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— John Ruskin

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Benjamin Marshall (right) designed and lived in this luxury apartment building at 49 E. Cedar St. with his family for many years.

Photo by Julia Bachrach



Remembering architect Benjamin Marshall: Driving with Ben Sept. 18

Fans of the work of Benjamin Marshall can join the Glessner House and Benjamin Marshall Society on a virtual drive of Chicago from one end to the other as they explore the life, work, and legacy of one of Chicago's most prolific architects, in honor of the 150th anniversary of his birth, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 18.

You may not know about the man, but you have certainly seen his work. It's a short trip through history that will show the impact one person can have on the great city of Chicago. Guests will travel virtually from the site of the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition and the South Shore Cultural Center, through the Loop, along Lake Shore Dr., and past the ghosts of Edgewater Beach, before arriving at the gates of Marshall's lost North Shore mansion. His work included The Drake and Blackstone hotels; luxury apartments at 199 and 209 E. Lake Shore Dr., 999 N. Lake Shore Dr., and 1550 N. State Pkwy., and the Mayslake Peabody Estate in Oak Brook.

Marshall was a major influence in the architectural history of modern Chicago. Marshall created traditionally detailed buildings that functioned within modern society, ingeniously juxtaposing, conservative and modern features.

Marshall's influence on Chicago's architecture was significant, as he was responsible for the development of many of the city's iconic landmarks. He was known for his ornate and grandiose designs, which often featured intri-



1550 N. State Pkwy.

Photo by Eric Allix Rogers

cate details and luxurious materials. He was also a master of scale, often creating designs in an effort to capture the grandeur of his surroundings.

His works have been praised for their timelessness and elegance, and he is remembered today as one of the most influential architects of the early 20th century.

The presentation will be given by Brandon Womack. Originally from Colorado, Brandon is an aspiring architect who holds a master's in architecture from the University of Notre Dame and is passionate about his adopted hometown of Chicago and its history.

This program will be recorded and a link will be sent to all registrants. To sign up for the program, visit www.glessnerhouse.org/events/benjamin-marshall. The link will remain live for seven days following the program.

Office tower at 2 N. LaSalle St. has been handed back to its lender

BY RYAN ORI
CoStar News

The owners of a 26-story Loop office tower have handed over the keys about a year after a \$138 million loan matured, following a national trend of voluntary surrenders in the hard-hit office sector.

In August Chicago-based Hearn and New York-based Fortress Investment Group gave up the property at 2 N. LaSalle St. via a deed in lieu of foreclosure, according to Cook County property records.

It was taken back by New York-based Torchlight Loan Services, the special servicer on a commercial mortgage-backed securities loan that matured in Aug. 2023. The loan has a remaining balance of just over \$137.8 million, according to CoStar loan data.

The 46-year-old building is the latest example of office towers either selling at a steep discount from previous prices or owners walking away because they're unable to continue making loan payments or refinance at maturity.

Factors such as poor demand for office space, rising interest rates and low sales volume have led many borrowers such as Fortress and Hearn to voluntarily hand over properties rather than going through a formal fore-



2 N. LaSalle St.

Image by Robert Gigliotti/CoStar

closure process. The trend has played out throughout the country and locally.

The move by Hearn and Fortress has been in the works for months, according to loan reports. The RealDeal Chicago in May reported the landlords' plans to walk away from 2 N. LaSalle, citing a Morningstar Credit loan report.

It's unclear what Torchlight plans to do with the office tower on behalf of bondholders in the debt. Fortress declined to comment.

The building is about 26% vacant, according to CoStar data.

Older-generation office buildings such as 2 N. LaSalle for sev-

eral years have struggled as large tenants such as Bank of America and BMO Financial have moved to big, new trophy towers near the Chicago River and farther west in Fulton Market.

Those challenges became even greater with the arrival of COVID-19 and the government-imposed economic lockdown in early 2020, which has led to remote and hybrid work schedules. That has caused many employers to significantly cut back their space, often while moving to smaller offices in higher-quality properties.

That has also lead to the city

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Man get 15 years for sexual attack of Loop woman

BY CWBCHICAGO

A judge handed down a 15-year sentence on Sept. 6 to a man found guilty of sexually attacking a woman as she walked home in the Loop.

Officials said the woman was walking to her apartment from a friend's nearby home around 1 a.m. May 21, 2021, when surveillance cameras captured footage of a man following her in the 600 block of S. Plymouth.

As she prepared to enter her building, he closed the distance, punched her in the back of the head, grabbed her arm, and dragged her to a nearby alley. Secluded from view, he straddled the woman on the ground, lifted her dress, and touched her private areas while she screamed for help and struggled to keep her dress down, according to the prosecutors. The attacker punched the woman in her right eye and put his hand over her mouth.

But he ran away when a car drove by and scared him.



Mugshot of Leslie Borden (inset).

While reviewing security footage from the CTA and other cameras, Chicago police officers spotted a unique tattoo on the attacker's neck: two letters drawn inside a Superman shield. They ran the tattoo design through a law enforcement database, and it returned a hit: Leslie Borden.

Investigators tried to arrest Borden several times but finally caught up with him early last year.

