Chicago Fire.

Also adjoining St. Henry's is the church cemetery with its own tales to tell. Like the woman who tried at least twice to poison her family with some soup she'd made, then moved to California after serving a year in jail for the murder attempt.

When she eventually died years later, she was returned to Chicago and buried with her family at St. Henry's, Wester said.

Cubs PR man part of sports panel

The PR of Sports is the theme for a Publicity Club of Chicago meeting 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14, at Maggiano's Little Italy, 111 W. Grand.

Sports panelists will include Julian Green, V.P. of Communications and Community Affairs, Chicago Cubs; and Peggy Kusinski, Sports Reporter, NBC 5 Chicago.

Tickets are \$50 for members and \$55 for non-members, and includes lunch. For tickets and information call 773-463-5560.

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blades to see which one was the most efficient.

"Only eight-percent of energy comes from wind power," Sam said. "My motivation for this project was the fact that we are running out of fossil fuels to use. By finding a blade that would improve productivity, we can get more energy from wind sources versus fossil fuels."

"We need to find renewable energy sources, because once we run out of fossil fuels, we can't get any more, and that is a scary thought!" he said.

We can be heroes... In his song "Heroes," David Bowie sings, "We can be heroes, just for one day." But the folks at Holiday Heroes are just that, all year long.

Holiday Heroes is a nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing joy to hospitalized kids and their families. The group recently raised record-breaking funds at its 10th



From left: Korinna Isselhardt, Julie Harron, Tracey DiBuono, Felicia Winiecki, Kristina McGrath and Rochelle Trotter at the recent Holiday Heroes event at Theatre on the Lake.

Anniversary "Heroes of the Night" gala. The annual event - and the organization's biggest fundraiser of the year - took place at the historic Theater on the Lake at Fullerton

and Lake Michigan.

This year's bash was not only a successful fundraiser, but a celebration of the impactful work Holiday Heroes has accomplished in the Chicago area throughout the past decade. Hundreds of supporters were heroes to hospitalized children with critical, chronic and terminal illnesses by raising funds that enable the organization to plan parties at hospitals throughout our area and beyond year-round.

The parties give the young patients, their families and their caregivers the chance to forget about sickness and medical procedures for a while and simply focus on being a kid and having fun.

Heartfelt congratulations to Heart of a Hero award recipient Kristina McGrath of McGrath Auto Group, which has a Lexus lot at 1250 W. Division St. She is a supporter of many charitable causes and community organizations, including Holiday Heroes.

Proceeds from the evening go towards Holiday Heroes hospital parties, which feature music, catered meals, gifts, and favorite costumed characters. Visit www.holiday-heroes.org for information on coming events, volunteer opportunities and more.



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Dr. Sohn dead at 92 after admirable life as a North Sider

BY PATRICK BUTLER

Dr. Herb Sohn, one of Chicago's best-known urologists who practiced for nearly 60 years at Weiss Hospital, 4646 N. Marine Dr., before his recent death at age 92, could easily have ended up a lawyer if it weren't for the bad cold he got working on a top-secret project at Navy Pier during World War II.

Back in 1945, the pre-law student at Virginia State Univ. joined the Navy as soon as he turned 17 because "everybody was leaving for the service and I got kind of lonely. I'd have a roommate and he'd be out of there. I figured if they're going to go, I might as well go," Sohn told DNA Info reporter John McGhee in a 2017 interview.

He soon ended up at the Great Lakes Training Center and a short time later was sent to Navy Pier where he had to take an oath of secrecy allowing him to work on a then-secret weapon – ra-

dar – where he worked under the watchful eye of armed guards in a far more secure environment than Great Lakes.

Unknown to most of the public, Lake Michigan was also a training location for more than 15,000 Navy pilots – including future president George Bush I – who learned to fly on one of two makeshift aircraft carriers, Sohn recalled in a WTTW documentary, "Heroes on Deck: World War II on Lake Michigan."

"They took two cruise ships that were going up and down the lake, took away the tops, and put a flat top on the top deck. (The ships) were shorter than a regular aircraft carrier. So a lot of the planes went into the water," Sohn said, estimating that more than 100 fighters and dive bombers ended up in the drink.

"It was also very dangerous for people on the carriers because the propellers were so close they chopped heads off," he added.

And because Navy Pier had

no heat or air conditioning, Sohn and a number of other sailors got bad colds aggravated by the Sulphur the doctors were prescribing while Sohn and numerous other sailors were being treated at Passavant Hospital (now part of Northwestern Hospital) where the Navy had taken over at least four floors.

While there, Sohn talked a lot with the doctors and by the time he was ready to be released, "I figured they needed more doctors than lawyers."

So at war's end, he switched from law to medicine, graduating from Chicago Medical School in 1955.

Over the years, Dr. Sohn ended up becoming head of the Chicago Urological, Illinois State Urological, and American Assoc. of Clinical Urology.

He also became a board mem-



Dr. Herb Sohn

ber of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and joined the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves and involved himself in a number of veterans' programs.

And as if that weren't enough, he graduated at John Marshall Law School. "I was getting bored and looking for something to do," he told this reporter last year.

But even that apparently wasn't

enough to keep Herb Sohn busy.

So he ran for the 9th District congressional seat five times between 1984 and 1992 and tried to unseat Richard M. Daley in the 1989 mayoral race.

He is survived by Kathleen (Kitty) Martin, his partner of 12 years; his brother Bernard, two children, Andrew and Douglas (founder and proprietor of the storied Hot Doug's restaurant once located at 3324 N. California), two grandchildren, Charles

and James, and step grandchildren Lauren, Shannon and Abby.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Sunday, July 28, at Temple Beth-El, 3610 Dundee Rd., Northbrook. In lieu of flowers memorials can be made in Dr. Sohn's name at the Shriver Center on Poverty Law, 67 E. Madison St., Suite 2000, Chicago, IL 60603.

Illinois "deep pockets" law leaves taxpayers on hook for big settlements, despite minimal fault

BY JOHN PASTUOVIC

When Chicago Finance Committee members hesitated to make taxpayers the "deep pockets" for yet another lawsuit settlement, this one for \$3.7 million, they peeled just another layer back on the expensive exploitation of taxpayers occurring under the old way that the city of Chicago does business. But, this time, the Illinois General Assembly deserves as much discredit as former Chicago Finance Chair, indicted Alderman Ed Burke.

The exposed scheme currently costing Chicago taxpayers millions: Publicly funded settlements to lawsuits filed against the city of Chicago, where the taxpayers foot a majority of the bill. In this particular case, in which 13 city aldermen bravely paused (possibly choked) their approval, was a paralyzed plaintiff from a 2014 drunk-driving accident where the driver was reported to have paid only \$30,000 and the bar owner paid \$1 million, a combined third of what taxpayers were being charged.

"How is that fair," taxpayers must be asking. But it is the norm in Illinois, where obscure terms like "joint and several liability" and standards that are more than half that of other surrounding states leave the taxpayers holding the bill.

Joint and several liability basically refers to how much a second- or third-party in a lawsuit needs to be at fault to still be liable for 100% of the lawsuit verdict or settlement. In Indiana, Michigan, Kentucky and Tennessee, defendants only pay their "fair share" – or the amount that they are at fault. In Iowa, Wisconsin, Missouri, Ohio and Minnesota, defendants must be more than 50% at fault to be left paying 100%.

But, as we already know, "fair share" is defined much differently in Illinois. Our state legislature has intentionally kept the Illinois standard at 25% of the fault to require paying 100% of the verdict or settlement. This allows trial lawyers in Illinois to find "deep pockets" defendants like the city of Chicago only slightly at fault in a lawsuit, but force the city to pay millions – in this case, to avoid a trial that might end in a bill worth tens of millions.

In 2017, a civil justice study titled, "Chicago: The City That Settles" detailed that the city spent as much as \$85 million in a single year settling lawsuits and was sued on average 300 times per year. A similar 2009 study found that Cook County has spent as much as \$69 million in a single year.

Reducing this lawsuit tax on Chicago taxpayers could pay for more than 2,000

more police officers, or equal more than 3,000 new teachers, or fund the Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy program for more than 30 years, or resurface more than 100 miles of Chicago roads, or hire more than 2,000 new public health nurses. Instead, the result is a boon for the lawyers, just like every other initiative born out of the stinking rot of the old Chicago Finance Committee.

