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Trilogy now provides 24/7 mental health mobile service

BY BOB KITSOS

Trilogy's First-response Alternative Crisis Team will transport trained personnel 24/7 to the North Side, Evanston and Skokie to respond to people in crisis. *Photo courtesy of Trilogy Behavioral Health Care*

Trilogy Behavioral Healthcare, a nonprofit behavioral healthcare organization that supports people in poor mental health to recovery, recently announced that its crisis response team has scaled up its service to be available 24/7.

The First-response Alternative Crisis Team [FACT] will respond to Trilogy's crisis hotline, 1-800-FACT-400.

FACT is a type of crisis care in which clinicians respond to ongoing mental health emergencies in the community and provide appropriate support.

For 50 years, Trilogy has supported people who struggle with significant mental illnesses like bipolar disorder, schizoaffective disorders, depression and other issues, often in tandem with barriers like substance use or homelessness.

The 24/7-upgrade became effective Aug. 29 and will operate in Rogers Park, Edgewater, West Ridge and Uptown as well as in Evanston and Skokie. Trilogy's FACT program began operations in early Jan. 2022, responding to calls between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Responses to calls consist of engagement and rapport- building, a personalized assessment, the creation of a safety plan and follow up/ongoing supports.

Their main office is located at 1400 W. Greenleaf in Rogers Park, and they have have centers at three other locations in the city. Trilogy's First-response Alternative Crisis Team is funded by the Illinois Dept. of Human Services Division of Mental Health.

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Jeff Fenwick, director of development said, "A mental health crisis can occur any time. We want to ensure that people have access to appropriate mental health responses whenever a crisis arises. FACT has expanded deliberately since it began in January to ensure that we can create robust processes and build the team. This round-the-clock model has been our intention all along."

Fenwick said Trilogy has been hiring and training the team and is prepared to support mental emergencies in the community. Currently, the team is almost fully staffed at 20 team members. FACT welcomes calls from individuals experiencing crisis as well as individuals concerned for the wellbeing of a loved one or community member.

Benefits of service upgrade

"Providing 24/7 service means that trained mental health support is available to provide people when they need it the most," Fenwick said. "Not everyone who calls the FACT number is in an immediate life-threatening situation. However, often when someone calls, we find the person on the other end of the line

MOBILE *see p. 16*

Last Saturday's Chalk Howard Street brought folks out to have some fun. See story on page 3.

From riches to rags, the story of Edgewater Hospital's fall

Library talk explains hospital's history

BY PATRICK BUTLER

Edgewater Medical Center as it appeared in the '50s-'60s. The original building is to the left and Mazel House 1953 expansion to the right.

It's been 21 years since they shut down Edgewater Hospital, but North Siders haven't completely forgotten.

In fact, podcasters Todd Ganz and Stephani Young of ifthewallscouldtalkpodcast.com, told all about everything to do with the former hospital from the stories of the famous who'd been born there – from Hillary Rodham Clinton to John Wayne Gacy to the days of Dr. Maurice Mazel.

Their program reviews Edgewater Hospital's early days as a glitzy medical center that served the North Side during Chicago's Jazz Age, to its last days, when heinous insurance fraud led to patients dying and hospital administrators and doctors doing jail time.

Dr. Mazel founded the Edgewater Hospital, 5700 N. Ashland Ave., at the outset of the Great Depression in 1929.

Back then, Edgewater Hospital was considered one of the country's leading hospitals, complete with a helicopter landing, one of the area's best burn-care facilities, and even a luxury swimming pool. Later it became a community embarrassment when two physicians took it over and ran a racketeering operation out of the hospital, while driving it into bankruptcy.

Back when the Mazals ran things one former orderly recalled how Mrs. Harriet Mazel-Szanto would wander through the halls, talking with patients. She functioned as chairman and CEO from 1980 to 1984. She later shed the CEO title, but remained on as chairman until 1988.

If she found a patient call light not being answered quickly enough, that staff worker would be fired immediately.

"The place was like a Navy ship," the onetime orderly recalled.

And it wasn't just Chicagoans who went out to Edgewater Hospital when they needed help, Ganz and Young reminded everyone during their recent talk sponsored by the Edgewater Library.

Even Frank Sinatra came in when he was in from wherever, Ganz noted.

Newsweek did a fantastic story in 1978, focusing especially on the Edgewater Hospital.

But things stated changing after Dr. Mazel died in 1980.

The management – and attitude – started changing overnight, Ganz noted. It all ended with its one time owner and manager, Peter Rogan, fleeing to Canada to avoid prosecution. Rogan was convicted in 2015 of lying about his assets to try to prevent paying $188 million in civil judgments against him.

Longtime doctors started leaving as an entirely different group of doctors started making their way in, coaxing destitute men living on the street to come in for "free medical treatment," which in many cases called for unnecessary surgery, even amputations.

The cost would then be passed on to the state and federal reimbursement. And the "patients" ultimately sent back out on the street. Then two people died from unnecessary heart operations and that's when the house of cards crumbled.

Rogan acquired Edgewater Medical Center in 1989 for $1 million cash and assumed its $10 million in liabilities. In 1994 Rogan sold it and the real estate to the Edgewater Property Company [EPC], which he also controlled.

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Rough Riders wanted

Those wrapped in false counter-culture of tedious self-adulation need not apply

By Thomas J. O'Gorman

Americans often look back on the strange opportunities we've had in our lives for trying to reconcile life's unevenness. Most of our lives were fashioned by remarkable people, men and women for whom we now have great affection. People we admired and clung to for making sense out of everyday things.

My own family were "blown-ins" to America. That's their history.

My mother's people, the O'Connors, arrived in Chicago around 1906, at the start of the new century. Teddy Roosevelt, one of America's most princely citizens, was its colorful cowpoke everyman of a President. That's his history. Colorful and popular. A real gentleman.

He was also a former "Rough Rider," as his band of wildcat soldiers were known. Used very effectively in Cuba during the Spanish-American War two decades before.

Roosevelt was an odd duck to most Americans. While they had confidence in his soft-spoken foreign negotiations, they delighted in his muscular, big-stick diplomacy.

But he also spoke with a very sharp and clipped Harvard accent in case no one knew he was an American aristocrat. A man filled with financial fortune, courage and reason in all he would do in life.

Unlike his poor brother, Elliott, future First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt's papa. A tragic alcoholic and troubled soul. Dead by 34. A life wasted and ruined. A horrid history despite all the inherited advantage he possessed.

Though Harvard would say he was academically more gifted than his brother Teddy, like most ruinous drinkers, he was a bright charmer. A winsome personality. That's his true history. Unfolding with painful and dire consequences.

That was the America my grandparents landed in as teenagers with meager savings in their pockets. Escaping the limited lives offered to the Irish by their English overlords. That was the truth of history they carried.

If you were pragmatic, able to seize life by the opportunities you could grab, theirs was an America that offered them the chance to advance. To learn from life and reach to succeed.

They escaped revolution in Ireland, and arrived before the German Kaiser went to war a decade later. They came with cousins and friends from their Irish village in Limerick and lied about their age. They lived close by their pals and relatives on the South Side.

They were religious, strict Roman Catholics. Meatless Fridays. Devoted to their parishes and responsibilities.

They embraced the remarkable life of faith practiced by American Catholics, and in the bright passion of their youth, they were hungry for love. Chicago's parishes offered the perfect chance to meet a sweet Irish colleen. They'd wed. Raise a big family. And vote in Chicago's exciting elections ward by ward.

History says the Irish came speaking the language of American power politics. English. Most of them could read it and turn the language into poetry with the lilt of their soft brogues.

They studied America and Americans and set aside the things they admired and could imitate.

Their lives quickly embraced the fairness of life in Chicago and the harmony of their unique neighborhood living. Very different from their rural Irish past.

My grandfather, Tim, and his brother, Jack, both wound up working for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. It was lucrative, filled with advancement and a fine place for them to be employed for all their lives.

In later times, their widows took delight in the railroad passes they were allowed that carried them to California and Florida during cold Chicago winters.

This was the process of assimilation. The pathway that led to the full citizenship of the immigrant here in Chicago. It enriched Chicago in the 20th century. Their sons donned the uniforms of the nation's military and returned to Europe to free it. Twice. Displaying a sense of loyalty and sacrifice in a stunning display.

America's history became their history. America's battles became their battles.

I bring all of their Chicago story up because I believe that people whose lives were so engaged in that process of assimilation, and their descendants, still have much to teach us.

They have a complexity of issues to absorb, now, in this century, dealing with the revisionism and rewriting of history in light of the straining disparity of woke culture. A philosophy which apparently speaks loudly to liberal academics and distraught minority pockets of sexually angry, racially agitated, urban nihilists who see the only solution to the complex problems of our times in the schizophrenia of altering the reality of history.

The bourgeois inanity of woke culture looms in the face of historical accuracy.

It insists that we sculpture the truth and reality of life to fit our make-believe understanding of life.

It obliges people to reach back into history with judgments that could not be formulated in past eras of scholarship or moral understanding.

It permits the seething unresolved emotionalism of shallow knowledge or incomplete understandings to have the final havoc of erroneous judgements on us in our time.

Failings, faults, bad-intentions, wrong understandings and lapses of moral correctness in the past are over scrutinized in the present. And manipulated by 'wokists.'

And the brooding dis-harmony that is hatched is permitted to ravage the souls of the well-intentioned. A storied bandwagon on which to jump.

Wokism is a modern philosophical falsehood that cannot restore any failings in the past and egregiously lacks the common truth of present experience in our own time.

No wonder it is the brainchild of sophist academics and self-serving thinkers. Half-baked notions of the poorly read.

The wokist regime is as broken and cruel as Stalin's persecution of his own Soviet people. Or the Maoist Chinese knack for liquidating the agrarian sower of crops who were starved to death for the sake of the revolution.

Don't kid yourself, woke culture is more insidious than the banishment of statues to Christopher Columbus. Though that seems a perfect symbol for the emptiness of any humanistic awareness of history.

Why are Italians so vilified now in our time? Why is it a crime to be white? Or male? Or straight?

Where are the values of the urban melting pot? Where are the true emotions to express urban disdain for the cyclops of vision that no longer can understand a common good?

Are they all back living with their parents, or camped out around their iPhone 12s trying to make the phone light a campfire of hope to light the way?

American culture must not permit the shabbiness of wokist regimes to maim or disfigure the human beauty that is our history in this nation in which we share a common good. Wrapped in the ethics of a moral reality. Not the deformity of academic bewilderment and a blackmailing false counter-culture of tedious self-adulation.

We apparently must still become our own rough riders to iron out the unevenness of life. But we need more than ever to make sense. Beyond our non-binary living or fluid states of mind. No matter how non-conforming we want to be. Or how postmodern and post-colonial we think we are.

SEAFOOD VANISHES: Truluck's great plans have come to an end on Rush St. at Chestnut. Across from the Archdiocese of Chicago at the southern end of Chicago's great restaurant row. Spectacular seafood. No rival for beauty in their two-story bar. They'd already jump-started the movement to restore Connors Park.

Now they announce after a short two months that they are shutting down everything. Many Gold Coasters feel sad. **Johnny Damas** is one of Chicago's best, so excited to be back in the 'hood running the operation. Now word is circulating that Truluck's Rosemont operation is scheduled to close too. It just doesn't stop.