Borden, 33, took the case to a jury trial last month. The panel returned guilty verdicts on four

counts: attempted aggravated sexual assault causing bodily harm, criminal sexual abuse causing bodily harm, and two counts of aggravated battery in a public place. They found Borden not guilty of aggravated kidnapping.

During a sentencing hearing on Friday, Judge Alfredo Maldonado merged the battery charges into the other counts. He sentenced Borden to 15 years for the attempted sexual assault and 14 years for the sexual abuse charge. The sentences will be served concurrently.

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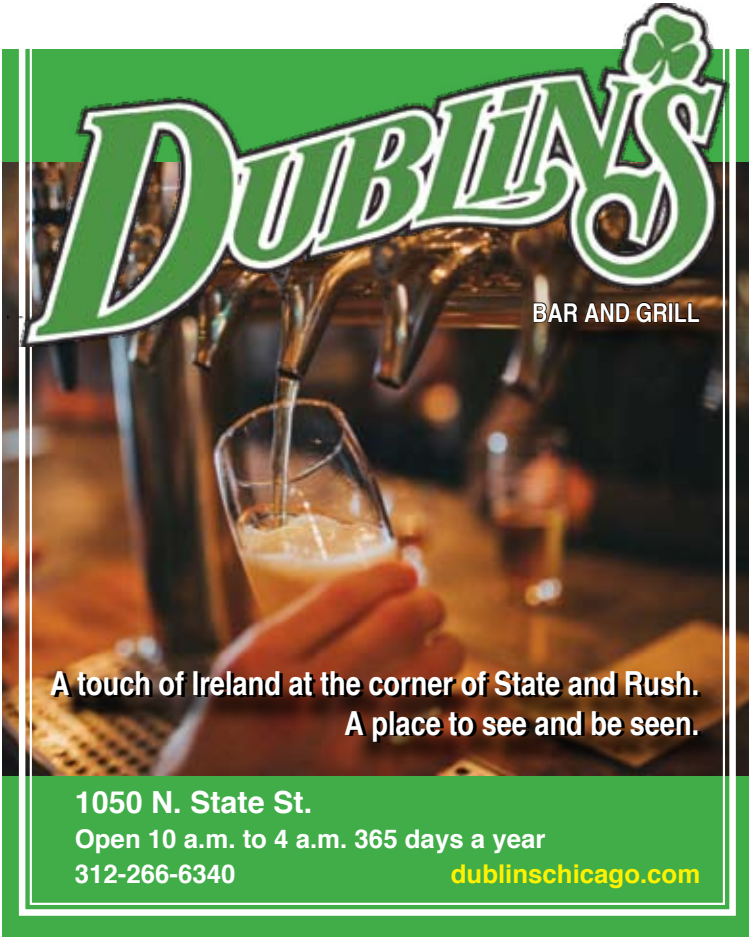
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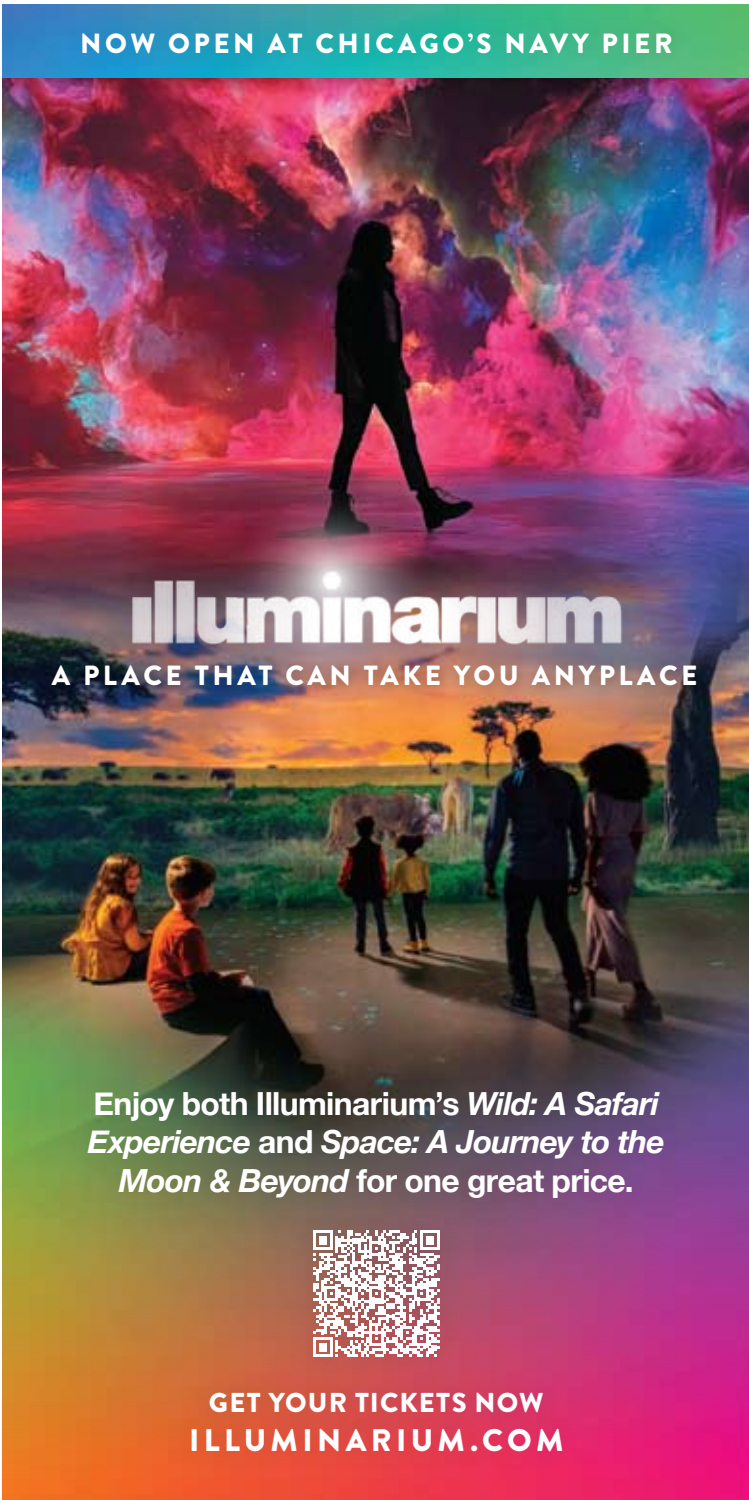
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My life with Skittles