Mayor Lightfoot and Governor Pritzker should take this opportunity to support reasonable reforms to the "deep pockets" liability laws in Illinois to save taxpayers real money. Moving the 25% standard to 50% – the lowest level in the rest of the Midwest – is both reasonable and a game changer for Illinois taxpayers.

John Pastuovic is president of the Illinois Civil Justice League

Multi-chamber networking July 25

Five North Side chambers of commerce are hosting a networking event 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 25, at Lakeshore Sport & Fitness 1320 W. Fullerton.

The Lincoln Park, Lakeview, Lakeview East, Old Town and Roscoe Village chambers will be participating. For tickets or reservations call 773-880-5200.

Biking fundraiser for Care For Real

Unity Lutheran Church, 1212 W. Bal-moral, is hosting Bike for Real Week July 28 through Aug. 4 to raise needed funds for the Care for Real food pantry. Donations will be collected for Care for Real on behalf of the bikers. Bring your bike to the church on Sunday, July 28 for a free tune-up with Igor Does My Bike.

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ashes and flames, just for the chance of ruining his life, which many know has not been on easy street. Some lifelong friends are suggesting that the bro take the sisters on full charge and let the bones and blood fall where they may. It would kill their parents, were they alive. The sisters always scared the 'bejaysus' out of me. Chicagoans see a pattern of severe mental disintegration within the sisters and the courts should determine how insane they are.

CUT, THAT'S A WRAP: With Facet's founder and director **Milos Stehlik's** passing July 6, we've truly lost a local legend. Facet's board and staff is committed to keeping his legacy alive. They've hired an Interim Executive Director, **Elsbeth Revere**, and launched a search for a new, visionary leader to continue Milos' work.

HATS OFF: **Debra Shirley** was with **Nina Lascelles Driscoll** and scores of others. Grateful to the Drake Hotel for hosing their millinery Pop Up last week. Her army of elegant friends helped throughout the day.

FEATURED ARTIST: **Rob-in Malpass** is excited to be the featured artist for the month of July at the Chicago Fine Arts Building at 410 S. Michigan Ave. Come check out the Gallery on the 2nd floor.

CITY WINERY: A tribute to some of the greatest women entertainers of the 20th century features Chicago's own, **Anne Burnell**, **Frieda Lee**, **Holly McGuire**, **LaShera Moore**, **Suzanne Petri**, **Margaret Murphy-Webb**, **Michele Thomas**, **Denise Tomasello**, and the original London House legend, **Judy Roberts**, with **Mark Burnell** as music director, **Joe Policastro** (bass) and **Phil Gratteau** (drums), produced and hosted by **Daryl Nitz**. The Women of Mister Kelly's, July 29, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. City Winery, 1200 W. Washington.

HISTORY ON THE WATERS: Gorgeous day on Lake



Nina Lascelles Driscoll's Millenary Pot Up Show at the Drake Hotel.

Michigan. **Peggy Snorf** aboard at the Chicago Yacht Club. First to finish: Earth Voyager and Windquest. The 60' trimaran Earth Voyager glided over the finish line as the first racing boat to finish the 111th Chicago Yacht Club Race to Mackinac presented by Intrust. EDT, three hours ahead of the first monohull to finish, the TP 52 Windquest.

THIS JUST IN: Luxury retailer Barneys New York is reportedly heading for bankruptcy thanks to declining foot traffic, high rent and online shoppers, who all share the blame.

SOPHIA'S ROOM: A splendid Asian decor house sale and auction will be held July 25 in Wilmette. Lots of traditional Hiroshige, other Japanese woodblocks, antique blue and white Canton, Art Deco rugs and more. **Sophia Du Bruhl** can let you in on the action before July 25, so call 773-729-0638.

ABOUT TIME: Breaking news, **Alan Turing**, the British Intelligence genius who cracked the German "Enigma" code during World War II and subsequently invented the computer, will finally be honored by Britain with his own 50 Pound note. As a gay man he suffered terrible social and legal injustices after the war, despite his secret efforts to shorten the war by his discoveries. He took his own life when at his lowest point.

FORE: Champ Lake Forest golfer **Jim** and **Anne McNulty**

have grandchildren from coast to coast and had the **Eurele** children from Long Island for a summer visit already.

NO ENCORE: **Jim Hirsch** has announced he is stepping down as CEO of Chicago Sinfonietta, as of July 1, 2020, a post he's held since 2004. Hirsch is perhaps best known for saving the Old Town School of Folk Music from financial ruin and building their flagship property in Lincoln Square. We expect this move leaves more time for golf for the low handicapper.

THE GANG'S ALL HERE: **Myra Reilly** is overjoyed with the arrival of Baby Myra, aka **Mia**, a precious bundle. She reportedly makes everything worthwhile. Lucky babe, the world's best great grandma gave her great fashion genes.

ARANCI, DATTERI, CALDI I MARRONI: **Lilia Chacon** getting acclimated in her new town and saw "La Boheme" at the Santa Fe Opera and loved everything about it, starting with the company. Oh that Giacomo Puccini, the voices and the way the sets of dreamy rooftop Paris seemed to meld into the Jemez Mountains in the distance. We miss you Lilia!

PUCCINI REDOUBT: **Teresa DiBuono Hall** and Five Generations of Di Buono/Bartucci families **Mary Gail Corpus**, **Amelia Gnolfo**, **Gia Benline**, **Christina Ponce**, **Nicole Therese**, **Salvatore J Hall (Sammy J. Hall)** family without Blood. The great descendants who still oper-



David Orr, Dan Balanoff, Clem Balanoff and Tom Balanoff.

ate Tufano's Restaurant today.

WHO'S WHERE? Running for judge in the 8th sub-circuit **Dan Balanoff** with **David Orr**, **Clem Balanoff** and **Tom Balanoff** at Daley Center Plaza, joining thousands in Chicago to protest ICE and **Trump's** immigration policy... **Jim Kinney**, **Brian White** and **Peggy Snorf**



Edmund Lester and Kelly Penry.

adding glamor to the greenery at the Onwentsia Club... **Mark Olley** with **John Rogers**, **Tye Radcliffe**, **Annette Findling**, **Heather Farley** and **Kerrie Kennedy** at "Z" Bar, perfect weather with members of the Costume Council... **Bill McCready** is with **Linda Skitka** in Amsterdam and a visit to the Royal Delft factory... **Jennifer Sutton Brieve** is feeling blissful with **Tammy**

Kohl and **Joaquin C. Brieve** at Colonial Chicago (yum)... handsome gent **Carlo Piscini** is in Trieste, Slovenia... **Rob Sabetto** and **Aaron Miller** at Hollywood Pantages Theatre and the Walk of Stars, overdosing on all things Hollywood, CA... **Edmund Lester** checked in to the Onwentsia Club, Lake Forest, out on the links... then off with **Kelly Penry** and looking cool in his summery white dinner jacket Attending the Lincoln Park Zoo Ball ... **Rebecca Crowell** at Addington Gallery... **Brian Relph** with friends from the Loki hotel in La Paz, Bolivia drinking a toast to friends back home... **Debbie Silverman Krolik** is with **Doug Allen Nash**, **David Silverman** and **Penny Gilly Stranglin** at Breezy Point Resort in MN... **Shannon Bartlett** splashing with **Venanzio Arquilla** in Lake Michigan... **Diala B Joseph** with **Meriana B Moshi** and **Alaa Elsherif** at Gibson's Steakhouse... actor **John T. O'Brien** is in town filming a skating shoot with darlin' daughter, **Ruby O'Brien** ... writer **Turi Ryder** doing the Riverboat and seeing the port of Paducah Kentucky. And the river, of course.

PRESIDENTIAL GATHERING: **Todd Ricketts**, (Co-owner Chicago Cubs) **Nick Peric**, **Scott Seaman** and **Dame Charlene Seaman** at Wisconsin fundraiser for **President Donald Trump**.

LONDON BOUND? **Queen Victoria's** throne, ball gown - and a casket filled with her children's teeth - are among the regal 19th century treasures on display at Buckingham Palace's summer exhibition. Rare. Not to be missed.

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Recreational pot coming to Wrigleyville?