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(L-R) Rob Zabrecky works his magic at the Rhapsody Theater. Lisa Carmichael draws stick figures of herself and her hubby Elvin, pictured at right creating his own masterpiece. Rogers Parkers Corin and Vida, a two-year-old Boston Terrier danced to the music at Chalk Howard Street.

Strange (and stupendous) magic at the Rhapsody Theater

"It's magic, it's magic, it's magic, strange magic."
— Electric Light Orchestra

Heart of the 'Hood
by Felicia Dechter

It's Thursday morning, and LA-based magician Rob Zabrecky hops on a plane from Los Angeles to Chicago, where that night, he performs his stellar one-man, part magic, part variety show, "The Zabrecky Hour," at the Rhapsody Theater, 1328 W. Morse Ave. in East Rogers Park.

Zabrecky then does a show on Friday night, and matinee and evening shows on Saturday before hopping back on an airplane Sunday morning to return home, where he is not only known as an astonishing magician, but also a well-respected actor and excellent musician.

A wickedly-enchanting entertainer, Zabrecky is a two-time Stage Musician of the Year award winner and it's clear as to why he received that honor. He's part magician, part storyteller, part trickster and more, and I found him to be amusing, astonishing and amazing, as well as a bit weird and a lot wonderful.

"I think I'd like people to know that anybody who's curious about seeing magic performed through a different lens will appreciate the storyteller, magic, variety show," said Zabrecky, who's staying on the Gold Coast while in town. "Magic is very limited in people's eyes---when you come see me you hear Yoko Ono music and think, 'This man is finding beauty in dark places.'"

He actually started his career as a musician, as frontman for Possum Dixon, an alternative rock, post-punk band that even released three albums. It was the late 1980s, and, "My crusade in life, my childhood dream was to be a musical entertainer and record records," said Zabrecky, who did a lot of touring, with Chicago being a big stop. "We played the Metro… I had some really amazing experiences here in my early 20s."

A life goal was getting together to play music, rather than college. And it was music that led him to magic.

Zabrecky was on tour with Possum Dixon, and it was a sweltering hot, summer day in Baltimore. He was looking for a spot that had air conditioning when he stumbled into a magic shop.

"That's where it all happened," recalled Zabrecky. "It was like walking into the Twilight Zone."

Since then, Zabrecky has had a career filled with the best of all worlds, magic, acting, and his main focus, storytelling.

At the Rhapsody Theater, you get "an hour of storytelling," said Zabrecky, whose wife, Tommi, works behind the scenes on his show and also writes "some of the best jokes by far" for him. "I find beauty in odd and dark places."

"We're each other's John and Yoko," Zabrecky said of him and Tommi. "I'm her puppet. If it was up to me, I'd be wandering around to John Cage music, randomly doing dog tricks."

Zabrecky does have a claim to fame that not many can compete with. Michael Jackson—yes, that Michael Jackson, had rented a Beverly Hills mansion (around the corner from our own Hugh Hefner's mansion) and was living there during his final days. Although Zabrecky is "not a children's performer at all," his producer friend knew he was an MJ fan.

It was a Saturday when Zabrecky got the last minute call to perform for Jackson's youngest son's birthday party. "I was in the car on my way over," recalled Zabrecky. "It was surreal -- a lightning-bolt moment.

"I did pieces from my act, they were giggling and applauding," said Zabrecky. "There were helicopters flying overhead. They all had blankets on their laps and in the middle of the show they had to pull the blankets over their heads."

Zabrecky had thought he would be performing at a large event for Jackson, "But the party was four guests," he recalled of Jackson and his three children. "It was an out of body experience. Like many people, I grew up watching Michael Jackson. I watched his transformation as an artist.

"I thought he was having a party for his kids," added Zabrecky. "It was in a strange mansion, in a state of disrepair. We went down by the pool, I danced -- they laughed at my dancing. It was a great experience… two to three months after, he died."

Fast forward to now. Hard to believe the same guy who performed for Michael Jackson and family is performing right here in East Rogers Park, at our spiffy new

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Rogers Park West Ridge Historical Society historic house walk Sept. 18

The four-block long Newgard Ave. in Rogers Park is sometimes called Chicago's shortest street. It will be the focus of the Rogers Park West Ridge Historical Society historic house walk noon to 4 p.m. on Sept. 18.

Tickets are $30, and proceeds from this event are used to support the ongoing educational and outreach activities of the Historical Society.

Once named Lincoln Ave., the short street runs through the Henry Newgard "farm" (called that even though he wasn't a farmer), where Newgard built one of the first homes in 1892.

The lush trees and large post-Victorian houses that line the streets of Newgard's original property have wide sweeping porches, beautiful interiors, and elaborate backyard spaces that make the six homes on the Rogers Park West Ridge Historical Society's 36th Annual House Walk a must see.

Guests may look inside, behind the graceful porches of these lovely homes, and meet the homeowners who have maintained and restored their hidden gems from the turn of the 20th Century while updating them to suit 21st Century living.

The self-guided tour covers two blocks of Newgard and Greenview avenues between North Shore and Pratt. The total walking distance between homes is less than a quarter of a mile. Tour check-in and parking will be available at Sullivan High School.

Appropriate COVID-19 precautions will be in place.

For more information and to register, visit https://rpwrhs.org/program/36th-annual-historic-house-walk-newgards-hidden-gems/.

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North Side real estate market on a wild ride

The Home Front

by Don DeBat

According to a Baird & Warner Aug., 2022 "Market Analysis for Chicago's North Side," home sales have declined for the past five consecutive months, when compared to 2021.

Who—but God Himself—could understand and interpret the post-COVID-19 real estate market on Chicago's North Side?

It is a wild roller-coaster ride marked by soaring interest rates, rising home prices and a great shortage of listings. What a weird world to navigate for the average would-be buyer and seller.

According to the Baird & Warner August, 2022 "Market Analysis for Chicago's North Side," home sales have declined for the past five consecutive months, when compared to 2021, because of the impact of COVID-19, rising home-loan interest rates, a declining stock market, high gas prices, and rampant crime.

"The record-setting home sales increases in 2021 have magnified the sales decreases of 2022," noted John Irwin, who developed Baird & Warner market analysis covering the neighborhoods of Lincoln Park, Near North Side, Lakeview and North Center.

Then, Baird & Warner managing broker David Bailey suggested that Irwin compare 2022 numbers with 2019, which was the last "normal" year before COVID.

"The results were interesting and put our current market in a different perspective," Irwin said. "The purpose of this exercise is not to try to 'put lipstick on a pig', but rather to compare what is happening in this unpredictable market to a more stable time."

Once 2021 numbers were tossed out, the following results emerged in the comparison of 2019 and 2022 North Side real estate activity from January through July:

• Home sales: Year-to-date 2022 existing home sales rose a whopping 33.9% over the same period in 2019.

• Home prices: Year-to-date 2022 home sales prices rose a solid 9.8% over the same period in 2019.

• Market time: Year-to-date average market time dropped 25.2% from 2019.

• Listing inventory: Year-to-date listing inventory levels are down 25% from 2019. While the existing home sales industry faces a number of challenges, Irwin said sinking inventory levels continue to be one of the major issues.

"It should be noted that while inventory levels are dropping compared to 2021, they are slowly rising when compared month-over-month in 2022," John Irwin said.

"It should be noted that while inventory levels are dropping compared to 2021, they are slowly rising when compared month-over-month in 2022," Irwin said.

In summation, Irwin noted: "A significant number of homes are being sold, prices are up and market times are down. As inventories rise, we should see some impressive results."

Here is a list of median pricing for homes sold in the month of July, 2022 in the four neighborhoods surveyed:

• Near North Side. Overall, resale home prices rose 1.5%. However, prices of homes and condominiums priced under $500,000 declined 2.1%.

• Lincoln Park. While overall resale dwelling prices declined 2.4%, homes priced from $500,000 to $1-million rose 0.3%.

• Lakeview. Resale home prices rose a solid 5.5%. However, resale prices of luxury homes priced from $1-million to $2-million declined 7.7%.

• North Center. Resale home prices rose a whopping 14.8% in July. However, the median price of luxury units priced at more than $2-million dropped 4.4%.

Home-loan rates jump to 5.5%

On Aug. 25, benchmark 30-year fixed home-loan interest rates rose to 5.55% from 5.13% a week earlier, reported Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey. A year ago, 30-year loans averaged 2.87%.

Fifteen-year fixed mortgages averaged 4.85% on Aug. 25, up from 4.55% a week earlier. A year ago, 15-year loans averaged 2.17%.

"The combination of higher mortgage rates and the slowdown in economic growth is weighing on the housing market," said Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's chief economist. "Home sales continue to decline, prices are moderating, and consumer confidence is low. But, amid waning demand, there are still potential home buyers on the sidelines waiting to jump back into the market."

The Freddie Mac survey is focused on conventional, conforming, fully amortizing home purchase loans for borrowers who put 20% down and have excellent credit.

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Demolition will create blockages on St. Clair St.

Residents of Streeterville will face increasing congestion this fall when Precision Excavation & Demolition [PED] begins demolishing the parking structure at 535 N. St. Clair St.

Demolition will begin in November, and work hours will be Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

PED will install a high bay pedestrian canopy on the north side of Grand, from St. Clair to a point 100-feet east thereof. Additionally, they plan to prohibit parking on the north side of Grand, from St. Clair to a point 100-feet east thereof.

Both the canopy and parking restrictions will be in-place throughout the project.

The sidewalk on the east side of St. Clair, from Grand to appoint 100-feet north thereof will be closed for the first week of the project. Construction fencing will be put in-place between the sidewalk and the site. They plan to demo the building from west to east. They will have dust mitigation in-place and bait for rodents before work begins. The entire demolition will take one month to complete.

LaSalle St. tie-ups expected during resurfacing

Traffic tie-ups are expect downtown now that the Chicago Dept. of Transportation has begun resurfacing N. LaSalle St., between W. Wacker Dr. and W. Lake St. The project is expected to be complete at the beginning of October.

Subcontractor for CTA's new $30.9 million K-9 security contract has "inoperative" state license

BY CWBCHICAGO

A company subcontracted to provide guards for the Chicago Transit Authority's recently announced $30.9 million private security initiative has an "inoperative" state security license because one of its key employees did not renew her state credentials in 2020, officials said.

CTA recently signed a contract with Action K-9 for "up to" 100 security guards and 50 canines per day to patrol train station turnstile areas, among other duties. (That's in addition to the $71 million contract that Chicago's transit agency gave to Monterrey Security in April.)

In turn, Action K-9 subcontracted with First American Security for some guard services, the Chicago Tribune reported.

That's over $100 million in new spending to provide security in a CTA system that many people on the North Side are already too frightened to use.

Teams from Action K-9 are to be "deployed near station turnstiles to deter fare evasion and increase the overall security presence at stations," according to CTA. "CTA has been developing new ways to target fare theft and prevent fare evasion before it leads to other illicit activities," the agency's statement said.

At $56,000 a day, the teams will have to stop more than 22,000 turnstile jumpers a day to pay for themselves.