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

Some confectionary alternate universe has come over me. I just discovered a fabulous treat filled with great fruity flavor. I don't know where I've been, but I'd never heard of them before I bought a bag from a mom from Ecuador and her children selling candy to the tourists on Fulton St. in front of Duck Duck Goat.

There went my emergency cab cash after my little purchase. I stashed the packet of sweets in my blazer pocket. Hours later, while in the midst of a sugar craving, I went in search of them and broke open the bag.

My life with "Skittles" was born.

I poured the Skittles out on my computer desk, and noted they're not much bigger than some of the pills I take. But no Lisinopril or Warfarin packs such a flavorful punch.

This was no nostalgic flavor linking me back to childhood, it was all new. Were Skittles something out of reach for Baby Boomers like me?

This was not in our inventory back in 1959 when I sold candy for the missions in our third grade classroom, for Sister Francis Xavier Cabrini, at Visitation School. Skittles are pure post-Space age candy, now popping open all my taste buds. (Skittles were born in the UK in 1974, and didn't make their way across the pond until 1979.)

These tiny pellets, I thought, even made me see more clearly ... the miracle of vision. Better than my contact lenses.

But, alas, it was just one small packet. Those fruity nuggets didn't go very far. I will be adding these items to my shopping list ahead of the fresh orange juice and the skim milk.

Being Irish, I was obsessed with trying to discover the larger cosmic reasoning behind my purchase of these fruity pellets. What drove me to this candy? Was it just because I had loose cash in my pocket? Was it that I had skipped dessert following supper? Was it the emotional response to the adorable children peddling their sweet wares on heat-heavy Fulton St.?

Was it the hustle and bustle of Fulton St. itself, an urban landscape bumper to bumper with chic, high-end restaurants?

Or could it have been the few glasses of ice cold Spanish white wine that I had consumed with my dinner entrée of handmade noodles and goat shoulder, and steamed boa buns with BBQ smoked pork. I needed to sort things out, cogitate and finish off my Skittles.

In the end my discovery of Skittles revealed the symbolic coming together of all those possibilities. I was eating dinner in a very new

environment for me on Fulton. Eating in a new exotic restaurant, elegant food of real excellence. Savoring the wine, happy to have a moment on the street that on a small scale might make this immigrant family feel more welcome in a huge city. There was a very pleasant dynamic unfolding. Cheerful people. Happy folk out on a late Sunday summer night.

The taste and flavor of Skittles will always remind me of that pleasant Chicago moment of joy.

With special Chicago thanks to candyman Bill Wrigley.

DESTROYING OLD CHICAGO:

Nearly a month ago, a group of 1870s post-fire Italianate style "Athens marble" or "Lemont limestone" residential rowhouses (later converted for commercial use) located at 161 E. Erie St., have landed on the 2024 demolition delay list. This is madness. We are silently watching Chicago's early treasures be liquidated from our landscape. Get Preservation Chicago's **Ward Miller** on the horn. We must organize and prevent this disaster.

FORM & FUNCTION: Sun-Times architecture critic, **Lee Bey**, kindly signed a copy of Southern Exposure, his 2020 best seller, for architect **Jeanne Gang**. Autographing the page showing her Lavezzorio Center, a brilliant little gem at 76th and Parnell, Lee's eye always on Chicago design.

CLOSURES: Porto, that strange but chic bistro at Ashland and Chicago, is now officially closed. Not cheap, great wines, some curious Portuguese concoctions. Went a few times when they first opened... Jack & Ginger's, a cozy neighborhood drinking institution at Damen and Armitage very suddenly shut their doors after 13 years... and Podhalanka, the Polish diner at Ashland, Milwaukee and Division is closing up after 38 years, the vintage owner wants to retire back in Poland... tasty char-broiled chicken specialist Nick's Pit Stop permanently closed after 27 years in business. Owner **Yolanda Resendiz** operated the restaurant for a decade at 2023 N. Damen Ave. And Marty's Martini Bar closed on Labor Day, after two decades at 1511 W. Balmoral Ave. just before they relocate to a new space nearby at 1477 W. Winemac Ave. No date is available.