Can anyone imagine noted Cubs broadcaster and Bud Man Harry Caray saying on the air, "It's a beautiful day to get high and go to a baseball game?"

Well that may soon be an option for Cubs fans as it looks like a location has been found mere steps from home plate that will be providing marijuana to fans and partiers alike in Wrigleyville.

According to a story reported by Ally Marotti of the Chicago Tribune, Cresco Labs, one of the largest cannabis companies in the state, has found a home for its MedMar Lakeview medical dispensary at 3524 N. Clark St.

A public notice appeared recently in the window of John Barleycorn tavern noting that a Cresco-owned venture intended to "establish a medical cannabis dispensary" there. The move would require zoning approval. They currently have a retail location north of this site at 3812 N. Clark St.

Chicago-based Cresco says they

had been looking to move the dispensary to a larger spot to accommodate growing patient count and demand for medical marijuana, Jason Erkes told Marotti.

Some 79,000 patients are enrolled in Illinois' medical marijuana program, an increase of more than 24,000 since February. The growth has been spurred in part by the state's elimination of background and fingerprint check requirements for patients, and reduction in wait times for medical cards.

But every operator seems to be ramping up for Jan. 1, 2020, when the state is set to make recreational marijuana sales legal. Those pot sales will remain a federal felony.

Under the law signed by Gov. J.B. Pritzker legalizing recreational use, existing medical dispensaries may apply to sell recreational marijuana as well. They may also apply to open a second location. Putting a large facility within steps of Wrigley Field and

in the center of a well-known bar strip is a clear indication of what the future use of this facility may hold.

In all, Cresco now co-owns or owns five dispensaries and operates three cultivation facilities in Illinois.

The company has applied with the state to sell recreational cannabis at its five existing dispensaries, Erkes told Marotti. If the company relocates its Lakeview facility across from Wrigley Field, it is unclear whether Cresco would have to reapply for a license to sell recreational marijuana there.

The state has not started accepting applications for second dispensary locations. Chicago has not yet established any zoning rules for the recreational industry.

Sam Sanchez, the owner of John Barleycorn and the building where it is located, did not respond to a request for comment.

First Great Pink Run coming to Diversey Harbor

Registration now open

Early-bird registration is now open at www.GreatPinkRun.com for the inaugural Great Pink Run with Glanbia 5K and 10K, to take place 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 5, at Diversey Harbor.

Funds raised at this family-friendly event will support international breast cancer research collaboration between leading experts at the Univ. of Chicago Ludwig Center for Metastasis Research and global researchers at the College of Royal Surgeons in Ireland.

Early bird entry fees, valid through Aug. 2, are \$30 for adults. Breast cancer patients and survivors are \$25. Children ages 10 – 17 are also \$25.

All include Great Pink Run t-shirts. Children under 10 years old are \$5, no t-shirt included.

Those who cannot make the Great Pink Run in person, but would like to support breast cancer research efforts, can join as a virtual participant for \$45, including a Great Pink Run t-shirt. Adult entry fees increase to \$40 from Aug. 3 – Sept. 13, and to \$50 from Sept. 14 – Oct. 5.

For more information on registering at team, please contact Mariah Cater at mcater@researchacure.com.

Led by Irish Olympian and 5000-meter World Champion Sonia O'Sullivan, the Great Pink Run with Glanbia encourages

men, women and children to take part in running, jogging or walking a 5K family fun-run or a Chicago Area Runners Association-certified 10K to raise funds in support of research to find a cure for breast cancer.

Great Pink Run participants are

encouraged to dress in their most outrageous pink outfits and will enjoy a "pinktastic" festival.

Visit www.GreatPinkRun.com. For information on Research A Cure, log onto www.ResearchACure.com.



Comedy Sportz Chicago is working with the Game On! Sports Camp 4 Girls this summer to teach students in grades 3 through 7 about improv and performance.
Photo courtesy Game On! Sports 4 Girls

Girls sports camp offering improv, performance classes with Comedy Sportz Chicago

Throughout July, Comedy Sportz Chicago has partnered with Game On! Sports Camp 4 Girls to teach students in grades 3 through 7 about improv and performance.

The goal of the sessions, held on three Mondays during July at the Walt Disney Magnet School, 4140 N. Marine Drive, is to improve communication and leadership skills while also developing a voice in comedy and an appreciation of the art form.

"ComedySportz Chicago is known for its family-friendly approach to comedy, and these classes allow us to introduce improv and its basics to an eager audience," ComedySportz artistic director Jason Geis said. "The

girls, who will also be performing comedy, can use these 'lessons' to help in their everyday lives, too."

ComedySportz is a game-based short form improv comedy show that uses an interactive format emceed by a referee. Game On! founder Barb Lazarus said her organization's partnership with Comedy Sportz allows both groups to integrate improv – which emphasizes communication and expression – with sports.

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Couple charged in Uptown attack that sent 4 to hospital



Kira Beckley Corey Douglas

A man and a woman face felony charges in connection with a violent incident that sent four people, including themselves, to hospitals July 14. The Chicago Fire Dept. declared a Plan I EMS response to handle the injuries.

Prosecutors have now charged Corey Douglas, 20, of Norridge with attempted first-degree murder and felony criminal damage to property.

Kira Beckley, 19, of the 1700 block of W. Thome in Edgewater is charged with felony aggravated battery with a deadly weapon.

A police spokesperson said officers who responded to the 4500 block of N. Sheridan around 6:30 p.m. found Douglas being detained by two men. Witnesses told police that he had repeatedly struck a 24-year-old man in the head and body with a rubber mallet. A residential building vestibule was damaged during the attack, police said.

The victim was taken to St. Francis Hospital in Evanston in critical condition with multiple head injuries, police said Sunday. Douglas was taken to Swedish Covenant Hospital with minor scrapes.

Officers said they also saw Beckley having a physical fight with a 22-year-old woman. Police intervened when they saw Beckley lunge at the victim's back with "a weapon," according to police. The women were separated and Beckley was taken into custody. Police did not specify what kind of weapon Beckley allegedly wielded, but a small knife was recovered from the scene.

Beckley was transported to Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center with lacerations to her chest and right hand. The other woman was transported in serious condition to St. Francis Hospital in Evanston with multiple injuries to her head and face.

The incident was reportedly domestic in nature. Douglas and Beckley are due in bond court on Tuesday afternoon.

Man swipes phone from 3-year-old, tries to sell it back to his mom

An Armour Square man who stole an iPhone from his boss' 3-year-old, then offered to sell the device back for \$500 was arrested by a police tactical team when he showed up to carry out the deal at a Lincoln Park restaurant, police said.

Javonte Taylor, 25, allegedly stole the phone from the pre-school boy at his mother's restaurant in the 2400 block of N. Clark on June 30 and left the scene. Taylor was an employee of the restaurant, police said.

Prosecutors said Taylor later text-



Javonte Taylor

ed the restaurant's owner and offered to sell the phone back to her for \$500. The woman agreed to the deal and arranged for Taylor to meet her at the restaurant on July 8.

The woman also contacted police, and a 19th District (Town Hall) tactical team set up surveillance on the restaurant and arrested Taylor as he arrived for the meeting at 2:45 p.m. An iPhone in his possession was held for investigation.

Taylor is charged with felony theft. Judge Sandra Ortiz set bail at \$1,000, which allows him to go free by posting a 10% deposit bond of \$100. He is due back in court on Aug. 12. Court records show that Taylor was sentenced to two years in prison for robbery in 2011.

Robbers targeting Sedgwick Brown Line station

A series of afternoon and evening robberies near the Sedgwick Brown Line CTA station has prompted Chicago police to issue a community alert for the Old Town neighborhood.

Investigators issue an alert when they believe a person or group is responsible for a crime pattern.

Three robberies were reported near the Sedgwick station on two recent Sundays: one on the afternoon of July 14 and two on July 21 during evening hours, police said.

Each case involved two men who forcibly took phones from victims' hands in the 1500 block of N. Sedgwick. A gun was displayed by the robbers during one of the July 21 muggings.

The offenders are two black men between 18- and 25-years-old who stand 5'-8" to 6' tall and weigh about 175 lbs, according to the alert.

Anyone with information about these crimes may contact Area Central detectives at 312-747-8380.