The contract with Action K-9 is the CTA's latest attempt to lower the rate of violent crime, which has stayed high despite a number of plans and strategies announced by the CTA, the Chicago Police Dept., and Mayor Lori Lightfoot.

But if Cook County prosecutors refuse to charge or jail violent offenders, what good will K-9 security really do?

A spokesperson for the Illinois Dept. of Financial and Profession Regulation [IDFPR] said First American "cannot operate" currently because its designated "licensee-in-charge" did not renew her personal state license in Sept. 2020.

Anna Rakestraw, president and CEO of First American, is now in the process of reactivating her licensed private security contractor license. IDFPR's spokesperson confirmed it "has received Ms. Rakestraw's application to reinstate her license, which includes an application, $500 fee, and a [proof of insurance] form."

Contacted by phone on Monday, First American's vice president, Asberry "Tony" Rakestraw, said the company will have an active license before it puts "boots on the ground" for the CTA.

"CTA is quite comfortable," Rakestraw said. "CTA is aware of the licensing process and where it is."

"We are to stand down until such time as we get the green light," Rakestraw continued. He predicted a news story about the company's inoperative license status would "fall dead flat on its ass."

A CTA spokesperson said it is aware of First American's license status, and "we will continue to closely monitor the process and verify the necessary paperwork has been completed." The CTA has not set a start date for the canine patrols, the spokesperson said.

Asked if First American is operating as a security company while its license is in inoperative status, Rakestraw replied, "Are you serious?" and added, "We are a legitimate company."

If Cook County prosecutors refuse to charge or jail violent offenders, what good will K-9 security really do?

He said questions about how many guards the company employs, their training, and where the company might hire guards to serve on the CTA were "none of your business."

Rakestraw also suggested that our reporter end the call so Rakestraw wouldn't have to hang up on the reporter. The phone line disconnected when the reporter asked again about how many guards the company employs and its training processes.

IDFPR's records show that Asberry Rakestraw has a valid license to work as a private security contractor, but he is not First American's designated contractor.

Action K-9 did not respond to telephone and email inquiries for this story.

North Branch Trail extension heading to the suburbs, connecting to Niles

The long-held goal to connect the North Branch Trail to the suburbs may be closer to reality now that plans have been released for a new extension linking the Bunker Hill forest preserve to Touhy and Caldwell avenues in Niles.

The path will then further connect the trail in Niles to the more than 20-mile network of trails in the preserve. Construction will begin in the spring of 2023.

Before long bikers may start a journey in downtown Chicago and end it in a northern suburb.

The story, first covered by Nadig Newspapers, says that the trail will line an existing corridor cleared for a sewer line in 1957. Using that existing infrastructure may help save costs and prevent the clearing of some trees. The entrance to the trail will welcome hikers and bikers with signage, two stone markers, and various new flora.

"The Forest preserves and volunteers have done significant restoration work in the area near the trail along Harts Rd. and Caldwell Ave.," said Carl Vogel, director of communications for the Forest Preserves of Cook County. "This new connection will allow another easy access option for bikers and hikers to access the remarkable natural areas at Bunker Hill and the more than 20 miles of trails in the Forest Preserves' North Branch Trail system."

The project was originally proposed as a way to link the North Branch Trail with the "Touhy Triangle," an area bounded by Touhy, Caldwell and Lehigh avenues and Gross Point Rd.

Niles has been taking a long-term approach to developing the area. There is no planned unit development but officials are looking to redevelop several vacant parcels, including the Leaning Tower YMCA and the former Grainger building at 7300 N. Melvina Ave.

Expected to cost $499,000, one fifth of the project funds is being paid for with local taxes, while the remaining amount is federal tax funds provided through the Illinois Dept. of Transportation's Enhancement Program.

The town of Niles is expected to bring on a construction engineer to oversee the process. Additionally this fall, the bidding process will begin for potential contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, and other transit industry groups.

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Northwestern Memorial wrongly allowed Facebook's program to track patient information

Lawyers seek to expand action to potentially thousands of local victims

BY JONATHAN BILYK
Cook County Record

On Aug. 10, attorneys filed suit in Chicago federal court against Northwestern Memorial Hospital and Facebook for allegedly allowing Facebook to track patient information through Northwestern's patient scheduling portal.

A new class action lawsuit is asking a court to order Streeterville's Northwestern Memorial Hospital and corporations affiliated with Facebook to pay millions of dollars for allegedly allowing Facebook to track patient information through Northwestern's patient scheduling portal.

On Aug. 10, attorneys Nick Wooten, of Conway, Arkansas, together with DC Law, of Austin, Texas, and Rusty Payton, of Payton Legal Group, of Chicago, filed suit in Chicago federal court against Northwestern Memorial and the Facebook-related corporate entities. Those Facebook defendants included Meta Platforms Inc., Facebook Holdings LLC, Facebook Operations LLC and Instagram LLC.

The lawsuit was filed on behalf of plaintiff Michael Krackenberger, of Skokie.

However, the lawsuit seeks to expand the action to include potentially thousands or even tens of thousands of others who used Northwestern Memorial Hospital's patient portal to schedule medical appointments at Northwestern.

According to the lawsuit, Northwestern requires patients to create an account through its online portal and to use that portal to schedule appointments, interact with doctors and medical care providers, review medical records and request prescription drug refills.

According to the complaint, Krackenberger was among the patients who created an account with Northwestern, and used Northwestern's patient portal to schedule appointments and view "sensitive medical information related to his care and treatment."

However, the lawsuit alleges that "unbeknownst to" Krackenberger and the hospital's other patients, Northwestern allowed Facebook computer tracker code known as Meta Pixel to "surreptitiously" gather information about patients using the portal.

The complaint alleges the Facebook-related companies then used that information "for their own revenue generating purposes including targeting advertising to" the patients.

The complaint does not include allegations concerning how Northwestern may have allegedly benefited from the alleged use of Meta Pixel in its portal.

The plaintiffs acknowledged in the complaint that Northwestern disclosed to patients at the time they created their accounts that the portal used Meta Pixel and allowed Meta Pixel to collect information on portal users.

However, the lawsuit claims that is insufficient, and the use of Meta Pixel still amounts to a violation of the patients' privacy.

The lawsuit asserts Northwestern and the Facebook-affiliated defendants violated patient privacy rights under the Illinois Personal Information Protection Act, the Illinois Patient Rights Act, and federal wiretap and stored communications laws.

The plaintiffs said they are asking the court to award them more than $5 million for the alleged violation of those laws, plus punitive damages to "make them whole and properly punish" the hospital and the Facebook defendants for the alleged privacy violations.

The lawsuit seeks to expand the action to include a class of potentially many thousands of other Northwestern Memorial patients who used the portal in the past two years.

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(Top) The Thorndale Beach North Condominiums, the fictional home of Bob "Hartley" Newhart. (Bottom) Newhart cast Bill Daley, Marcia Wallace Peter Bonerz, Bob Newhart and Suzanne Pleshette.

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theater.

"The Rhapsody Theater is one of the funnest, coolest theaters I've ever worked in." He said. "The marquee, the curtain with the peacocks, the staff there is great."

"And working with Ricardo (Rosenkranz, theater owner) is a total pleasure," continued Zabrecky. "He understands every aspect, and collaborating with him has been a great experience."

"I've discovered Rogers Park," added Zabrecky. "For my show, the size of the theater and where it's located is perfect for me."

Chalk it up ... Back from a two-year COVID hiatus, last Saturday's Chalk Howard Street brought folks out from both sides of the avenue, Chicago and Evanston.

Everybody had fun, "even those who could not even draw a stick figure," said Lisa Carmichael, a former Greeley and LeMoyne elementary and Lake View High alum who drew just that -- cute stick people -- of herself and her husband, Elvin.

I strolled around with two of my grandchildren, Sydney and CJ, as the Haitian band Kreyol Roots played smooth easy music in the background and people created colorful chalk masterpieces and enjoyed delish munchies from neighborhood mainstays like Urban Tables and JB Alberto's.

It was an impressive neighborhood event and a splendid time appeared to be had by all.

Shop 'til you drop ... at A Just Harvest's Farm Stand, which recently opened and will feature veggies, herbs, cut flowers, houseplants and more from 2 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays through the end of October. Check them out outside of their "Hoophouse," just south of 7649 N. Paulina St. All plants and produce are grown locally using organic methods in the North of Howard community by Urban Agriculture apprentices.

Newhart news ... come toast our native son, comedian Bob Newhart, when the Edgewater Historical Society honors him with a commemorative historical marker that'll be unveiled at 11:30 a.m. Thursday at Colvin House, 5940 N. Sheridan Rd., which is kitty-corner from the Thorndale Beach North Condos, which was the fictional home of Bob and Emily Hartley in the popular, long-running TV sitcom, "The Bob Newhart Show." Hard to believe that show premiered 50 years ago this September! Newhart, who graduated from the nearby Loyola U., turns 93 on Sept. 5.

Here's wishing him a very happy birthday and our heartiest congratulations! And thanks, Bob, for all the laughs!

Germans in Chicago and America

100th German American Day festivities coming Sept. 9 to 11

BY PATRICK BUTLER

Germans began pouring into the U.S. before this country was even born.

In fact a prominent German helped Gen. George Washington lead the new nation to win the Revolutionary War against England. And today, the German-American community holds an annual march in his honor.

Baron Frederick Wilhelm von Steuben was introduced to Gen. George Washington by means of a letter from Ben Franklin as a "Lieutenant General in the King of Prussia's service." He was advanced travel funds and left Europe from Marseilles, France. On Sept. 26, 1777, he reached Portsmouth, New Hampshire and by Dec. 1, he was in Boston.

Congress was in York, PA, after being ousted from Philadelphia for the winter, and on Feb. 5, 1778, Steuben was with them. They accepted his offer to volunteer, without pay, and on Feb. 23, Steuben reported for duty to Gen. Washington at Valley Forge.

Steuben did not speak English, but his French was such that he could communicate with some of the officers. Washington's aide-de-camp, Alexander Hamilton, and Nathanael Greene assisted Steuben in drafting a training program for the soldiers which found approval with the Commander-in-Chief.

Steuben began with a "model company," a group of 100 chosen men and trained them himself… they in turn successively worked outward into each brigade. Steuben's eclectic personality greatly enhanced his mystique. He trained the soldiers, who at this point were generally lacking in proper clothing themselves, in full military dress uniform, swearing and yelling out orders to them in German and French.

His regulations for the order and discipline of the colonials became the army's standard drill manual, the Regulations for the Order and Discipline of U.S. Troops, which remained the official military manual until 1814.

At Yorktown his role was as commander of one of the three divisions of Washington's troops. You may recall learning in grade school how the Revolutionary War turned out…

Steuben became an American citizen by act of Pennsylvania legislature in March 1784 (and later by the New York legislature in July 1786). He was discharged from the military with honor on March 24, 1784.

In Chicago Steuben is memorialized by Von Steuben Metropolitan Science Center, 5039 N. Kimball Ave. The school has not always been known by that name. In fact, the facade of the building refers to the building as home to Von Steuben Senior High School. That was true from 1933 to 1982.

Von Steuben originally opened its doors at the corner of Kimball and Carmen avenues in the Albany Park community as a junior high school in Sept. 1930, with a capacity of 2,500 students. In Sept. 1933, it was designated as a senior high school with a portion of the building to be used as an elementary school.