PAX TIBI: Sad hearing the news that ace political reporter, retired, **Jack Conaty**, has died in Tucson. A longtime savvy political Chicago pundit. I remember him from my City Hall days. Always a pro of both wit and intelligence, tools sometimes in short supply at FOX 32.

But his poise and heavy lifting always seemed to lift him higher than the usual gaggle of Chicago political reporters who always beat the same drum, usually their own. I know Jack was well respected among Chicago politicians who recognized his commitment to thoroughness and the real code of journalism. The newsroom came alive in his poetic perspec-

tive and his ability to separate fact from fiction. He lifted the curtain on Chicago news and we were all the better for it. Slan Lat, Jack, as our people love to say.

NEW BOOKSHOP: Legal eagle **Dan Balanoff** tells us about Slant of Light Books, 1543 N. Wells, in Old Town, named after the famous **Emily Dickinson** poem. He discovered a fresh new bookshop in Old Town. We're always happy to support local businesses, this one owned by **Jessica**



Jack Conaty

Murach, who says she is feeling online fatigue. Ya, so are we. Jessica shifted into her new career after 12 years teaching English. She trained at the Univ. of Chicago Seminary bookstore to get a book store foundation.

So put down that damn iPhone, go buy a book and read it. Then form a book club and go talk to real live hu-

mans in person. Real ink on real paper does not spy on you and give your data to Google, Amazon, Meta and the government.

BON APPETITE: A French Bistro will soon debut across the street from Holy Name Cathedral. Petit Pomeroy is a River North spinoff of a suburban French restaurant. The bistro will soon bring classic dishes and lovely wines. Petit Pomeroy promises to bring the familiar fragrances of a beloved haute cuisine to the area.

CHURCH: Treasurer **Maria Pappas** enjoying Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy at the beautiful Romanian Patriarchal Cathedral in Bucharest, Romania.

SUNNY DAY: Adler Planetarium honored legendary WGN Meteorologist **Tom Skilling** at last

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Veteran prosecutor sues Kim Foxx, claiming she was demoted and fired for being 53 and White

BY CWBCHICAGO

A veteran Cook County prosecutor is suing Cook County State’s Attorney Kim Foxx and the county itself, alleging that Foxx wrongly removed her as head of the Conviction Integrity Unit [CIU] and later fired her based on her race and age.

Nancy Adduci, who is White, claims she was wrongly replaced as head of the office’s CIU by a young attorney with little experience and a “blatantly obvious conflict of interest” who is Black: Michelle Mbekeani.

Mbekeani’s appointment raised eyebrows because she appeared to operate an outside organization that offered to, for a fee, connect inmates with attorneys interested in handling their innocence claims.

In late Dec. 2023, two months after being removed as head of the CIU, Adduci was ordered to come into the office while on vacation to be fired, according to the lawsuit. She was 53 years old and 22 months short of retirement eligibility.

Decades of experience

Adduci joined the office in 1996, rose to supervisory positions in its criminal division, and handled hundreds of cases, including capital cases, before Illinois eliminated the death penalty, the lawsuit states. She became supervisor of the CIU, which

investigates wrongful conviction claims, in 2014, under Foxx’s predecessor. According to the lawsuit, Foxx promoted Adduci to director of the unit in 2019.

Adduci “personally conducted scores of investigations resulting in post-conviction relief in over 200 criminal cases,” the lawsuit states. In 2021, she received a fellowship with the American College of Trial Lawyers, an honor earned by only 1% of attorneys, the lawsuit stated.

Demoted

But, in Oct. 2023, she was called into a meeting with Foxx’s two top assistants. They told her she would be removed as head of the CIU because, the lawsuit claims, Foxx “wanted someone in the position who was ‘more representative of the community.’”

During the meeting, Foxx’s top assistant allegedly told her that the decision “had nothing to do with” her job performance.

“Ms. Adduci was shocked that she was not sufficiently ‘representative of the community,’ after serving almost three decades in the [Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office], living in Cook County, getting married in Cook County, and sending her kids to public school in Cook County,” the lawsuit states.

Around Thanksgiving last year, Foxx’s top assistant revealed to Adduci that her

replacement at CIU would be “a much younger black [assistant state’s attorney] who had been serving as Foxx’s policy advisor on matters of criminal justice reform and had no practical criminal experience,” said the lawsuit.



Kim Foxx

Despite demoting her and cutting her pay, Foxx’s top assistant asked Adduci to keep performing the same duties, effectively acting as the CIU’s director, she alleges.

Adduci allegedly asked the office’s human resources division about her rights and for help filing a discrimination complaint.

Fired

Adduci was on vacation on Dec. 27, 2023, when she was “summarily ordered” to appear at the state’s attorney executive offices in the Loop the next day, according to the suit. Adduci allegedly reminded the office that she was on vacation and, in addition, was scheduled to attend her friend’s funeral the next day.

“Ms. Adduci was told that her appearance was needed in person as soon as the funeral had concluded,” the lawsuit states.