Uptown man shot while sitting on porch

A 43-year-old man was shot in the arm as he sat on a back porch in Uptown July 15, police said. No one is in custody.

The victim and another person were on the porch of a residence in the 4600 block of N. Ashland just after 11 p.m. when they heard a couple of gunshots nearby, they said. The victim immediately felt pain in his left bicep and realized that he had been shot, according to police.

Officers did not find any shell casings in the area.

An ambulance transported the man in good condition to Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center.

Armed man robs, carjacks woman in Lincoln Park garage

A Lincoln Park woman was confronted in her garage by an armed man who battered her, robbed her, and stole her car July 14, according to police. The offender remains at large.

Police said the victim, 56, was parking her car in her garage on the 1800 block of N. Fremont when the man approached her with a knife at 8:38 a.m. He demanded her valuables and forced her from the car. A struggle ensued and the woman was thrown to the ground and choked by the offender who then entered the vehicle and drove away northbound.

The offender initially ordered the victim to close the garage door behind them before initiating the robbery, according to an email shared with neighbors by a person familiar with the incident.

The victim suffered minor injuries to her legs and arms, but declined transportation to a hospital, police said.

Taken was a silver 2019 Honda Fit bearing a license plate that begins with "AZ77." The car will have damage on its roof because the garage door

was going down as the robber backed out. He also struck the garage, so the car may have additional damage on its back end.

The offender is described as a black man between 20- and 35-years-old who stands about 5'-10" tall and weighs 175 to 215 lbs, police said. He had bushy hair, carried a backpack, and was wearing dark jeans, a dark t-shirt.

Catalytic converter thieves sweep through North Side

A band of catalytic converter thieves has struck at least eight times in the past week on side streets near Ashland Ave. in the Uptown, Edgewater, and Andersonville neighborhoods, police say.

Thieves love stealing catalytic converters from the undersides of cars because the parts contain expensive metals, including platinum and palladium that can demand payments of \$100 to \$200 at scrap yards.

Police listed eight specific incidents since July 11 on the North Side in a community alert. All of the thefts took place within a quarter-mile of Ashland Ave.

Victims said thefts took place between July 12 and July 13 on the 1600 block of W. Carmen; the 1400 block of W. Hollywood, and the 5000 block of N. Paulina. Another was reported on the 4800 block of N. Ashland on July 13.

Three catalytic converters were taken between July 15 and 16: on the 1500 block of W. Ardmore, the 1600 block of W. Olive, and the 5600 block of N. Hermitage.

The eighth incident took place sometime between July 11 and July 17 on the 1400 block of W. Catalpa, police said.

SUVs are often targeted because their high ground clearance makes it easier to access the undercarriage with a saw. Victims rarely know that their catalytic converter has been stolen until they start their car. That's when they'll be startled by a loud, roaring sound of their freshly-unmuffled engine. Anyone with information about the latest rash of thefts may contact Area North detectives at 312-744-8263 about pattern number P19-N-188.

Bike-riding, gun-toting felon threatens to shoot man

A convicted felon displayed a handgun and threatened to shoot another man for being in his way near Boystown July 17, police said. Charges have been filed.

Uptown resident Anthony McKenna was riding a bike in the 3800 block of N. Broadway around 7:55 p.m. when he threatened to batter the victim if the man failed to move, police said.

McKenna then got off of his bike, displayed a handgun in his waistband, and threatened to shoot the victim.

The victim flagged down a passing police officer to report the incident and then rode around in a squad car looking for the man who threatened him.

McKenna, 37, was arrested a short time later in the parking lot of Jewel-Osco, 3531 N. Broadway. A handgun was recovered, police said.

Prosecutors charged McKenna with being a felon in possession of a weapon, aggravated unlawful use of a weapon, and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. He is due in bond court on Friday.

In 2016, McKenna posted a graphic photo to Facebook showing injuries to his left leg moments after he was shot. Friends and family members



Anthony McKenna



Inset: Jordan Watkins

Convicted felon sentenced to prison for having loaded AK-47 on Belmont CTA platform

A convicted felon has been sentenced to more than six years in federal prison for illegally possessing a loaded AK-47 on an elevated train platform in Lakeview.

Jordan Watkins, 31, illegally possessed the gun on the morning of July 29, 2017, at the CTA's Belmont Station, which serves multiple elevated train lines. The rifle was strapped across Watkins's chest underneath his grey sweatshirt, was loaded and had one live round in the chamber. Watkins was also carrying a messenger bag that contained two 30-round magazines, one of which was loaded with four rounds.

After a 911 call reported a man who "has a gun on him and like a really big clip," multiple Chicago Police officers responded to the station and arrested

posted responses that urged McKenna to change his ways.

Rash of robberies in Lincoln Bend

Police are waring about recent thefts from buildings that occurred in June. In these thefts, the offender(s) gained entry into the parking garage of the condo building. Once inside, the offender(s) removed property from the parking garage.

Incidents include one on the 2400 block of W. Catalpa Ave. 10:49 a.m. June 1; in the 5500 block of N. Lincoln Ave. 1:15 p.m. June 3; 5900 block of N. Lincoln Ave. June 12-13, between 6:30 p.m.-7 a.m., and one on the 5500 block of N. Lincoln Ave. 9 p.m. June 15.

Two male white offenders were involved in one of the incidents. No additional description available.

Two charged with mugging woman at Belmont CTA Station



(Left) Deshawn Harrison (Right) Jason Walker

Two men are charged with mugging a woman near the Belmont Red Line CTA station July 17, police said. And this is the third time one of the men has been arrested for robbery since 2015.

A 28-year-old woman told police that Jason Walker and Deshawn Harrison tried to grab her phone in the 3100 block of N. Sheffield at 10:58 a.m. An argument broke out and the men threatened the woman, prompting her to push them. The two then grabbed her phone and began punching her in the face and body, police said.

When the victim fell onto the ground, one of the men held her down and kicked her before the offenders fled eastbound on Belmont Ave., according to police. Officers searched the area and found both men in the 3400 block of N. Halsted. Police arrested the men after they were identified by the victim.

The victim suffered minor injuries to her elbow and foot, police said.

Watkins on the southbound platform.

Watkins was on parole for armed robbery at the time of the incident. State prosecutors initially charged him with being a felon in possession of a weapon and being an armed habitual criminal.

Watkins, who was on parole at the time he possessed the rifle, had previously been convicted of multiple felonies and was not legally allowed to possess a firearm. He pleaded guilty last year in the federal case to one count of illegal possession of a firearm by a felon. U.S. District Judge Andrea R. Wood on Wednesday sentenced Watkins to six years and four months in federal prison.

Walker, 22, was ordered held without bail. Bail for 19-year-old Harrison was set at \$10,000.

This is the third time Walker, who is currently on parole, has been charged with robbery since 2015.

Residential burglaries in North Center

Police are investigating three residential burglaries in North Center. In those burglaries, the offender forcibly entered into the residences through rear or front doors during the daytime hours. Once inside, the offender removed property from the home before fleeing.

Incidents include one on the 4300 block of N. Paulina St., June 6, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.; another on the 4400 block of N. Rockwell St. 10:30 a.m. July 11, and one on the 4400 block of N. Rockwell St. 11 a.m. July 11.

The suspect is described as one African American male; 5'-10"-6' tall; 230-270 lbs; black hair; short hairstyle and a dark complexion.

Man on probation for gun charges found with weapon

A man who is on probation for having a gun in a car in the Old Town neighborhood is back in jail, accused of having a gun in a car in the Old Town neighborhood last week.

Police working a concentrated mission on the 1200 block of N. Sedgwick following a recent shooting pulled Coby Underwood over around 9:30 p.m. July 6 because his van had only one working headlight, according to a CPD report. Officers reportedly smelled pot coming from the van, and they asked the occupants to step out.

Two handguns were found behind a loose panel next to the rear passenger seat and cops located heroin and crack cocaine in the car, too.



Coby Underwood

Popular drag performer injured in crash dies after surgery; Other driver's alcohol level was 3x legal limit

BY CWBCHICAGO.COM

Jherion Bates, a popular drag performer who was hospitalized after an allegedly drunk driver, Gerrick Birt, struck his car head-on in Boystown last week, died on Sunday, July 21, according to the Cook County Medical Examiner. He was 25. The cause of death has not yet been determined.