According to some reports, there were enough Germans in the Colonies that a number of German-Americans were even suggesting that both English and German be the official languages.

The first Germans arrived in Chicago in the 1830s. Germans arrived here in large numbers as Chicago began to develop in the mid-19th century. Some 1,000 Germans were in Chicago in 1845. In 1848, the first large group of Germans immigrated due to failed revolts in German states. The peak of German immigration was 1890.

In 1900, there were 470,000 Chicago residents who had at least one parent born in Germany and/or who were born in Germany themselves. Those of German descent were the largest ethnic group of Chicago from 1850 until the turn of the century.

Generally opposed to slavery, Germans-Americans signed up in large numbers when President Lincoln called for volunteers to help put down the 1861 insurrection.

By the time the rebels were sent back south with their loss four years later, a number of German-Americans had distinguished themselves such as Maj. Gen. Carl

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Schurtz (remembered today with the high school here on the North Side), and Gen. George Armstrong Custer (original family name Kuster.)

Around the same time, a number of Germans a few years later got into anarchist-radical politics, organized the 1886 Haymarket Riot and fought its own war in 1885 after Chicago Mayor Levi Boone closed all beer beer gardens and saloons.

As the migration from Europe to the USA progressed, many German's headed west and stopped in Chicago to earn some money before moving on to claim a homestead. Those with skills in demand in the city could—and often did—stay.

In Chicago, Germans were found in many neighborhoods. The oldest, originally settled by people from Bavaria and Württemberg, was on the North Side.

A newer, working-class neighborhood, settled by immigrants from the East Elbian provinces, was situated on the Northwest Side, between Chicago and Fullerton avenues on both sides of the river, with North Ave. often referred to as the "German Broadway." Later North Center and Lincoln Square became strong German communities, while Lincoln Ave. was lined with dozens of German restaurants, retail stores, bars and social clubs.

Gymnastics and choir halls, beer gardens, and excursion sites were important parts of German American everyday culture. Whole families met in brightly lit and comfortable pubs, and on Sundays women and children joined the men on excursions to the beer gardens.

In 1850, Germans constituted one-sixth of Chicago's population. Until the turn of the century, people of German descent constituted the largest ethnic group in the city.

In 1900, 470,000 Chicagoans—one out of every four residents—had either been born in Germany or had a parent born there. By 1920 their numbers had dropped because of reduced emigration from Germany but also because it had become unpopular to acknowledge a German heritage, although 22% of Chicago's population still did so.

Toward the end of the19th century, the origin of Chicago's German population reflected the overall pattern of German emigration. Originating in the southwestern part of the territory in the 1830s, mass emigration had moved toward the middle areas by the 1850s and '60s and tapped the agrarian northeast with its large estates in the 1880s and '90s. Approximately 35% of Chicago's Germans came from the northeast, 25% from the southwest, 17% from the northwest, 11% from the west, and 12% from the southeast.

More familiar with German culture were those who had arrived in the great wave of German immigration in the 1880s. These young adults, less Americanized than the first two groups, reinvigorated the community's ties to German culture and formed the core of the turn-of-the-century ethnic community. Many established small businesses, often with an ethnic clientele. Raising their children in the ethnic community, these parents had spent their own youth in Germany and therefore might have been able to convey a sense of German "Heimat" (homeland culture) to these young Chicagoans.

Rebellion, of course, was nothing new to many of the Germans (and Irishmen for that matter) back at home. Many soon became involved in a number of labor parties shortly after their arrival here.

By then, German workers were meeting at beer gardens, picnics – anywhere they could – to push for better working conditions and decent pay.

Newspapers like the Illinois Statts-Zeutung, owned by former Cook County Sheriff A.C. Hessing, the Chicago Arbeiter-Zeutung, the Chicago Freie Presse, and the Abendpost each catered to its own audience.

Places like DANK Haus in Lincoln Square, and the Germania Club in Old Town became important meeting places. (Back in the early 1900s, the Kaiser's brother even paid a visit.)

Things changed, however, when the U.S. entered World War I after the sinking of the Lusitania. Many German organizations changed their names and grew more private.

The Germania Club became the Lincoln Club (later renamed back to the Germania) and even many pets with German-sounding names were given more "American" names.

It got to the point in many homes and restaurants where suddenly they were serving

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German events and programing… Von Steuben Parade Sept. 10

The United German American Societies of Greater Chicago, the parent organization for over 50 German-American organizations in Chicago, will be hosting the 56th Von Steuben Parade 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, on Lincoln Ave. from Irving Park to Western and Lawrence avenues in Lincoln Square.

Meanwhile the 101st Anniversary German American Festival will be held Sept. 9, 10 and 11 at Lincoln, Leland and Western avenues.

Additional local programming will be held later in September, first with the DANK Haus and Ravenswood Lake View Historical Assoc. who will be co-hosting a community open house at DANK, Thursday, Sept. 22.

At noon on Sunday, Sept. 25, the Ravenswood Lake View Historical Assoc. and Niedersachsen Club of Chicago, 4548 N. Lincoln Ave., will be hosting an open house and lecture by author Joseph C. Heinen, a German-American and longtime Lincoln Square resident, who holds a master's degree in history. He will be speaking on the history of German Clubs in Chicago. Tours of Lincoln Square will follow, provided by Maria Bappert.

Erich Himmel dead at 86

President of German Day Assoc. dies on cusp of 100th anniversary of German Day

Erich Himmel, president of the German Day Assoc., died Monday, Aug. 29, after a short hospital stay. He died on the cusp of 100th anniversary of German-American Day festivities, an annual event hosted in Lincoln Square that he was closely affiliated with.

He was president of the German Day Association since 1989.

"[Himmel] was one of the kindest and hardest working people I have ever had the pleasure of knowing and working with and he will be truly missed by everyone that has known him or worked with him," said Elfriede Peters, German Day secretary, in announcing his death.

"He was a gentle giant that will never be forgotten and the German Community will never be the same without him. He worked tirelessly every day to make sure that our German traditions and our German heritage remain alive."

Himmel is survived by his wife of 65 years, Inge Himmel, his two daughters Diana and Carol, his three grandchildren Erich, Michelle and Ashley, and his great grandchildren Parker and Hudson.

His wake will be held on Thursday and Friday, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Drake and Son, 5303 N. Western Ave.

Filler 'er up in Rogers Park means with burgers

New diner connected to Shell Station suddenly a hot spot

Burger Bites owner Edgar Bonilla has worked in the restaurant industry for half his life, and he recently started his own place in Rogers Park. Now his new place on Devon Ave. has been discovered, and he and his wife Bernice, and their two teenage children, are riding a wave of sudden popularity.

Image at right courtesy of Grubhub

There are notable restaurants located in gas stations across this car-forward nation. A good idea if done well, considering how much time Americans spend eating in and around their cars.

While road trippin' on I-80 though Iowa, who hasn't stopped at World's Largest Truck Stop in Walcott? The massive space is home to a barber shop, a chiropractor, a movie theatre, a workout room, a laundry facility, a dentist office, and lots of food options, including the Iowa 80 Kitchen. It may be one of the best gas station restaurants nationwide.

Then there's others too, like El Carajo located in a Miami BP station; Seoul Food in Silver Springs, MD; Doolittle, MO, has Cookin' From Scratch; Watauga, TX, is known for Chef Point Cafe adjacent to the pumps; California has Whoa Nellie Deli in a Mobile station near Yosemite; Kansas City has Joe's Kansas City Bar-B-Que, … and now Rogers Park and Edgewater have one of note too, Burger Bites, 1500 W. Devon Ave.

The new dining dynamo is located adjacent to a busy Shell gas station and fans new and old are heading there from all over the city for a fill up on both regular gas, and high octaine classic meat and veggie burgers, sandwiches, and hot dogs.

Typically, gas station food consists of chips, pretzels, candy bars, pre-packaged sandwiches, roller-top hot dogs and taquitos, jerky, and microwaved items. But not at Burger Bites. The small diner-style restaurant is attached to the gas station but has its own entrance, defining its rightful place on busy Devon Ave., known across the region as an ethnic foodie destination.

Burger Bites owner and North Sider, Edgar Bonilla, has worked in the restaurant industry for half his life. He spent 10 years working at neighborhood eateries, including at the nearby Cozy Corner mere steps away at Devon and Clark St.

He came to recognize that he didn't want to be server for his entire life, "I want to own something," Bonilla told Block Club. "I want a better life."

"One time, I look inside and see [this space] was empty." He thought, "Maybe this could be a good spot because there's a lot of traffic here."

The idea for Burger Bite was first hatched when Edgar Bonilla drove down Route 66 about five years ago, admiring the old school diners along the way.

But the idea for Burger Bite was first hatched when Bonilla drove down Route 66 about five years ago, admiring the old school diners along the way. Bonilla decided he'd like to give it a try too, and in May that plan - that dream - finally came true. Now he and his wife Bernice and two teenage kids are riding a wave of sudden popularity. Their business is doing well. "We haven't had a bad review yet. Every week is getting better and better," he said.

And that feedback is lighting up social media with foodies always on the hunt for the next neighborhood treasure.

Burger Bites now gets unanimously positive reviews across the board, with local residents and out-of-towners chiming in to voice their feedback on the fantastic burgers, prime fries, and delicious shakes. The Cowboy Burger, which is served with mild cheddar cheese, bacon, an onion ring, and BBQ sauce, seems to be particularly popular. They also do bacon and cheese topped hotdogs and the classic Chicago style dog as well.

So next time you want to do Devon Ave., pass on the Indian, Pakistani and Tibetan faire, and get a fresh made burger… and fill up your belly and your car's gas tank with much needed fuel at one stop.

Burger Bite is open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Saturday and noon to 9 p.m. on Sundays.

U.S. Rep Mike Quigley to speak at AARP

U.S. Rep Mike Quigley will be the guest speaker at North Side AARP 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 6, at Lake View Presbyterian Church, 716 W. Addison St.

Participants are welcome to join the meeting in person, and the presentation will also be available virtually on Zoom. To register to join the Zoom meeting, email northsideaarpcommunitygroup@gmail.com.

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"Liberty Cabbage" and "French Toast."

And it got even worse in the Second World War when people changed their names if they sounded even slightly Germanic.

Many of those with German names were among the busiest selling War Bonds, and a German guy from Kansas named Eisenhower was was busy at work in Europe managing the allied effort in WWII.

Given their numbers and heterogeneity, Chicago's Germans never assembled an ethnic constituency behind one ethnic cultural broker promoting group interests. Rather, German men participated in 19th-century Chicago politics on all levels, in all parties, representing a diverse electorate.

During the 1840s to '60s Germans were well represented as aldermen and public office seekers. Michael Diversey, a popular brewery owner, was a generous supporter of St. Michael's Catho-

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Police Beat...

Man stabbed to death in the middle of busy River North intersection

A man was stabbed to death Aug. 23 during an altercation in the middle of a bustling River North intersection, according to Chicago police and witnesses. The victim "sustained a laceration to the neck after a physical altercation with an unknown offender," according to a brief CPD media statement.