On Dec. 29, she went to the executive offices and was fired by Foxx’s chief of staff, who, via video conference, “read a prepared script from the comfort of her own home,” the lawsuit states. Adduci claims she didn’t receive a reason for her dismissal.

The lawsuit accuses Foxx of discriminating against Adduci because of her age

and race and retaliating against her for opposing those actions.

A separate lawsuit

Federal court records show that Adduci, the state’s attorney’s office, and others were named in a wrongful conviction lawsuit filed on Dec. 29, 2023, the same day Adduci states she was fired.

In that lawsuit, Carl Reed, who spent 19 years in prison before his conviction was vacated in May 2023, seeks compensation from the city of Chicago, Chicago police officers, the Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office, and Adduci.

In a lengthy filing, Reed’s attorney claims Adduci, relying on information provided by Chicago cops, wrote “a purported ‘confession’ that... directly contradicted the physical evidence at the scene.” It also states that Reed never learned to read and couldn’t have read the confession.

Adduci’s lawsuit indicates that she would have been the director of the CIU when the state’s attorney’s office agreed to vacate Reed’s conviction.

Whether Reed’s lawsuit had anything to do with Adduci’s dismissal is unknown.

A spokesperson for the Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office said on Sept. 3 that they could not comment on pending litigation or personnel matters.

Mbekiani resigned from the state’s attorney’s office in June. Earlier in the year, Cook County Judge Michael McHale barred her from ever practicing in his courtroom after he concluded that she lied to him about whether she operated a business designed to link convicts to attorneys for a fee.

The Cook County Record was the first to report on Adduci’s lawsuit.



Race to Wrigley is Saturday

The 19th Annual Race to Wrigley 5K charity run is Saturday, Sept. 14, and prices for in-person registration jump to \$60 on Thursday.

This is a chance to join the race through Wrigley Field, and support a great cause — Cubs Charities’ work. The race is almost sold out.

Runners will race through the Lakeview neighborhood before entering Wrigley Field and will cross the finish line just steps away from the Wrigley Field Marquee. Runners will have a chance to run on the warning track on the field as a part of

the race course.

Runners are also able to participate in the race virtually.

Runners can map out a 5K course of your own and complete the race. The registration fee for the in-person race is \$50 and \$30 for children ages 10 and under.

Proceeds from the race benefit Cubs Charities’ mission to mobilize the power of sport to champion youth, families, and communities. Personal fundraising will also directly help children and adolescents in need of behavioral health care services at Advocate Children’s Hospital.

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New commission settlement creates big changes for real estate pros



The Home Front
by Don DeBat

Following court litigation, real estate brokers in Chicago and across the nation are scrambling to decipher a new playbook for earning brokerage commissions. Resolving claims over broker commissions, the Chicago-based National Assn. of Realtors [NAR] has agreed to pay a fine of \$418 million over four years and implement rules that ensure agents' commissions are negotiable. In the settlement, NAR did not admit wrongdoing.

The settlement ends litigation in Missouri that last year brought a staggering \$1.8 billion verdict against NAR that could have been tripled under U.S. antitrust law.

Plaintiffs in the Missouri case alleged NAR's rules for placing homes on various multiple listing service [MLS] platforms, in effect fixed commissions at high rates, and discouraged sellers from seeking better terms.

Broker commissions are typically paid by home sellers. Commissions are often in the range of 5% to 6%. That's \$20,000 or more on the sale of a \$400,000 home. When a buyer is represented by their own real estate agent, the seller's agent usually agrees to split a portion of the commission with the buyer's agent.

Historically, compensation offers have been listed on the MLS, but the court settlement will forbid this practice, which Realtors have used since the 1920s, or earlier. For example, in 1923, the chairman of the National Assn. of Real Estate Boards (NAR's precursor) Committee on Commissions claimed that the Chicago broker's association had used a commission schedule for more than 40 years.

Critics say individual sellers often feel powerless to negotiate a better deal for themselves because of the risk that offering lower commissions may cause brokers to steer buyers to other properties offering higher rates of compensation.

Considering NAR is the biggest Congressional lobbyist group in the U.S., the court action truly is a landmark.

Stephen Brobeck, senior fellow at the Consumer Federation of America, predicted that the NAR court action would eventually lower agent commissions and help align compensation with services rendered.

"Increasingly, compensation will reflect agent competence, experience, and the effect they make on a sale," said Brobeck, who noted that the impact of the court action may take years to be felt.

"This agent-commission change is long overdue," said Gold Coast buyer broker Sara E. Benson, CRB, ABR, president of Chicago-based Benson Stanley Realty. "I find the practice of a listing agent dictating the buyer agent's compensation disconcert-

ing at best—and indefensible at worst."

In response to an invitation to participate in a Sept. 9 NAR Settlement Response Discussion, Benson, one of the first exclusive buyer brokers in Illinois, told the group, "I've been waiting 30 years for this change. As an exclusive buyer's broker these changes are thrilling. Finally, buyer agents will no longer be enslaved to the listing agent's 'offer of compensation.' Free at last! Free at last!"