Bates, who performed in clubs as Gigi Mayonaé, underwent surgery at Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center on Saturday morning to repair a broken pelvis.

He returned to Facebook from his hospital bed at 9:45 Sunday morning. Bates said he was not experiencing as much pain as before and joked, "I'm mad I'm missing Sunday Funday." But something happened, and Bates was pronounced dead at 1:50 p.m. An autopsy is planned.

Friends are taking to social media to remember Bates.

Fellow performer Ario Gato

wrote, "Rest In Peace Miss Gigi Mayonaé! You were such a kind soul, a supportive sister, and an INCREDIBLE talent. Wish we had more time together. My heart is broken."

Chicago police listed a home address for Bates in downstate Danville. The medical examiner's office listed a home address in the Woodlawn neighborhood.

3x The Legal Limit

Police said 29-year-old Gerrick Birt's blood-alcohol level was more than three times the legal limit when he sped south on Halsted St., swerved into the northbound lanes, and slammed head-on into Bates' car just south of Addison St. at 2:14 a.m. Thursday.

Bates told Facebook friends that he was on the way to Charlie's nightclub, a venue where he frequently performed, when the other car slammed into him.

Birt was charged Friday with



Jherion Bates a.k.a. Gigi Mayonaé.

felony DUI causing an accident with bodily harm, two counts of misdemeanor DUI and traffic violations, including failure to have insurance.

Bail for Birt was set at \$10,000. He went free on Saturday after posting a 10% deposit bond of \$1,000, according to a Cook County sheriff's spokesperson.

Patrol officers working near Roscoe and Halsted raced to the crash scene after they heard a loud noise and then saw smoke coming from two vehicles. Police said an officer smelled a strong odor of alcohol when they found Birt sitting behind the wheel of his car, which had caught fire. A cop helped him from the car because he was unable to follow directions, police said.

Snapchat video from moments after the crash shows smoke billowing from cars and a lone horn honking at an otherwise eerily quiet scene.

Birt allegedly told officers that he didn't remember much of the drive. Police said he told them that he was driving from Rogers Park to his Bridgeport home after consuming three ounces of Jack Daniel's whiskey.

But later, police said, Birt told them he had been drinking Miller beer and only remembered that he drove out of a parking space. He

did not recall drinking whiskey or telling police that he consumed Jack Daniel's, the officers wrote.

An Earlier Case

Court records show that Birt was charged in 2014 with possessing more than a half-pound of pot, driving without insurance,



Gerrick Birt

and running a stop sign at 3400 N. Sheffield, just a few blocks from Thursday's crash scene.

He would eventually plead guilty and receive 18-months probation. Also charged in that case was his passenger and close friend, Mikal Johnson. Johnson would be murdered less than a year later in Logan Square.

Birt also goes by the name Cody DeCamry.

Seven shot on lakefront near Fullerton

BY CWBCHICAGO.COM

Seven people, mostly women, were shot early Saturday near the entrance to Theater on the Lake, 2401 N. Lake Shore Dr., according to police sources. No one is in custody. It is the second mass-shooting incident in the area since June 6.

The shooting came shortly after police supervisors twice summoned officers to disperse large crowds in nearby Lincoln Park.

Police said a group of people was walking toward the lakefront at 3:20 a.m. when they encountered another group that was leaving. A verbal altercation broke out and escalated, causing people from both groups to pull out handguns and open fire, police said.

A CPD surveillance camera captured images of at least two men firing guns near the brick sign marking the entrance to the lakefront theater's parking lot.

Officers who reviewed the video footage described two gunmen:

- A black male wearing a bright green T-shirt, white do-rag, black hat, gray faded jeans and black shoes.

- A black male wearing a black graphic T-shirt with writing on the back and white stripes on the sleeves, dark pants, and gray boxer shorts.

Both suspected gunmen fled westbound on Fullerton and then northbound on Cannon Dr. after

the shooting, the officers said. Police leaders twice summoned more units to clear large crowds from the area of Cannon Dr. north of Fullerton in the hours leading up to the shooting. The 19th District Police commander led the first effort around 12:30 a.m. A second push was made about an hour later.

Six victims were found at the scene:

- A 28-year-old woman with a gunshot wound to her lower left leg

- A 27-year-old woman with a gunshot wound to her upper right

arm

- A 28-year-old man with a gunshot wound to his upper left thigh

- A 24-year-old man with a gunshot wound to his right calf

- A 24-year-old woman with a gunshot wound to her left shoulder

- A 24-year-old woman with a gunshot wounds to both legs

The victims were treated at Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center and Northwestern Memorial Hospital. All of their conditions have been stabilized and none is believed to have life-

threatening injuries.

About an hour after the incident, a 46-year-old woman walked into Holy Cross Hospital with a gunshot wound to her left chest. She told police that she was on the lakefront at Fullerton Ave. when she was shot. The woman has been transferred to Mount Sinai Hospital.

This incident is the second mass-shooting to be reported in the immediate area this year.

Three people were injured and one was killed when their mini-

van came under fire from another vehicle as they traveled on Lake Shore Dr. at Fullerton late on June 6. Investigators believed the June shooting was revenge for another gang-related shooting.

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Police said Underwood, 19, told them that he owned the vehicle, but had no knowledge of any firearms or drugs being inside.

Underwood is charged with three narcotics possession charges and misdemeanor unlawful use of a weapon on public lands (a Cook County prosecutor refused to file a felony gun charge).

Judge Sandra Ortiz set bail at \$5,000 on the new charges. However, Underwood was also ordered held without bail on a violation of probation.

Paroled robber sexually assaulted transgender woman on Halsted St.

A transgender woman was sexually assaulted and choked in a Boystown gangway this week by a convicted robber who was released from prison earlier this month, according to police and state records.

Officers were called to the Center on Halsted, 3656 N. Halsted, at 2:10 p.m. July 17 after an employee reported that a man with a knife was hiding in a bathroom stall on the ground floor, according to dispatch records.

Cops detained the man, identified as Rosha Banks, 24, and secured a knife. The woman, also 24, approached officers at the scene and said Banks had sexually assaulted her near the LGBTQ service center on Monday, July 15.

An investigation was launched and prosecutors have now charged Banks with aggravated criminal sexual assault causing bodily harm, criminal sexual assault by force, criminal sexual assault-consent, kidnapping by force, aggravated battery-strangulation, and possession of a deadly weapon.

Prosecutors on Friday said Banks forced the victim to perform sex acts in a passageway on the 3600 block of N. Halsted and later threatened to kill her if she left him.

Judge Mary Marubio ordered Banks held without bail.

Banks was sentenced to three years in prison for a 2017 robbery. He was released on July 3 after serving half of his sentence.



Rosha Banks

Lakeview man pistol-whipped

Three men cornered, pistol-whipped, and carjacked a Lakeview man near his home July 18, police said. No one is in custody.

The 32-year-old victim told police that he was walking on the 1600 block of W. Nelson around 9:30 p.m. when the offenders approached him and demanded his car keys at gunpoint. He was then cornered, struck in the face with a handgun, and robbed of his phone and wallet.

Police said the three men then got into the man's maroon-colored 2016 Acura RDX and drove east on Nelson.

The victim was transported to Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center for treatment of his injuries to his face.

Police said he described the robbers as three black men, including one with dreadlocks and another with short hair. The offenders came to the area in another vehicle, but the victim was not able to describe that car.

Officers later said they found the victim's cellphone in the 1200 block of W. Wellington. CPD plate reader technology pinged the victim's car as it moved through the Englewood neighborhood about two hours after it was stolen.

Uptown man shot in the arm is uncooperative

A man who was shot in the arm during an altercation between two groups in Uptown July 20 is not cooperating with the police investigation, CPD said.

The 27-year-old was in the 5100 block of N. Broadway around 3:40 a.m. when an argument broke out between two groups of men. Someone in one of the groups opened fire, striking the man in his right forearm, police said.

Officers responded to a call of shots fired at the time of the incident, but there was no victim on-scene at the time, according to a police statement. Personnel at Northwestern Memorial Hospital notified police later when the victim walked in and sought treatment for the wound. His condition was stabilized.

Investigators reviewed video footage and confirmed that the man was shot at the Broadway location. Area North detectives are handling the case.