Witnesses said the man was seen arguing with up to four other men at Dearborn and Ohio streets when the offender stabbed him in the neck around 7 p.m. The victim, Jeremy Walker, 36, returned to his nearby car and drove to the 600 block of N. Michigan Avenue, where he sought help from Chicago police officers. He was taken to Northwestern Memorial Hospital and succumbed to his injuries at 7:25 p.m.

Meanwhile, the attacker and the rest of his group entered another car and fled the scene.

This is the eighth murder on Chicago's Near North Side this year. According to city records, the area had four victims at this point last year, nine as of this date in 2020, and two for the entire year of 2019.

River North, which is part of the Near North Side, has seen three murders this year. It had one case in all of last year, four in 2020, and two during 2019.

Man charged with kidnapping 9-year-old girl from North Side grocery store

Terran McKethan, 20, was held without bail by Judge Susana Ortiz on charges of aggravated kidnapping of a child and predatory indecent solicitation.

Terran McKethan

On Aug. 14, a 13-year-old girl and her mother were walking home near the 6600 block of N. Damen when McKethan asked them for a hug, which they declined, and then continued to follow them until they went into their house, prosecutor Danny Hanichak said. At one point, McKethan allegedly invited the girl and her mother to come to his nearby home for drinks and a threesome.

McKethan saw the girl, her sister, and her mother in the neighborhood again. McKethan allegedly followed them again, offered them water, and tried to open the door to their home after they went inside.

The mother dialed 911, but McKethan was already gone when the police arrived.

Two days later, McKethan snatched a 9-year-old girl while the child's grandmother retrieved a shopping cart outside Cermak Finer Foods, 6623 N. Damen, Hanichak said. The girl tried to get away by screaming and kicking her legs as the grandmother yelled for McKethan to let her go.

He eventually released the child after she bit him on the hand at the base of his thumb. Store surveillance cameras captured the whole incident.

Later that day, Chicago police issued a community bulletin with images of the suspect. According to a source, someone who lives directly across the street from the grocery store on Damen called police that evening to report that the kidnapper lived in his building.

Detectives who interviewed McKethan noticed that he had an injury at the base of his thumb near the place the 9-year-old said she bit the kidnapper, according to Hanichak.

McKethan graduated from high school last year and has been working at a Jewel-Osco store for about a year, according to his public defender. He has mental health conditions that require treatment, she said.

Two women critically injured in West Rogers Park shooting

Two women were fighting for their lives Thursday night after someone shot them as they sat in a car in West Rogers Park, according to Chicago police.

Officers responded to shots fired calls in the 6400 block of N. Bell around 10 p.m. and found the women inside a car near an alley. One victim, a 29-year-old woman, suffered gunshot wounds to her arms and neck. The other woman, whose age was unknown, had a gunshot wound to the forehead.

The victims were taken to St. Francis Hospital in Evanston. Both were said to be in very critical condition.

About a half-dozen shell casings were found lying behind the car. Police released no information about the gunman or the shooter's motive.

Man gets 6 years for kidnapping transgender woman in Boystown; prosecutors drop more serious charges

Two weeks after Rosha Banks was released from prison in 2019, prosecutors accused him of restraining and sexually assaulting a transgender woman in a Boystown gangway. Last month, according to court records, he reached a plea deal with prosecutors that resulted in a six-year prison sentence on a reduced charge.

Rosha Banks

After receiving the state's standard 50% sentence reduction and credit for the time he spent in jail before going to prison, Banks walked out of the Stateville Correctional Center on July 19, three days after he arrived.

On the afternoon of July 15, 2019, Banks choked the 24-year-old woman and forced her to perform sex acts in the 3600 block of N. Halsted, prosecutors said at the time.

After the attack, while "pushing her from one place to another against her will" in the neighborhood, Banks threatened to kill the woman if she left, charging documents said. She told police she escaped after Banks boarded a Red Line CTA train at Addison after midnight the next day.

Police arrested Banks two days later after he allegedly hid inside a business' bathroom stall with a knife in the 3600 block of N. Halsted. He had been released from prison two weeks earlier after serving half of a three-year robbery sentence.

A grand jury returned more than 20 counts against Banks, including kidnapping and sexual assault, according to court records. But, in the end, he reached a deal with prosecutors: Banks pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of Class 2 kidnapping, which was reduced from Class X aggravated kidnapping causing bodily harm, and prosecutors dropped the remaining counts.

Banks had been in custody since the day he was arrested, accumulating over 1,000 days of credit toward the six-year sentence imposed by Judge Domenica Stephenson. He will be on parole until next July.

Rogers Park murder was robbery among 'friends' that 'went sideways'

A man who was murdered in Rogers Park this spring was targeted by three of his own friends, including one who was accidentally hit by bullets intended for him, prosecutors said Aug. 24. The gunman and one accomplice remain at large, but murder and robbery charges were filed today against the third man, 20-year-old Isaiah Cardona.

Isaiah Cardona

Cardona was shot three times during the incident, which left Julberto Hernandez, 19, dead in the 7400 block of N. Wolcott shortly after midnight on May 3. Hernandez suffered 18 gunshot wounds, including two to his head, four to his chest, and six in his back, officials said.

When police first responded to the scene, they found Hernandez slumped over in the driver's seat of his car. However, Cardona emerged from a nearby gangway a short time later with gunshot wounds to his arm and leg and a grazing wound to his torso.

According to Assistant State's Attorney Danny Hanichak, Cardona initially told police that he didn't know Hernandez and that he was shot while attempting to break up a fight between Hernandez and a stranger.

As Cardona sat in a grassy area, police noticed that a wallet and phone had appeared next to him in the grass—a spot that was clear before he sat down, according to Hanichak. The phone and wallet belonged to Hernandez.

Investigators found CHA surveillance video that contradicted Cardona's story, Hanichak said.

The footage showed Hernandez, Cardona, and two others hanging out in the area, going for a ride in Hernandez's car, and then returning. Hanichak explained that after getting out of the vehicle, the offender who would eventually shoot Hernandez began fighting with Hernandez. Cardona was seen chasing Hernandez, who had literally run out of his shoes.

As Cardona chased Hernandez back toward the car, the man who had been fighting Hernandez put on a black mask and began shooting, hitting both Cardona and Hernandez.

Two detained, one car impounded after 'sideshows'

Chicago police detained two people and impounded one vehicle during car "sideshows" that shut down major intersections in the Loop and Near South Side on Aug. 27. The incidents will also provide early tests of a month-old ordinance that allows the city to seek impoundment of vehicles that are involved in the tire-squealing, smoke-spewing events.

The first sideshow closed down the intersection of 25th St. and Martin Luther King Dr. around 1:45 a.m. A large group of cars clogged the streets as people watched drivers spinning donuts in a laser-lit, mortar-adorned spectacle.

After police arrived, Snapchat users captured footage of the area as spectators returned to their cars around 2 a.m.

Chicago police detained two men at the King Dr. incident: Jose Castillo, 18, is charged with misdemeanor reckless conduct, and Juan Venegas, 18, was cited for possessing a pellet gun, disorderly conduct, and a litany of traffic violations, according to a CPD spokesperson. Both men live in Chicago.

Police also impounded Venegas' car, the spokesperson said.

About 45 minutes later, another sideshow popped up at Wacker and Columbus drives in the Loop. Footage of cars spinning and sliding through the intersection spread widely on social media.

Police made note of license plate numbers on cars at both sideshows for possible enforcement action.

An ordinance passed last month gives the city authority to impound vehicles that "drift" and drag race, even if cops aren't present at the time, according to the law's sponsor, Ald. Brendan Reilly [42nd. Reilly represents a large part of downtown, including the area around last night's Wacker Dr. sideshow.

Reilly's ordinance allows the city to mail a "notice of intent to impound" a vehicle with evidence to support the action. There is also a process for car owners to contest the impoundment effort.

Reilly's ordinance won approval after drivers did donuts in the middle of a West Loop intersection for more than 30 minutes on July 17.

Police say burglary pattern is growing in Lincoln Park and Old Town

For the second time this month, Chicago police are warning the public about a rising burglary trend in Old Town and Lincoln Park.

The prowler enters apartments through unlocked doors or side windows, takes property, then escapes on foot, said the community alert, issued Aug. 26 by Area Three Detectives. That's the same description detectives gave in a warning they issued for the neighborhood on Aug. 11.

All of the break-ins occurred during the morning hours. Incidents were reported in the 1300 block of N. Cleveland on August 4, Aug. 5, and Aug. 21; the 2200 block of N. Bissel on Aug. 5; the 2200 block of N. Fremont on Aug. 6; the 1800 block of N. Halsted on Aug. 10; the 2000 block of N. Burling on Aug. 20; the 2100 block of N. Halsted on Aug. 21, and the 1800 block of N. Cleveland on Aug. 21 and 22.

CPD said the suspect is a Black male between 20- and 30-years-old. They recommended that residents keep doors and windows secure and have broken doors, windows, and locks repaired.

Call Area Three detectives at 312-744-8263 if you have any information about the crimes.

CPD brass continue to mislead on days off, while city has lost 24% of its district patrol officers

In late May, Chicago Police Supt. David Brown publicly denied that some of the city's police officers were being ordered to work 11 days in a row, when CPD's own scheduling records to show that cops really were being ordered to work that long without a break.

Now, the Chicago Office of the Inspector General has confirmed this fact. In a new publication, the IG found that more than 1,000 cops had been ordered to work 11 or more consecutive days during April and May alone. That's due to the CPD's recurring cancellation of days off.

On Aug. 29, Brown again wrongfully claimed that "five or six" police officers had worked more than 10 straight days. But that's not what the IG report said. In fact, city inspectors said they couldn't tell how many of the 1,000-plus officers worked 11 or more days in a row because the CPD's record-keeping is a mess. The five specific examples they listed in their report were just that—examples.

But Brown wasn't done making false claims on Monday. After wrongly summarizing the IG's report, he claimed that the CPD is not canceling days off for officers who are scheduled to be off on Labor Day.

Yet, CPD's latest "Weekend Cancellation Matrix" shows that the department is canceling Labor Day days off for cops in three units who would not normally be working.

A previous version of the cancellation matrix, which showed canceled weekends for officers through Jan. 2, indicated that the department planned to cancel some officers' days off on Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, and New Year's Day.

We contacted a CPD spokesperson to confirm the department's holiday cancellation plans on Friday and again on Monday. He did not respond.

Understaffed

After a driver killed three men and injured a fourth earlier this month, it took Chicago police more than 20 minutes to arrive on scene, according to CPD dispatch records.

CPD declined to comment on its response time "due to the ongoing investigation."

But we've learned that understaffing, especially on overnights, is a serious problem in the Grand Crossing 3rd District. Recent schedules provided to this reporter show that Grand Crossing has been dangerously understaffed on overnight shifts.

On July 23, only six of the district's 12 beat cars were operating overnight and one of those was operated by a cop who was working solo. Another one was staffed by a newly-hired probationary officer and their field training officer. Only one sergeant was on duty for the entire district.

Other schedules since then show only seven or eight beat cars are typically operating and only one sergeant is usually in the field each night.

Grand Crossing ranks fourth out of CPD's 22 districts for shootings and murders year-to-date, according to Heyjackass.com, which independently tracks Chicago crime statistics.