For decades, listing agents have been incessantly "chiseling" the offer of buyer broker compensa-

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"Some successful realty agents boast about their top-ranked annual sales volume," Benson said. "However, these agents can be the most-risky for the consumer because they may often have the lowest ethical standards."

While the seller's agent may

ducts negotiations, attends the final walk-throughs, and at post-closing, does buyer hand-holding, especially if there are additional questions or concerns.

"The sheer worth of a good buyer broker's networks is invaluable," Benson noted. "Agents often have private access to properties not even publicly listed. Despite all of this, the listing agent dictates their compensation? I applaud the decoupling of commissions."

A study commissioned by a major telephone carrier for 232 corporate relocations over the period of one year found exclusive buyer brokers secured homes at 91% of asking price, compared with a 96.5% price secured by traditional brokers.

Gold Coast buyer broker Sara E. Benson hopes now that the enacted NAR decision might just get rid of the morally questionable practice of "double dipping"—or practicing as a "dual agent"—the dirtiest little secret in the real estate industry.

tion. "Rarely, is the commission split 50/50 between brokers. In many parts of Wisconsin, buyer's agents frequently receive a mere 35% of the total commission—with the seller's agent taking the lion's share of the meat," Benson said. Many home sellers are completely unaware of the inequalities in brokerage compensation.

In Chicago, Benson noted that prior to the settlement, some listing agents were "offering" only 33%—or less—to buyer's agents and publishing that commission in the MLS.

For the buyer's agent to meddle with the commission structure would have generally been considered "contract interference" and prohibited by NAR.

"Under the NAR settlement, buyer agents finally will be empowered to set their own rates and get paid what they are worth," Benson said.

So, how does a home buyer find a good buyer's agent, who may be worth even more than their commission? First, check out the buyer-broker's education, usually outlined in the professional designations earned, along with years of service and experience.

No. 1: Is the broker a Certified

photograph the property, list the home in the MLS, and host open houses, the buyer's agent is responsible for the lion's share of home-buying expenses, pre-buying research and field work, outlined below:

- **Pre-buying activities.** In addition to hours of consultation, buyer brokers secure pre-approval letters, conduct limitless property research and market analysis, and check real estate tax records.
- Detective work in condominium buying often involves research on a building's finances and the risk of a potential special assessment, which could cost an unwary buyer \$10,000 to \$50,000—or more—in the first few years of ownership.
- **Field work outside office.** Once the property is targeted, the buyer broker schedules and sets up showings, and takes the buyer on what could be dozens of property showings.
- **Property targeting.** When a suitable property is targeted, the buyer broker develops negotiation strategies, sets up and attends inspections, and gathers repair estimates.
- **Contract stage.** The buyer broker also prepares the purchase contract, presents the offer, con-

"That's a full 5.5% percent spread—or a buyer savings of \$22,000 on a \$400,000 home," said Benson. She also noted that the fall-through rate of "For-Sale-By-Owner" contracts—without a professional broker's guidance—is a whopping 80%.

"For first-time buyers who think their real estate attorney will provide the services and expertise that an experienced buyer's agent can, they are mistaken," Benson said.

"Attorneys never even set foot on the property," Benson said. "They aren't familiar enough with the real estate landscape to provide a competitive market analysis because they don't have the data or the knowledge," she said.

"Attorneys aren't familiar with school districts and neighborhood boundaries. They often select title companies in which they have 'affiliated business arrangements' for their own profit."

Benson hopes now that the enacted NAR decision might just get rid of the morally questionable practice of "double dipping"—or practicing as a "dual agent"—the dirtiest little secret in the real estate industry.

A dual agent is a broker who "represents" both the buyer and the seller in the same transaction. However, a dual agent cannot fully represent either party. It is illegal not to disclose the dual-agency relationship. There is an inherent conflict of interest because the seller wants the highest price and the buyer wants the lowest price.

Dual agency benefits the real estate agent at a high cost to the consumer. Currently, dual agency is banned in eight states. It's the number one reason agents are sued.

"Savvy buyers who continue to seek professional, buyer-broker guidance will get the full and undivided representation which they pay for and deserve," Benson noted. "And, buyers should be prepared to sign an agreement to receive the full range of benefits an exclusive buyer broker can offer."

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



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Change in law lets tax breaks automatically renew for homeowners with disabilities

BY MARIA PAPPAS

State lawmakers have made it easier for people with disabilities to continue receiving property tax relief on an annual basis.

Cook County homeowners who receive the Persons with Disabilities Exemption no longer have to reapply for the benefit every year. Lawmakers recently acted to allow the benefit to automatically renew annually, at least through 2027.

Exemptions are tax breaks that typically reduce a property's Equalized Assessed Valuation [EAV]. The Persons with Disabilities Exemption reduces a property's EAV by \$2,000, thus reducing the tax bill.

Legislators directed that the exemption may be automatically renewed in Cook County and in any other county "where the county board has authorized such action by ordinance or resolution."