Lincoln Park assault update

BY CWBCHICAGO

Chicago police on Sunday were advised to keep an eye out for a stolen SUV that was used by the man who brutally attacked a recent DePaul graduate near the school's Lincoln Park campus last week.

Investigators are looking for a white 2010 Suzuki Vitara bearing an Indiana plate that begins with "101." Officers were told the SUV has a sunroof and was reported stolen on July 17, hours before the victim was attacked on the 2300 block of N. Halsted.

Police said they had secured video that shows a man driving the wrong way on Belden Ave. and then emerging to attack the 22-year-old woman with a knife around 3:30 a.m. Investigators suggested the attack may have

been sexually-motivated, but a CPD spokesperson said the victim was not sexually assaulted.

A community alert issued by police on Friday described the attacker only as "male."

Passersby found the woman on the ground outside of a DePaul facility bleeding from her neck, about 50' from where the attack apparently unfolded. Officers initially thought the woman may have been struck by a car until they discovered slash wounds to her face and neck. Her condition has been stabilized, and doctors expect the woman to recover.

A 2018 attack

Last week's incident sparked memories of a similar attack on a woman that was reported about a half-mile away on April 10, 2018. In that case, a 21-year-old woman was attacked from behind by a man who repeatedly

stabbed her in the 1200 block of W. Webster around 10:50 p.m.

Surveillance video later showed the assailant double-park an SUV on a nearby side street, then sit on a landscaping fence until the woman passed him. He then stood up, grabbed the woman in a chokehold from behind, and "immediately stabbed the victim numerous times in the neck and back," police said at the time. He then returned to the Cadillac SRX and drove away.

The victim said the man never said a word. Police never revealed a motive, and the case has not been solved, according to information on the city's crime data portal.

The 2018 attacker was described as a male of unknown race who stands about 5'-9" tall and was wearing all black clothing including a black hoodie and baggy black pants.

Cops seeking man and woman in connection with double stabbing

Police have released images of two people they want to identify in connection with a double stabbing that took place in the Loop earlier this month.

The man and woman reportedly approached a group and engaged them in conversation on the 100 block of E. Washington around 11:25 p.m.



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The victims were waiting for a ride-hail car near the northeast corner of Wabash and Washington when another vehicle drove up with a man and woman inside. The offenders stepped out of their car and the situation escalated, police said.

Police said the male offender stabbed a three-month pregnant 27-year-old in the stomach. A 26-year-old man in the group was stabbed twice in

the abdomen. The offenders returned to their car and drove away eastbound on Washington, police said.

Anyone with information about the individuals may contact Area Central detectives at 312-747-8380 regarding case JC337989.

Robbery victim undergoes surgery after attack at Belmont Red Line; Incident similar to recent pattern

A robbery victim underwent surgery this weekend after he was attacked at the Belmont Red Line CTA station late Friday or early Saturday, police said. The incident appears to be similar to a series of attacks that detectives warned about earlier this month. No one is in custody.

The man told police he was standing outside the station when three men approached him and asked for a cigarette between 11 p.m. Friday and 1 a.m. on Saturday, according to a CPD spokesman.

When he told the men that he did not have a cigarette, one of the men punched him in the face, knocking him to the ground. The three then began beating and kicking the man before stealing his phone and leaving the scene.

The victim took himself to nearby Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center where he underwent surgery

for unspecified injuries, the spokesperson said.

Police described the robbers only as three black men between 20- and 29-years old.

Detectives recently issued a community alert warning about a group of robbers who are attacking and robbing lone men near the Belmont station. In the alert, police said a pair of men had been robbing the victims on sidewalks in the area.

On July 8, a man was about 100 yards from the station when two men approached him from behind and punched him in the face around 1:50 a.m. Both robbers went through the man's pockets and took his property before running from the scene, the victim said.

Another man was attacked outside the station at 11:45 p.m. on June 30. A third incident that police believe is connected took place further away in the 2500 block of North Clark at 3:30 a.m. on June 22.

The offenders in the alert were described only as two African-American men.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY

DIVISION U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE STRUCTURED ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-GEL1 Plaintiff, -v- DIANE GOTTlieb, LAKE POINT TOWER CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, BANKFINANCIAL N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO SUCCESS NATIONAL BANK, CITY OF CHICAGO, AN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CORPORATION Defendants 18 CH 12348 505 NORTH LAKE SHORE DRIVE, UNIT 4908 Chicago, IL 60611 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on April 29, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on August 9, 2019, 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 505 NORTH LAKE SHORE DRIVE, UNIT 4908, Chicago, IL 60611 Property Index No. 17-10-214-016-1215. The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$479,961.87. 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. 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

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE RMAC TRUST, SERIES 2016-CTT; Plaintiff, -v- JOSEPH GRODMAN; CITY OF CHICAGO, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; BANK OF AMERICA (NA), ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants, 15 CH 16304 Calendar 58 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, August 20, 2019 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate: P.I.N. 17-04-442-020-0000. Commonly known as 855 N DEARBORN STREET, CHICAGO, IL 60610. 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 Ms. Kimberly S. Reid at Plaintiff's Attorney, Marinosci Law Group, PC, 134 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. (312) 940-8580. 16-17027 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer, (312) 444-1122

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Last month the beverage maker surveyed 1,815 attendees of 16 major festivals - with the average festival goer they surveyed having attended eight events, and 46% who drove at least two hours to get there (17% had flown or driven six hours). So these are the grizzled veterans of the festival scene, and their number one complaint? People peeing outside the porta-potties. That's the same complaint heard from Wrigleyville neighbors about baseball fans and concerts-goers

at Wrigley Field, go figure.

While it's understandable to be tempted to let loose when you're stuck in a long line and The Black Keys are about to take the stage, don't do it. There are laws against peeing in public and you'll still miss your favorite band if you're arrested or tossed out.

Other irritants noted in the survey's Top 10 were people holding up signs, smelly bodies, moshing/crowd surfing and those pushing to the front during sets, those who sneak in on fake or shared bracelets, the ubiquitous videotaking during music sets, people stoned out of their bejesus on liquor and drugs, PDA's/couples hooking up, people who are showing too much skin or wearing costumes.

Who are these animals?

Sadly, the survey identified Chicago's Pitchfork Festival as having the smelliest crowds in America and third worst for crowd-surfing/moshing.

Lakeview Township Real Estate For Sale

Real Estate For Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION DITECH FINANCIAL LLC Plaintiff,

-v.-
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Defendants
19 CH 011174
4216 N. ASHLAND AVE GARDEN, UNIT G CHICAGO, IL 60657

NOTICE OF SALE
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Commonly known as 4216 N. ASHLAND AVE GARDEN, UNIT G, CHICAGO, IL 60657
Property Index No. 14-18-410-044-1001 fka 14-18-410-024-0000.
The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$237,280.71.

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For information, contact Plaintiffs attorney: HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719 Please refer to file number LS424.

If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR MORGAN STANLEY MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2004-6AR MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-6AR Plaintiff,

-v.-
VICTORIA WELLS-MACCARTHY, COUNTRY-WIDE HOME LOANS, INC., PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Defendants
2018 CH 13734
1831 WEST BELLE PLAINE AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60613

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on May 30, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on September 3, 2019, 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 1831 WEST BELLE PLAINE AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60613
Property Index No. 14-18-419-008-0000
The real estate is improved with a residence.

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

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be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, the right to redeem does not arise, there shall be no right of redemption.