Since Brown took over as CPD's superintendent in April 2020, the Grand Crossing district has lost 25% of its cops, dropping from 372 officers to just 279, according to the Office of Inspector General.

Grand Crossing is not alone. Under Brown's leadership, the average CPD district has lost 23% of its officers. And the biggest losses have been in two districts that patrol Chicago's most violent neighborhoods.

The Englewood 7th District has lost 30% of its cops since Brown came to town, according to the IG. So has the Harrison 11th District.

Most other parts of town aren't faring well, either. The Near North 18th District covers areas like River North Streeterville, Old Town, and much of Lincoln Park. It has lost 29% of its cops under Brown. The Central 1st District, which includes the Loop and South Loop, is down 27%.

Man shot in Rogers Park

Police are trying to drum up leads after a man was shot in the parking lot of a Roger Park fast food restaurant Aug. 28. So far, they don't have much to go on.

The 47-year-old victim was in the parking lot of Popeye's, 1959 W. Howard, when he heard gunfire around 1:30 a.m., according to police.

Investigators found one shell casing in the parking lot, but they had no information about the gunman.

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Man gets 26½ years for murdering Macksantino Webb inside Howard CTA station

Keith Gross (inset) and Macksantino Webb.
Images courtesy Illinois Dept. of Corrections; Gun Violence Memorial

BY CWBCHICAGO

As a kid, Macksantino Webb's family moved him from Englewood to Rogers Park so he would be away from the rampant violence on Chicago's South Side. This month, a judge sentenced a man to more than 26 years in prison for murdering him inside the Howard CTA Red Line station.

Six years ago, on August 27, 2016, the Sun-Times profiled Webb and told the story of his family's decision to get him out of harm's way.

The headline read: Aim for 3 South Side teenagers: 'Just trying to survive a summer'

"My great-nephews started coming [to the North Side] about five years ago," Rev. Zollie Webb of Evanston's Friendship Baptist Church said in the profile.

Suffering a little homesickness, Macksantino and his cousin, Ernest, went back to Englewood one weekend and had a harrowing experience.

"Somebody just got to shooting out of nowhere… We're taking cover under some bricks," Macksantio told the paper. "Police came, like, 10 seconds later. Ernest had been shot in the head."

More than three years later, just after noon on Dec. 3, 2019, Webb was murdered inside the Howard Red Line CTA station.

Prosecutors said Webb was with his girlfriend when he saw a group of men he recognized, including Keith Gross, now 33. The group surrounded Webb, who tried to run away. Gross shot him twice in the back as he did.

Webb made it up to the platform, then collapsed.

CTA surveillance cameras recorded the murder and also showed Gross running away with a gun, according to prosecutors. He allegedly told investigators that he bought the gun four days before the murder from a "Mexican dude" and then threw it into a sewer in Evanston after the slaying.

"I'm really sick and tired of having to bury young people too soon," Rev. Webb said after the murder. "This is not the first nephew I've lost via gun violence. I'm just simply tired."

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Gross was on parole after serving half of a 14-year home invasion sentence at the time. He was also charged with murder in 2010 but was only convicted of a gun violation. He received a two-year sentence.

On Aug. 11, Gross pleaded guilty to murder. Judge Ursula Walowski sentenced him to 26½ years. He is scheduled to be released on May 18, 2046.

Two public events on drug overdoses

The fentanyl overdose problems is getting worse in Chicago as more and more illegal drugs are being smuggled over the unsecured southern border, and as the deadly drug is being mixed into more things.

There are two upcoming overdose awareness events coming up. The first is hosted by Trilogy, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., today, Aug. 31, outside of their office in Rogers Park, 1400 W. Greenleaf. Trilogy staff will be available to distribute Narcan, fentanyl test strips, vein care flyers, and provide trainings on these materials.

Then from 6 to 7 p.m. they will host a virtual presentation on overdose prevention and treatment resources, and take questions from family and friends with loved ones struggling with opioid and other substance use. Sign up at https://bit.ly/trilogyodawareness.

The second event will be offered by Lutheran Social Services of Illinois [LSSI], 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9, at 5517 N. Kenmore Ave.

LSSI and other community health partners will hold an open house and resource fair where guests can be screened, learn how to use Narcan, learn about harm reduction with educational sessions on Methadone, Hepatitis C testing, HIV and STI tests.

Man robbed, tried to sexually assault woman after forcing his way into her Loop hotel room

BY CWBCHICAGO

Around 11 a.m. on Aug. 24, Keyshawn Bunch knocked on the 32-year-old woman's door at the Congress Plaza Hotel, 520 S. Michigan, and pretended to be a housekeeper. He was actually there to rob her.

An Uptown man allegedly forced his way into a stranger's downtown Chicago hotel room Aug. 24, robbed her, and tried to sexually assault her while holding a gun to her head, prosecutors said Friday.

"That's some bullsh*t, yo," Keshawn Bunch yelled when Judge Susana Ortiz told him that he would be held without bail.

Around 11 a.m., Bunch knocked on the 32-year-old victim's door at the Congress Plaza Hotel, 520 S. Michigan, and pretended to be a housekeeping worker, according to prosecutor Danny Hanichak.

The woman opened her door and found Bunch pointing a pistol at her, although police would later discover that it was a BB gun, according to Hanichak.

Once inside the room, he allegedly took the woman's phone and about $1,000 cash, then ordered her to give up her phone PIN and demanded to know if she had CashApp so he could try to transfer her money.

Bunch asked the woman if she wanted to die while continuing to demand the passcode as she hurriedly called the hotel operator for help on the room phone. The hotel operator notified security after hearing a man demanding passcodes and other commotion on the phone line.

Before security arrived, Bunch tried to get the woman to remove her clothing, but she refused. He then lowered his pants to expose himself and pushed her head down, ordering her to perform a sex act at gunpoint, Hanichak alleged.

But the woman told Bunch her boyfriend would be back soon and that help was on the way, so he should leave. With that, Bunch allegedly pulled up his pants and left the room just as security guards arrived.

The victim yelled out to the guards that Bunch had attacked her, and they detained him in the hallway. Hanichak said the woman's phone and the BB gun fell to the ground as they caught him. Chicago police allegedly found nearly $1,400 in Bunch's possession.

Prosecutors charged Bunch with attempted aggravated criminal sexual assault, home invasion, and two counts of robbery.

He has been on bail since late July when he was charged with identity theft and illegally possessing more than three credit or debit cards.

In that case, two Uptown men were awakened early on July 27 after getting fraud alerts from their banks. They found that their wallets and car had been stolen from their home. They tracked the alerts and saw Bunch discard a receipt bearing one of their names and credit card numbers at a McDonald's in Uptown, prosecutors said. The men called the police, who arrested Bunch after allegedly using one of the stolen credit cards at a nearby grocery store.

Prosecutors said that Bunch had six of the victims' credit cards in his possession. He told investigators that he found a wallet in the grass.

Court records show that he went home with a curfew from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. after putting up a $300 bail deposit.

On Friday, Hanichak said Bunch was convicted of felony criminal damage and felony possession of a stolen motor vehicle in 2020. As a juvenile, Bunch was adjudicated delinquent for carjacking and battery in 2017 and carjacking, robbery, and battery in 2016, according to Hanichak.

His public defender on Friday said he attends church regularly, is "engaged in community activism," works for a modeling agency, and has mental health concerns.

Steve Dahl

Cardinal Blase Cupich

Dr. Joaquin and Jennifer Brieva.

Sister Jean Schmidt, BVM

WANTED *from p. 2*

Robert McElroy, a new American Cardinal. A stealth figure in the church, Chicago's archbishop operates with enormous personal power and closely assists **Pope Francis** globally maneuver safely the pockets of super conservatives who fear his meddling and deep changes in church policies and structures is upsetting to many. Cupich is indispensable in the Pope's moves for healthy change. Much talk that Cupich might wind up permanently in Rome as the Pope ages. That's no long shot.

A REAL CHAMP: Congratulations to **Neal Robin** for winning Bryn Mawr Country Club Class A club championship.

FINAL ACT: James "Jay" F. MacIntosh V died recently in Chicago. From the Lyric Opera to the comedy of Second City his thumb was in many pies. But his hand was with his heart.

Jay began a theater career after college becoming a treasured member of the Seattle Repertory Theater and the Seattle Opera. But he came home to Chicago to make his mark. He later managed Second City's Skybox and de Mast Theaters. But he was also a classical baker and host of meals of memory leaving deep footprints on the hearts of friends and in the improvisation a life.

KIDNEY TRANSPLANT: Jennifer Sutton Brieva says it's a go for her husband Northwestern's **Dr. Joaquin Brieva's** kidney transplant on Sept. 1. All Chicago is praying for this outstanding man, finally, with relief in sight. God bless.

LOYOLA U MILESTONE: Congratulations to **Sister Jean Schmidt**, a religious sister at the BVM's Sheridan Rd. Convent, long the treasured chaplain and pastor to young Loyola U men whose love of basketball is only outdone by their capacity to achieve in college. Sister Jean has become their prayer partner and voice of reason. Not bad for a nun who just turned 103. The CTA's Red Line Plaza has just been renamed in her honor.

WHO'S WHERE: Sherry Lea Fox in a banquette at Ralph Lauren Restaurant in NYC… wonderful **John Buchbinder** getting summer vittles on a rooftop at Wrigley with **Jim Kinney** and **Brian White** along with **James Staples**… **Cathy Bell Bartholomay** and **Myra Reilly** at the Onwentsia Club in Lake Forest on a breathtaking summer's day… Gibson's own **Johnny Colletti** dining with pals at Erie Care… **Ron Lenzi**, owner of Erie Cafe at a table of family and friends… Illinois Appellate Court Justice **Maureen Connors** and husband, **Michael Barton** entertaining grandson **Ryan Rosenberg** before he heads off to college with steak Erie Cafe style… while also at Erie Cafe Irish Fellowship Club's **Kathy Taylor**, **Rose O'Neill** and **Cynthia Olson** before Cynthia heads off for Turkey and the Bosphorus… **Margaret Houlihan Smith**, former Chicago aviation tsar, thrilled that son, **Jack Smith**, is now a St. Ignatius College Prep lad… **Hector Gustavo Cardenas** on duty for the weekend as best gunkle-godfather… the **Paddor Twins**, **Ricky** and **Bobby** at Saranello's in Wheeling for Niles West High School 50th Reunion… **Eamonn Cummins** and **Pennie Taylor** at Red Hot Chili Peppers at Soldier Field… **Michael Fustin** lunching with his sister, **Vicki**, at Fisherman Restaurant & Bar in San Clemente, CA… **Todd S. Davis** is looking good as new following his leg injury… Marchesa's **Nikki Friar** at Nikki Beach… fantastic Chicago chef **Bill Kim** of Urban Belly went kitchen rogue 14 years ago changing food in Chi-town forever… **Peter Q. Thompson** at Georgetown Univ. where his son, **Billy Thompson**, is now an official freshman Hoya, the great Mayor **Richard J. Daley** would be proud of his great grandson… attorney **Thomas Murphy** was at Pabellon at the Jay Pritzker Pavillion… **Rosemary Fanti** shares that her husband, **Richard Koranda's**, son **Nathan** is turning 41 and is hard at work in Arusha, Tanzania, and completing his Doctor of Nursing Program at the U of Minnesota… best wishes to the great radioman **Steve Dahl** recovering from knee replacement… **Heather Farley** at Rick's Cafe Boatyard in Indianapolis… **Phil Ponce** the younger shooting a WGN Morning News promo at the Redhead Piano Bar and doing smooth job, **Lyn McKeaney** should bring him back for real… **Contessa Bottega** and **Petros** hosting an elegant family farewell dinner in Athens… Maestro **Rich** and **Kathy Daniels** bicycling the lakefront finding summer music in the air… **Shelley Howard** at Tavern with the most entertaining table on Rush St. with **Stephen "Too Tall"** and **Keith Palmer** and the Chicago crowds that pass by all night… **Sean Eshaghy** has arrived in West Hollywood and is up to what?… the **Toms**, **McGuire** and **Hackett**, up and out Saturday-early… **Doug Van Tress** on his way to Croatia and a week sailing off its luxurious coast out of Dubrovnik… **Dr. Sandy Goldberg** speaking at Galena Girls Golf Outing and accepting their $20K donation to ASLF… the **Dal Santo Dombrowskis** and the **Dal Santo Ryans** set sail for Alaska where their yacht takes them well into the glaciers… Bravo young **Prince Filipio Doria Pamphilj**, now a student at Uppingham School, who just turned 15… **Thad** and **Emily Wong** cheer on the Cubs with daughter **Ella Wong**, on her way back to the American Univ. in DC, and Cub reliever son, **Palmer**… far from the 14th Ward, Floridian **Eddy Burke Jr.** just celebrated a birthday with fab wife, **Jackie Burke**… **Eileen Harmon Junkins** thrilled to see son, **Marty Junkins**, off to sophomore year at St. Ignatius College Prep, but not as proud as grandpa and grandma **Harmon**.