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The following eligibility requirements must be met to receive the Persons with Disabilities Exemption:

- The home must be owned and occupied by a person with a disability who is responsible for paying property taxes on Jan. 1 of the year for which the application is made.
- The homeowner must submit proof of disability, such as Class 2 Illinois Person with a Disability Identification Card

• The property cannot receive this exemption in the same year it is receiving the Veterans with Disabilities Exemption for Specially Adapted Housing or the Veterans with Disabilities Exemption

Federal law defines what qualifies as disabilities, and those definitions are used



Maria Pappas

by the Social Security Admin. and others to assess eligibility for benefits.

Prior to the change in state law, homeowners receiving the Persons with Disabilities Exemption had to reapply for the benefit

each year, except for one year during the pandemic when the benefit was automatically renewed for all recipients.

Previously, people receiving the benefit had to fill out and submit a form each year. They also had to submit proof of their disability on an annual basis. Automatic renewal will save people the hassle of filling out paperwork and reduce the number of people who miss out on the benefit because they forgot to reapply.

Other exemptions, including the Homowner Exemption and the Senior Citizen Exemption, also automatically renew on an annual basis. However, people receiving the Senior Freeze Exemption, which is available for senior citizens with annual household income of \$65,000 or less, must reapply every year to demonstrate they continue to meet income eligibility requirements.

My website, cookcountytreasurer.com, has more information about exemptions and can walk you through the application process.

The Village hosts fundraiser Sept. 24 at History Museum

The Village Chicago, a unique community treasure for older adults, is hosting a special fundraising event called "Light Up the Night" 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24, at the Chicago History Museum, 1601 N. Clark St.

At the event guests will enjoy a lively reception with appetizers, drinks, games, prizes and a raffle. There will be a live auction with amazing getaways and other extravagant treats followed by unforgettable entertainment by performers from Lyric's world-renowned Patrick G. and Shirley W. Ryan Opera Center.

Village members are part of a network of friendship and support for navigating life after 50 together - as a community. With one phone call or mouse click, members have access to a full range of activities, events, volunteer opportunities, and member services, all delivered with customized attention and designed to build strong neighbor-to-neighbor connections and friendships.

For more information about the Village or to purchase tickets, visit www.thevillagechicago.org, write to info@thevillagechicago.org or call 773-248-8700.

Lakeview East Festival of the Arts' Sept. 14-15

Annual celebration includes a art, culture, food, music

The Lakeview East Chamber of Commerce [LECC] is hosting and producing their 19th Annual Lakeview East Festival of the Arts Saturday, Sept. 14 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. with additional hours for live music, food and drink tents until 10 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 15 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Lakeview East is a dynamic neighborhood community rich in culture, history and the arts. The LECC works hand in hand with its local residents and business owners to offer its neighbors one of the premier fine art outdoor festivals on the North Side.

Every aspect, from artists to musicians to vendors and everything in between, is specifically selected by the chamber of commerce in order to bring the best to the heart of Lakeview and to all who visit the festival. They asks for a \$5 donation upon entrance, this fee goes to supporting additional events and offerings in the Lakeview East area. For more information visit LakeviewEastFestivalOfTheArts.com.

This year the festival showcases more than 120-juried artists featuring world-class original paintings, sculpture, photography, furniture, jewelry and more.

In addition to the artists' booths, the festival also includes live music on multiple stages, a children's play area, wine, beer and food booths, and an interactive garden oasis.

The image chosen for the 2024 Festival is Ethos Meets Reality by Greta Sandquist, known for her modern impressionist oil and acrylic paintings. Sandquist trained as an illustrator and worked in commercial art for 15 years before pursuing her passion for painting in 2010.

She began selling her work at art fairs and



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local galleries and shops, and occasionally doing commission work. Sandquist creates modern impressionistic paintings inspired by nature, portraiture, and animals. Sandquist works with oil paint, acrylic paint, and metal leaf.

For more information on the LECC visit www.LakeviewEast.com. Their service area boundaries are Diversey Pkwy. north to Irving Park Rd.

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Police Beat...

Shots fired, two detained after rappers brawl in Old Town

Chicago police detained two people and recovered a firearm after shots were fired as a group of rappers were leaving the New City complex. Cops found a man with blood on his clothing and were told by witnesses that a rapper fled the scene after being shot in the leg, however, the possible victim has not been found.

According to preliminary information, 911 calls about a person shot sent police to the residential and commercial development at 1457 N. Halsted around 2:13 a.m. Sept. 7. Officers cleared the facility's parking structure after finding a shell casing in a vestibule, along with a bloody shoe and blood outside the vestibule door.

Witnesses reported that there had been an altercation between at least two rappers when someone began shooting.

A CPD spokesperson confirmed an "altercation" occurred between groups in a parking garage on the 1400 block of N. Halsted. They also confirmed that at least one person fired shots and, as of 7:30 a.m., no shooting victim had been located.

As police were investigating the scene, they stopped two men walking away from the area who they believed were suspicious, according to a source. The cops ended up finding a gun in their car, but we're told the men are not suspected of being involved in the shooting.

Sex offender gets 11 years for violently attacking two women on DePaul campus

The convicted sex offender accused of violently attacking two women on the DePaul Univ. campus in 2023 was given an 11-year sentence on Sept. 5. Frank Redd, a 28-year-old Wisconsin man convicted of sexual assault in 2016, tried to drag one victim into a DePaul restroom and choked the other until she felt she was going to die, prosecutors said.