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

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For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiffs Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876

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Case Number: 2018 CH 13734
TJSC#: 39-3552
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Case # 2018 CH 13734

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION STATE BANK OF TEXAS, as successor in interest to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, as Receiver for Seaway Bank and Trust Company, Plaintiff,

-v.
COURTNEY JAYE CHATMAN, ADRIENNE MILAN CHATMAN, PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES, LLC, PRATT ESTATES CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

Case No. 2019 CH 08370
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY PUBLICATION
The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants, defendants in the above entitled cause, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Chancery Division on July 17, 2019, and is now pending by the said Plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit:

1. The name of the Plaintiff and the Case Number are identified above.
2. The Court in which said action was brought is identified above.
3. The name of the titleholder of record is Courtney Jaye Chatman and Adrienne Milan Chatman.
4. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:

UNIT 1303-1 TOGETHER WITH ITS UNDIVIDED PERCENTAGE INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS IN PRATT ESTATES CONDOMINIUM AS DELINEATED AND DEFINED IN THE DECLARATION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NO. 25527069, AS AMENDED, IN THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

COMMON ADDRESS: 1303 W. Pratt, Unit 1W, Chicago, Illinois 60626

P.I.N.: 11-32-304-027-1011

5. An identification of the Mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:

a. Name of Mortgagor: Courtney Jaye Chatman and Adrienne Milan Chatman.

b. Name of Mortgagee: State Bank of Texas, as successor in interest to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, as Receiver for Seaway Bank and Trust Company.

c. Date of Mortgage: March 6, 2013

d. Date of Recording of Mortgage: March 14, 2013

e. County/Place where Mortgage recorded: Cook County Recorder of Deeds

f. Identification of Recording of Mortgage: 1307357011

Now, therefore, unless you, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants, file your answer to the Complaint for Mortgage Foreclosure in said cause or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60602, on or before August 23, 2019, a default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a judgment of foreclosure entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint for Mortgage Foreclosure.

Sandra A. Franco-Aguilera (sandra.franco@saul.com)
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,

-v.-
LEE M BERENBAUM, KAREN BERENBAUM, HAWTHORNE COURT TOWNHOME CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants
19 CH 01241
1155 WEST ROSCOE, UNIT 1155 CHICAGO, IL 60657

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on May 22, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on September 6, 2019, 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 1155 WEST ROSCOE, UNIT 1155, CHICAGO, IL 60657
Property Index No. 14-20-414-019-1067.

The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$115,513.54.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
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For information, contact Plaintiffs attorney: HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719 Please refer to file number LS447.

If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION BANK OF AMERICA, NA; Plaintiff,

-v.-
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF MIRENEE KIRKPATRICK AKA MIMI RENEE KIRKPATRICK IF ANY THOMAS QUINN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR MIRENEE KIRKPATRICK AKA MIMI RENEE KIRKPATRICK; BOARD OF MANAGERS OF EMMERSON PARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; EMMERSON PARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; JEFFREY A. TIDEMAN; MIGUEL KIRKPATRICK; SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants.

17 CH 15400
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercountry Judicial Sales Corporation will on Thursday, August 22, 2019 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate:

P.I.N. 14-06-208-006-1005.

Commonly known as 1819 W. THOME AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60660.

The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)

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(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Ms. Kimberly S. Reid at Plaintiffs Attorney, Marinossi Law Group, PC, 134 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. (312) 940-8580. 17-14665

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Selling Officer, (312) 444-1122

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER Plaintiff,

-v.-
I HUNG GUO A/K/A I-HUNG GUO, A/K/A CYRUS GUO, 5757 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD CONDOMINIUM ASSOC., UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants

2018 CH 14170

5757 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD, # 8G 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 April 15, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on July 29, 2019, 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 5757 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD, # 8G, CHICAGO, IL 60660
Property Index No. 14-05-407-016-1045.

The real estate is improved with a condominium with an attached 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/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.

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Case Number: 2018 CH 14170
TJSC#: 39-2500

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION WELLS FARGO BANK N.A. TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF BEAR STEARNS STRUCTURED PRODUCTS TRUST 2007-EMX1, BY GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC AS SUBSERVICER WITH DELEGATED AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEE Plaintiff,

-v.-
IRIS PERRETTE, CNH CAPITAL AMERICA LLC, STATE OF ILLINOIS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants

15 CH 005247

1827 W. CUYLER AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60613

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on February 5, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on August 23, 2019, 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 1827 W. CUYLER AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60613

Property Index No. 14-18-424-010-0000.

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be ac-

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cepted. 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.

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For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiffs attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-15-05012.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF10 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST Plaintiff,

-v.-
INGEBORG REISENEIDER, CITIBANK, N.A., 4180 POLO TOWER CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants
17 CH 005691
4180 N. MARINE DRIVE UNIT #1505 CHICAGO, IL 60613

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on May 15, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on August 19, 2019, 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 4180 N. MARINE DRIVE UNIT #1505, CHICAGO, IL 60613
Property Index No. 14-16-303-040-1170, Property Index No. 14-16-303-040-1198.

The real estate is improved with a condo/townhouse.

Sale terms: 25% down of

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firefighter and teacher pensions. And don't forget Tax Increment Financing Districts [TIF] too. They are all over the North Side. The CTA's Red Line 'Super TIF' alone sucks up all new property taxes generated on a great deal of the North Side in that the district is a mile wide and runs up the North Lakefront from North Ave. to Devon Ave. And there are dozens of other districts too from the Loop north to the Evanston border. Those TIF districts take all of the new property tax revenue being created these days, and will for years to come, forcing those individual taxing bodies to increase the demand for more taxes on non-TIF

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properties to meet their budgets. TIF districts in wealthy North Side 'blighted' neighborhoods may be one of the greatest property tax swindles ever created in Chicago history.

Chicago's 2018 tax rate decreased slightly to \$6.786 from \$7.266 per \$100 of assessed valuation in 2017. In 2016, the tax rate was \$7.169 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

"The 2018 tax rate in Chicago was lower, and so was the state equalization factor," noted Griffin. "With the sharply higher 2018 assessments in the city, the multiplier and the tax rate should have moved lower if the amount of money that local governments request remains the same as last year."

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION BYLINE BANK, AN ILLINOIS BANKING ASSOCIATION FKA NORTH COMMUNITY BANK; Plaintiff,

vs.
WILLIAM J. PLATT, AN INDIVIDUAL; WILLIAM J. PLATT LIVING TRUST DATED MARCH 19, 1998; WILLIAM J. PLATT, AS TRUSTEE OF THE WILLIAM J. PLATT LIVING TRUST DATED MARCH 19, 1998; WILLIAM J. PLATT LIVING TRUST; RITA E. PLATT LIVING TRUST DATED MARCH 19, 1998;

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RITA E. PLATT, AS TRUSTEE OF THE RITA E. PLATT LIVING TRUST DATED MARCH 19, 1998; RITA E. PLATT LIVING TRUST; STATE OF ILLINOIS; AT WORLD PROPERTIES, LLC; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY; FIRST BANK, A NATIONAL BANKING INSTITUTION; PNC BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO NATIONAL CITY BANK BY VIRTUE OF A MORTGAGE DATED DECEMBER 12, 2006 AND RECORDED MARCH 6, 2012 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 1206619038; AND UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants,
18 ch 1303
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 Monday, August 12, 2019 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged

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real estate:
Commonly known as 3759 North Janssen Avenue, Chicago, IL 60613.
P.I.N. 14-20-114-001-0000.

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 Mr. Scott H. Kenig at Plaintiff's Attorney, Randall & Kenig LLP, 455 North Cityfront Plaza Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60611. (312) 822-0800.

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

-v-
DENNETTE M. DEREZOTES AKA DENNETTE DEREZOTES, ROBIN YOUNG, STATE OF ILLINOIS, NORTHGATE PIER CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants

17 CH 657
7641 NORTH EASTLAKE TERRACE, UNIT 1D 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 May 28, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on August 29, 2019, 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 7641 NORTH EASTLAKE TERRACE, UNIT 1D, Chicago, IL 60626
Property Index No. 11-29-110-023-1010
The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$227,186.45.
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For information, the sales clerk, SHAPIRO KREISMAN & ASSOCIATES, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 2121 WAUKEGAN RD., SUITE 301, Bannockburn, IL 60015 (847) 291-1717 For information call between the hours of 1pm - 3pm. Please refer to file number 17-081959.

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Attorney File No. 17-081959
Attorney Code. 42168
Case Number: 17 CH 657
TJSC#: 39-3530

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR WINSTED FUNDING FINANCE TRUST SERIES 2016-5 Plaintiff,

-v-
ROBERTO MARQUEZ, EVA MARQUEZ, PARKLAND CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants

17 CH 16869
1627 W. TOUHY AVE., APT 104 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 May 23, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on August 26, 2019, 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 1627 W. TOUHY AVE., APT 104, Chicago, IL 60626
Property Index No. 11-31-203-023-1004
The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$258,412.07.