Chef Bill Kim

DANCE & DANCE: Barb Bailey performed with **Bobby Schiff** and **Brian Patti** on Aug. 11 to great reviews. She will be singing next on Sept. 11 with the APOL Chicago Big Band 13-piece orchestra led by Brian Patti at the Elmhurst Ballroom, 119 N. York Rd. from 1 to 4 p.m., $20 at the door, dance, dance, dance. Barb lights up the stage.

ALL FOR ART: From inadequate stoplights on busy roads to the beauty of Chicago's artistic enterprise, a Vassar girl who was a Northwestern grad, **Sandra Kenoe Crown** was always many steps ahead of the crowd. You could see that wherever the longterm Winnetka resident went. Whether that was Ravinia where she delighted in the festival and was a life trustee; or the Art Institute of Chicago where she was chairman emeritus of the Sustaining Fellows Program Committee; or a Governing Life Member; or as a member of its Antiquarian Society, she had her hand on the pulse of Chicago art. From the Shedd Aquarium Oceanarium to the Field Museum Women's Board, to Northwestern University's Women's Board she extended savvy leadership and dynamic loyalty.

But most of all it was family that held her heart. The center of a meaningful life. What wise wonder she worked with her intellect and elegance. There was no one like her. She died recently at 93, with few successors waiting in the wings.

OBAMA MEMORIAL: Word is that funds have gotten scarce for the Obama Presidential Library in Jackson Park on the South Side and some belts might need tightening. But that hasn't stopped **Valerie Jarrett** from taking her $592,905.00 salary as CEO of the Obama Foundation. There was a $20 million dip in 2021 in what was anticipated for the library. People are just asking. Ex-presidents quickly lose their popularity with the donor class. Look out, they may come-a-calling for taxpayer bailout for the $1.4 billion temple in Jackson Park.

SERVICE CLUB: Hosting a Night at the Opera, a **Marx Brothers** classic at the historic Des Plaines Theater, Tuesday, Sept. 20, 6-9 p.m., 1476 Miner St., Des Plaines, featuring renowned Italian Tenor **Alberto Profeta**. Hors d'oeuvres will be plentiful. Wine and Champagne will be flowing.

"In 1492 Columbus sailed the ocean blue." — *so said every grade schooler ever.*

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HOSPITAL *from p. 1*

In the deal Edgewater Medical Center paid an exorbitant monthly rent to EPC. At the helm of both entities Rogan funneled profits directly into his own pockets.

Corruption rooted itself deeply into Edgewater's staff. Rogan orchestrated a complex system of kickbacks for doctors and staff complicit with committing fraud against Medicare, Medicaid and private insurance companies. Vice president Roger Ehmen and medical director Dr. Ravi Barnabas were able to turn the nearly bankrupt hospital into a lucrative profit center. The pair tapped Dr. Sheshiqiri Rao Vavilikolanu and Dr. Kumar Kaliana to recruit potential patients.

The benevolent Dr. Maurice Mazel.

For years the doctors sent hospital employees into the Chicago community to find potential patients. It did not matter if they did not have heart conditions, were drug addicts, were unable to speak English or even had no health insurance coverage. Recruiters instructed the potential patients how to feign symptoms in order to mandate services rendered by Edgewater Medical Center. In return the patients were offered money, food, cigarettes and other amenities for their cooperation.

Another complicit Edgewater physician participated in the massive fraud scheme. Dr. Andrew Cubria tapped into the recruited patient pool for unnecessary angiogram and angioplasty operations.

Then a man named Albert Okaro underwent an invasive and unnecessary cardiac surgery that ultimately killed him. The patient's death was regarded as collateral damage for Dr. Cubria. Tax-payer funded healthcare programs and private insurers reimbursed the hospital for more than 750 invasive, and expensive, cardiac surgeries performed by Dr. Cubria alone.

One Edgewater physician, Dr. Krishnaswami Sriram, billed the government for seemingly impossible human feats. According to Dr. Sriram's billing records on Nov. 12, 1997 he saw 187 patients… all of whom coincidently had congestive heart failure.

In Jan. 1999 a severe snowstorm brought Chicago to a standstill. Despite the hazardous weather conditions Dr. Sriram was apparently able to visit 31 elderly patients at their homes and 18 more in medical facilities. Thirty-two of Dr. Sriram's patients also

The Anderson Point Apartments now fill the block that was once Edgewater Hospital.

managed to incur new medical costs long after their deaths. On paper it appeared as though Dr. Sriram was indefatigable. His records indicate that he met with patients every single day in 1997 and 1998, while missing only two days of work in 1999.

Things began to unravel in 1999 when the hospital payed out over $1 million to stave off an impending federal lawsuit over Medicare billing irregularities. The ambitious Dr. Sriram was taken into custody in 2000. Feds exposed the rest of the fraud operation in 2001.

The unnecessary suffering and premature deaths they caused resulted in the shuttering of a historic Chicago neighborhood hospital. As time went by, the physical property degraded and was vandalized. It became a favorite target of urban explorers and the curious, some who did damage to the interiors, despite the fact there is around-the-clock security on-site.

Among the wreckage left behind in its closing, were medical records containing former patients' names, birth dates (and in some cases death records) and other personal information which was all left open for the curious to pilfer through. They were just left in the building despite laws requiring medial records remain secured for 10 years. In the end those medical records went out in construction waste dumpsters.

The upheaval brought on by the charges cut the hospital's day-to-day operations off at the knees. In Nov. 2001 the US government, which accounted for 90% of Edgewater Medical Center income, ceased all Medicare payments. Unable to find a suitable financier the hospital shut down in Dec. 2001. The remaining 450 staff were suddenly out of a job or had to transfer to other area healthcare facilities. In addition to the displaced staff, 52 patients were transferred to other facilities for ongoing care.

In 2006 courts ruled that former owner and executive Peter Rogan was on the hook for $64.2 million in damages and penalties.

The Justice Dept. [DOJ] charged Rogan in 2008 with obstruction of justice and perjury for his attempts to hide his assets. One of the trusts was set up in the Bahamas and was entitled the Peter Rogan Irrevocable Trust. Rogan insisted that he maintained no control whatsoever over the assets and could not access it.

In addition to the federal charges, French bank Dexia put the property into foreclosure, and worked with the DOJ to recover assets scattered throughout various bank accounts and front companies in the Caribbean. Some of the cases are still in litigation.

Senior vice president Roger Ehmen and Dr. Ravi Barnabas were convicted for their roles in the fraud operation. Ehmen received 6 1/2 years of prison time and was ordered to pay $5 million in restitution.

As for the physical property, in the end, the property was put in the hands of the Edgewater Medical Center Bankruptcy Estate, which was comprised of 250 creditors who were owed in excess of $110 million.

After the once memorable hospital was shuttered forever, some of the buildings were demolished, and some of the buildings remain for other use. The old parking facility has been sold to developers where new housing has popped up. And the main buildings facing Ashland Ave. have now been converted into apartments.

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Jazz fest kicks off Sept. 1

The Chicago Jazz Festival returns this year Sept. 1-4 at Millennium Park, the Chicago Cultural Center, and city-wide.

The oldest of Chicago's free lakefront music festivals boasts an incredibly diverse lineup, Admission to all performances are free.

The Jazz Festival is a Labor Day weekend tradition that promotes all forms of jazz through free, high-quality music programming. The festival showcases Chicago's local talent alongside national and international artists to raise awareness and appreciation for one of the city's most beloved art forms.

The great composer/bandleader Duke Ellington died in the summer of 1974. Just a few weeks later, several dozen Chicago musicians held a festival to honor him, at the old bandshell at the south end of Grant Park. Ten thousand music lovers came, marking the first of what would become annual memorial concerts that drew crowds of up to 30,000.

Then in 1978, musicians working with Chicago's Council of Fine Arts held the first John Coltrane Memorial Concert in Grant Park, another popular success.

The next year the Jazz Institute of Chicago began planning its own August festival. That meant that three different groups of jazz people were working to present concerts at the end of August. After that, the music never stopped.

In the lead-up to the performances this weekend, don't miss free Jazz concerts underway now at local venues across the city, as part of the Chicago Jazz Festival. The venues participating include The South Side Jazz Coalition, Hungry Brain, Constellation, Sleeping Village, The Birdhouse Inc., Live the Spirit Residency, 51st Street Business Association, Museum of Contemporary Art, Elastic Arts Foundation and The Whistler.