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

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For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: LAW OFFICES OF IRA T. NEVEL, LLC, 175 N. Franklin Street, Suite 201, CHICAGO, IL 60606, (312) 357-1125 Please refer calls to the sales department Please refer to file number 17-03702.

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Attorney File No. 17-03702
Attorney Code. 18837
Case Number: 17 CH 16869
TJSC#: 39-3361

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-v-
MILOS RADOSAVLJEVIC, MILEVA RADOSAVLJEVIC, FREYDIN LAW OFFICES Defendants

12 CH 33014
7220 NORTH RIDGE BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60645

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on November 30, 2018, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on August 21, 2019, 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 7220 NORTH RIDGE BOULEVARD, CHICAGO, IL 60645
Property Index No. 11-30-322-020-0000
The real estate is improved with a red brick two story single family home with no garage.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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MCCALLA RAYMER LEIBERT PIERCE, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, One North Dearborn Street, Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file number 2327.

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Attorney File No. 2327
Attorney ARDC No. 61256
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Case Number: 12 CH 33014
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,

-v-
MAKSIM SOFOVICH, MARGARITA SOFOVICH, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., THE ROYALTON CONDOMINIUM HOMES, INC. Defendants

17 CH 9570
6800 N. CALIFORNIA AVE. #3Q CHICAGO, IL 60645

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on February 6, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on August 13, 2019, 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 6800 N. CALIFORNIA AVE. #3Q, CHICAGO, IL 60645
Property Index No. 10-36-117-015-1056

The real estate is improved with a condo/townhouse.

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For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-17-10020.

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TIF districts in wealthy North Side 'blighted' neighborhoods may be one of the greatest property tax swindles ever created in Chicago history.

Griffin said other problem is that the assessment increases vary by neighborhood and from small to large for Chicago homeowners, "so everyone should appeal their assessment to reduce the assessment increase to as small a level as possible."

Experts say property owners who think they are over assessed should appeal now before they receive next year's tax bill. If they wait until the tax bill arrives in 2020, it will be too late to appeal.

Visit newly elected assessor Fritz Kaegi's website: www.cookcountyassessor.com, or call 312-443-7550 to find comparable properties or start the appeal process. If appealing at the assessor's office does not lower the assessed value, there are two other appeal options: the Cook County Board of Review (312-603-5542) or www.cookcounty-boardofreview.com, and the Illinois Property Tax Appeals Board (217-785-6076), or www.ptab.illinois.gov. Or, call Michael Griffin, an expert tax assessment lawyer, at 312-943-1789.

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

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For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: Penny A. Land, QUINTAIROS, PRIETO, WOOD & BOYER, P.A., 233 S. WACKER DRIVE, 70TH FLOOR, Chicago, IL 60606, (312) 566-0040 Please refer to file number 127297.

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free until his trial, Waters parents say they are worried he could be free in a plea deal with prosecutors. Foxx has earned a national reputation for being lenient on dangerous offenders and keeping them from doing any real jail time.

Waters School parents, teachers and community members sent a letter to Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx in which they note that if Gil is convicted he would be in prison for a long time and must register as a sex offender for life.

"We, the 150+ undersigned parents, teachers, and community members of Thomas J. Waters Elementary School, at 4540 N. Campbell Ave., are writing to express our deep concern about the potentially light sentence for Jason Gil, a former math teacher. Gil faces charges that he groomed, sexually abused, and assaulted a student over a three-year period starting in her 6th-grade year (2016), when she was 12 and he was 41, and ending only with his

arrest in early 2019. The charges include Gil's kissing the victim in a CPS classroom, multiple sexual encounters with the young victim, and exchanges of naked photos with the victim. If found guilty on all charges, Gil could be sentenced to 21-60 years and be required to register as a child sex offender for the rest of his life."

"We urge you to push for a sentence within that range, which includes lifetime child sex-offender registration," the group called Protect CPS Students stated.

They said they have been sending representatives from the group to each court appearance.

"This is no ordinary case," the letter further states. "Gil's defense attorney has claimed that the sexual encounters between the victim and Gil – a man in his 40s – was consensual. This claim is loathsome and has no legal standing. In the wake of the Chicago Tribune's "Betrayed" series last summer, it would be a grave mistake to set a low bar for the sentencing of a predatory CPS teacher. If a light sentence is handed

down to the first teacher convicted since the problem was exposed, what message would it send to the children of Cook County? What message would it send to other potential predators?"

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The fear of a plea deal, in which defendants admit guilt to less serious charges, is common. The outrageous example is the current case of multi-millionaire Jeffrey Epstein, who despite evidence of luring dozens of teenage girls into a cult-like sex pyramid and prostitution ring, got off with a light one-year sentence for prostitution. He was recently rearrested in NY.

The State's Attorney stated that no formal plea negotiations have started. Gil's defense attorney said they still haven't seen the state's evidence of his crimes. He told the Tribune the girl in question was not in Gil's class and that the two had a friendship.

Prosecutors said Gil started tutoring the girl at the school, and when she was 13 he kissed her in a classroom and later engaged in sexual activity with her in his car and at the girl's home when her parents were not at home. The girl's phone showed thousands of texts between her and Gil, including nude pictures, the Trib reported.

The news hit the Waters School community hard and children were reading about it on social media. One parent said some of the social media comments included blaming the victim.

CPS teachers and administrators have been fired in the wake of the newspaper series on the hundreds of alleged sexual assaults in the schools in 2018. Gil's case is not expected to go to trial soon.

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the earlier cases until after he was arrested and charged with abusing the schoolgirl, records show. Exactly why the earlier cases sat for three years, then suddenly resulted in charges after a third girl reported being victimized is not clear.

While the girls' allegations sat unprosecuted, Hawthorne went to work for Right At School, a vendor that provided after-school and recess monitoring services at Alexander Graham Bell Elementary, 3700 N. Oakley.

Late last year, a 12-year-old girl told a Bell staff member Hawthorne pinned her against a wall at the school and rubbed his body against her on several occasions between Nov. 7 and Nov. 21. Hawthorne was arrested in late December and charged with felony aggravated sexual abuse of a victim under age 13 and felony sexual exploitation of a child.

He went home on electronic monitoring after posting a \$5,000 deposit bond.

We discovered during a routine review of court records last week that two even more disturbing charges were filed against Hawthorne just weeks after the school case.

Chicago police records show that a mother filed a criminal sexual assault report on behalf of her two daughters in Dec. 2015. The girls, who were ages 9 and 10 at the time, told forensic interviewers that

So, why didn't the girls' allegations result in charges before the Bell student allegedly fell victim to Hawthorne?

Chicago police last week told us that we should ask the Cook County State's Attorney's Office for the answer.

Hawthorne had sexually assaulted them, according to a police report and charges filed by prosecutors this year.

Police said the older girl told investigators that Hawthorne kissed her neck and touched her private areas on multiple occasions between February and December 2015.

The younger child told an interviewer that Hawthorne touched her private areas and had sex with her during the same timeframe, according to a CPD arrest report.

No charges were filed for more than three years until January 15, 2019, less than three weeks after charges were approved in the Bell School case.

Police arrested Hawthorne on the 2015 cases in mid-January. He's charged with three counts of Class X felony predatory criminal sexual assault of a victim under age 13 and six felony counts of criminal sexual abuse of a victim under age 13. He

has been held without bail ever since.

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We did.

"The Chicago Police Department did not contact the State's Attorney's Office in 2015 to seek charges against this defendant, nor was State's Attorney [Kim] Foxx in office at that time" we were told. "In 2019, while investigating [the Bell School

case], we reviewed the incidents and added charges relating to those allegations."

So, we went back to CPD and asked again. Why the delay?

On Monday the department said the earlier cases were "not presented in a more timely manner due to the timeline to process evidence. There were also identity issues."

A source said the offender in the 2015 cases was listed by different names. Those identity challenges were apparently resolved quickly after the Bell student lodged new accusations.

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Uptown at Lawrence and Broadway, the owner of Shake, Rattle and Read record and book shop, just a few doors north of the Green Mill, said they were actually good for business. Owner Ric Addy said Borders helped drive foot traffic into his store that was an eclectic mix of old vinyl LPs, old Life and Playboy magazines from the 50s, cassettes and used books. He said he did more business on Ebay, but in 2016 he closed up and moved to Florida.

Hopefully, Uncharted Books will continue to thrive in its new location.

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