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Real Estate For Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR RMTP TRUST, SERIES 2021 COTTAGE-TT-V
Plaintiff,
vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ROSEMARY N. GABRIEL, PROVIDENCE BANK & TRUST SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO GREATER CHICAGO BANK, 1606-1608 WEST CHASE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, EMEM ITIAT, JULIE FOX AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants,
22 CH 1096
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 Wednesday, October 5, 2022 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. 11-30-422-030-1001.
Commonly known as 1608 W. CHASE AVE., UNIT 1A, CHICAGO, IL 60626.
The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act
Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.
For information call Mr. Ira T. Nevel at Plaintiff's Attorney, Law Offices of Ira T. Nevel, 175 North Franklin Street, Chicago, Illinois 60606. (312) 357-1125. 22-00266 SL
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR AMERICAN HOME MORTGAGE ASSETS TRUST 2007-1 MORTGAGE-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2007-1
Plaintiff,
-v.-
MARIA ELENA CAPARROSO A/K/A MARIA CAPARROSO, LACIDES CAPARROSO, THE RIDGE ESTATES CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants
2022 CH 00643
7351 N RIDGE BLVD #GB
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 June 30, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 3, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 7351 N RIDGE BLVD #GB, CHICAGO, IL 60645
Property Index No. 11-30-314-013-1009
The real estate is improved with a residence.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of $1 for each $1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed $300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.
The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.
If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
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You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.
For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876
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Attorney File No. 14-22-00343
Attorney ARDC No. 00468002
Attorney Code. 21762
Case Number: 2022 CH 00643
TJSC#: 42-2497
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Case # 2022 CH 00643
I3199962

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
WM-RP LLC, A NEW JERSEY LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY;
Plaintiff,
vs.
ZAJIM PEROCEVIC; GLORIA PEROCEVIC; CHICAGO TITLE LAND TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE UNDER TRUST AGREEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 15, 2005, AND KNOWN AS TRUST NUMBER 8002345368; CITY OF CHICAGO; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS;
Defendants,
21 CH 4061
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, September 27, 2022 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:
Commonly known as 2053-61 W. Touhy Ave. and 7131-33 N. Ridge Blvd, Chicago, IL 60645.
P.I.N. 11-31-103-001-0000.
The mortgaged real estate is improved with a commercial building.
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. Edyta Kania at Plaintiff's Attorney, Robbins DiMonte, Ltd., 216 West Higgins Road, Park Ridge, Illinois 60068-5736. (847) 698-9600. Perocevic
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC
Plaintiff,
-v.-
CORNELL H. HENTZ AS SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES HUNTER, WOODREW HENTZ, JR., MELVIN HENTZ, DEDRIC E. HENTZ, CHAUNDRA ROUSSEAU, ASA COVINGTON, CORNELL HENTZ, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF JAMES HUNTER A/K/A JAMES HUNTER-HENTZ, MARIO HENTZ, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants
2021 CH 04297
7520 N ROGERS AVENUE
CHICAGO, IL 60626
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 21, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on September 22, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 7520 N ROGERS AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60626
Property Index No. 11-29-300-012-0000
The real estate is improved with a residence.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of $1 for each $1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed $300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.
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).
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Attorney ARDC No. 00468002
Attorney Code. 21762
Case Number: 2021 CH 04297
TJSC#: 42-2356
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Case # 2021 CH 04297
I3199501

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Lakeview Township Real Estate For Sale

Real Estate For Sale

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 October 3, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 1155 WEST ROSCOE, UNIT 1155, CHICAGO, IL 60657
Property Index No. 14-20-414-019-1067
The real estate is improved with a residential 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 HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 601 E. William St., DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 351264.
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Attorney Code. 40387
Case Number: 19 CH 01241
TJSC#: 42-2950
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Case # 19 CH 01241
I3201458

313131 ----------

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
MATRIX FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION;
Plaintiff,
vs.
BETHEL BURTON; BETHEL BURTON, AS TRUSTEE UNDER THE TRUST AGREEMENT DATED DECEMBER 7, 2015 AND DESIGNATED AS THE BETHEL JOHNSON DIXON BURTON REVOCABLE TRUST; CITY OF CHICAGO 4325-27 N. HAZEL STREET CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; SAMUEL BURTON;
Defendants,
17 CH 12064
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, October 3, 2022 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate:
P.I.N. 14-17-407-054-1004.
Commonly known as 4327 North Hazel, #1N, Chicago, Illinois 60613.
The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act
Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.
For information call The Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Diaz Anselmo & Associates, P.A., 1771 West Diehl Road, Naperville, Illinois 60563. (630) 453-6925. F21020007 ADC
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
CITIMORTGAGE, INC.
Plaintiff,
-v.-
THOMAS BRIAN CLARKE, 1617-23 WEST NORTHSHORE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants
20 CH 00080
1617 W. NORTH SHORE AVE., UNIT G
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 June 23, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on September 29, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 1617 W. NORTH SHORE AVE., UNIT G, CHICAGO, IL 60626
Property Index No. 11-31-411-021-1004 fka 11-31-411-008-0000; 11-31-411-021-1016 fka 11-31-411-008-0000 (P-1)
The real estate is improved with a condominium.
The judgment amount was $218,076.95.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of $1 for each $1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed $300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
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For information, contact HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 400674.
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Attorney Code. 40387
Case Number: 20 CH 00080
TJSC#: 42-2381
NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Case # 20 CH 00080

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,
-v.-
ALI E. LOPEZ, 5100 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants
2022 CH 00975
5100 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD APT 509
CHICAGO, IL 60640
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 1, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 3, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 5100 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD APT 509, CHICAGO, IL 60640
Property Index No. 14-08-402-013-1119; 14-08-402-013-1133
The real estate is improved with a residence.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of $1 for each $1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed $300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
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Case Number: 2022 CH 00975
TJSC#: 42-2128
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Case # 2022 CH 00975
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC
Plaintiff,
-v.-
ANETA HADZI-TANOVIC A/K/A ANETA PAVLOVICH , SLOBODAN PAVLOVICH, THE 632 W. BRIAR PLACE CONDOMINIUM, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants
19 CH 09930
632 WEST BRIAR PLACE, # 3
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 June 27, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on September 27, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 632 WEST BRIAR PLACE, # 3, CHICAGO, IL 60657
Property Index No. 14-28-101-037-1003
The real estate is improved with a condominium with 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. 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.
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You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.
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Unit #2047 Oscar Alvarez

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at 2:00 p.m. Cash only.

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GERMANS *from p. 9*

lic Church in Old Town. In 1892 they shifted party allegiance to support German-born Democrat gubernatorial candidate John P. Altgeld. From the 1890s to the early 1930s, however, the German Americans tended to support Republican candidates, most prominently "Big Bill" Thompson, who sought their votes by standing behind them during the difficult World War I years. In the early 1930s, when Chicago became Democratic, German Americans more or less followed suit with German Catholics in the lead supporting Cermak in the 1932–33 elections.

German women participated in many community events, while at the same time creating their own institutions. Beyond organizing women's choirs and gymnastics groups, they created a lively female public sphere of charity organizations and women's clubs; in newspapers directed toward female readers they debated "women's issues."

They also managed to support a large home for the elderly in Forest Park, which was still functioning at the opening of the 21st century, and organized fancy charity balls where the German American elite could present itself to Chicago society.

Their bazaars, fairs, and other fundraising activities broadened the base for community participation in addition to providing material support to ethnic institutional life. Although German women's activities paralleled those of other Chicago women's groups, these women had a strong sense of their own value system. They considered themselves to be the better housewives, and having a more professional grip on household management stood at the center of their ethnic identity.

Today, on occasions like the German-American Day or the May Festival, people of German descent continue to publicly demonstrate ethnic pride.

For over 150 years, generation after generation of German immigrants came to Chicago, constructing a multifaceted, vibrant ethnic community, while at the same time helping to build a modern Midwestern city.

North Township Real Estate For Sale

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT, LLC
Plaintiff,
-v.-
ERNESTO H. PADRON, AS INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATOR, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF REGINA HEIL, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, DISCOVER BANK, THE PLAZA ON DEWITT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, ERNESTO H. PADRON, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants
2021 CH 05843
260 E. CHESTNUT ST #805
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 May 31, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 5, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 260 E. CHESTNUT ST #805, CHICAGO, IL 60611
Property Index No. 17-03-222-023-1070
The real estate is improved with a condo/townhouse.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of $1 for each $1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed $300, in certified funds/or 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

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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).
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Parkways for Pollinators Project seeking more help for 2023

'Parkways for Pollinators' [P4P] is an urban planting project which hopes to transform unpaved public spaces between the sidewalks and the street curbs into pollinator gardens. They are now seeking more spaces and volunteers to man them.

The project began with just five sites in 2021, and this year expanded to nearly 40 sites. They hope to expand further in 2023.

In addition to their eye appeal, these gardens offer benefits, including greater forage and habitat for pollinators, improved floral biodiversity, improved soil health, reduced erosion, reduced 'urban heat island' effect and they can capture some atmospheric carbon. The P4P is led by a group of volunteer North Side residents who provide native prairie plant seedlings for free to any Chicago resident interested in developing a pollinator garden in their parkway.

They will provide resources including education, designs, planting supplies and materials, and native plant seedlings to registered sites. Any publicly accessible spaces are acceptable sites, including community gardens, school yards, natural areas, parkways, and corner gardens. Native plant recipients are encouraged to make a small donation in support of the program.

Those who may wish to participate in 2023 and help nourish the pollinators with plantings are invited to visit their web site,

edgewaterenvironmentalcoalition.org/projects/parkways-for-pollinators, or contact them at sustainedgewater@gmail.com.

P4P is a project of the Edgewater Environmental Coalition, a nonprofit organization focused on building and maintaining a sustainable future for neighborhood through action and advocacy.

Father, 5-year-old son shot by rifle rounds in Rogers Park

BY CWBCHICAGO

A 5-year-old boy was critically wounded and his father was also injured when someone shot them with a rifle in Rogers Park on Aug. 28, according to Chicago police.

The victims were traveling in a car when the gunman pulled up next to them in a black Hyundai and began firing in the 7600 block of N. Paulina just after 5 p.m., according to a CPD media statement.

Police said the boy suffered a gunshot wound to his head, and his father was shot in the left hand and shoulder. Both arrived at St. Francis Hospital in the bullet-riddled car shortly after the shooting. The boy was subsequently transferred to Lurie Children's Hospital, CPD said.

Investigators found several rifle round casings at the shooting scene. Witnesses said the gunman's car may have headed west on Howard after the shooting.

There have been 22 people shot in Rogers Park so far this year, including five during August. By comparison, the neighborhood had 17 shooting victims as of this date last year.

Lake Shore Dr. shut down Sunday for biking fundraiser

Yes, Lake Shore Dr. will be shut down for cars and trucks Sunday morning for the annual Bike The Drive fundraiser, where one of the city's critical roadway will be taken over by bikers.

Festivities start at 5:30 a.m. and the drive will begin to reopen to automobile traffic at 10:30 a.m.

Those who planned to use N. Lake Shore Dr. on Sunday, Sept. 4 should make alternate route plans since it will be shut down during morning hours so that 16,000 to 20,000 riders may take over the road to help raise funds for the Active Transportation Alliance, a government-funded biking and public transportation lobbying and activist organization.

The festivities are centered at Grant Park, and Lake Shore Dr. will be blocked from Bryn Mawr Ave., south to the Museum of Science and Industry at 57th St. and Oakwood Blvd. A post-ride festival will be held in Butler Field at Grant Park. The cost is $70 for adults; and $18 for riders 17 years of age or younger.

MOBILE *from p. 1*

is experiencing a critical moment in their life due to psychosis, or suicidal ideation, or any number of causes. They need someone to respond, to help, to act and to listen. Expanding service hours will help more people at that critical moment and can save lives."

Locally, calls for mobile crisis programs increased, mirroring national calls for action that arose due to an increase in overdose and suicide deaths related to the COVID pandemic. Although COVID has eased considerably in recent months, Fenwick said, "People are still struggling with the trauma of the pandemic. We haven't noticed any changes in the number or types of calls we're currently receiving."

Trilogy Behavioral Health Care's main office is located at 1400 W. Greenleaf in Rogers Park.