Court records show he pleaded guilty to kidnapping and unlawful vehicular invasion after cutting a deal with prosecutors. Judge Shelley Sutker-Dermer sentenced him to 11 years for the vehicular invasion charge and a concurrent seven years for kidnapping.

The crime spree began on DePaul's Lincoln Park campus around 3:45 p.m. April 13, 2023, when a 28-year-old woman asked Redd for help finding a classroom in the Schmitt Academic Center, 2320 N. Kenmore.

Redd agreed to take her to the room, but the woman realized that he didn't know where he was going, so she thanked him and turned to walk away, prosecutors said. As the woman turned, Redd grabbed her from behind, covering her nose and

mouth with one hand and wrapping his other arm around her chest so she could not escape, according to the allegations.

Claiming to have a knife and threatening to hurt the woman if she screamed, Redd allegedly dragged her toward a nearby restroom. The victim managed to grab a wall so Redd could not get her into the restroom, then dropped to the floor, breaking Redd's grip. Redd ran away as the woman screamed for help.

About 15 minutes later, a 22-year-old DePaul student struck another car as she tried to park in a school parking garage in the 2300 block of N. Sheffield. She stepped out to inspect the damage and encountered Redd, who offered to help her dislodge her car from the other vehicle, prosecutors claimed.

Redd allegedly climbed into the woman's car, put both hands around her neck, and squeezed until the woman became lightheaded and felt like she was losing consciousness. She later told investigators that she thought she was dying.

He eventually loosened his grip and ran away when she yelled for help, but officials said he left a bookbag in the woman's car containing his driver's license and other IDs.

Cops arrested Redd a short time later after another student reported that a man stole her bookbag from a DePaul building in the 2200 block of N. Sheffield. Witnesses to the theft directed the police toward Redd.

Redd is a registered sex offender in Wisconsin and Illinois, according to the states' online records.

Teen carjacked SUV in Uptown, took cops on a crosstown chase

A 17-year-old boy carjacked a driver at gunpoint on Sept. 5 and then led police on a cross-town chase that ended with his arrest, authorities say.

Just before 10:30 p.m., a 44-year-old man reported that his GMC Yukon was taken at gunpoint in the 4600 block of N. Broadway.

It didn't take long for Chicago police to locate the hijacked SUV by using the city's license plate reader network and one of CPD's helicopters. Illinois State Police troopers joined the party and helped arrest the teen after he struck a curb near the Stevenson Expressway and Damen.

He is charged with aggravated vehicular hijacking with a firearm, aggravated possession of a stolen motor vehicle, and three counts of aggravated fleeing.

Aldermen ask for help after rolling gun battle rattles North Side neighborhood

Two North Side aldermen are asking constituents to review their surveillance camera footage after a rolling shootout between the occupants of two cars roared through the Budlong Woods area of Lincoln Square on Sept. 5.

Several residents reported the shootout around 6 p.m., moments after it started near the intersection of Gregory St. and Virginia Ave. Witnesses said the occupants of a black sedan, possibly a Lexus, exchanged gunfire with someone in an SUV as the cars sped along the street.

Chicago cops responded quickly, finding shell casings stretched along a city block and some bullet-damaged cars. No injuries were reported.

Ald. Debra Silverstein [50th] and

Ald. Andre Vasquez [40th] sent separate emails to their constituents after the shootout, saying the gunmen fired at each other on the 5500 block of N. Virginia and the 5500 block of N. Washtenaw.

"The police are looking for surveillance footage and any eyewitness accounts," Silverstein wrote.

Vasquez said, "Witnesses reported a black sedan chasing a dark-colored SUV, with both vehicles firing shots at each other."

Both aldermen encouraged residents to check to see if their surveillance systems captured any useful footage and asked witnesses to step forward. The aldermen advised residents to share tips with Area Three detectives by calling 312-744-8261.

Man murdered in Rogers Park

A man was shot and killed in Rogers Park Sept. 5, marking the third shooting in the neighborhood last week.

The victim, 31, was in an alley behind the 2000 block of W. Howard when he suffered a gunshot wound to the back of his head around 5:45 p.m., officials said.

Witnesses told police they saw a man calmly walk out of the alley after the shooting. About 30 minutes after the murder, Evanston police spotted a man matching that individual's description, and Chicago police detained him for investigation.

Police records show that the victim has been arrested on and near the block where he was shot three times since 2017, twice on charges of manufacture-delivery of cannabis and once for allegedly possessing a firearm as a felon.

After enjoying a relatively quiet summer, with no shootings between June 26 and last week, Rogers Park has experienced a flurry of shootings since Sept. 2.

At 9:11 p.m. Sept. 3, a 51-year-old CTA employee was shot and seriously wounded outside the Howard station. On Monday, a 50-year-old victim was standing in the 6900 block of N. Glenwood when a man shot him in the shoulder and fled the scene, police said.

So far this year, 18 people have been shot in Rogers Park, six fatally. That's compared to 28 during the period last year and 23 in 2022.

Driver intentionally ran over bicyclist on Lakefront Trail

Prosecutors have charged a woman with intentionally striking a bicyclist with her car on the Lakefront Trail in Uptown and then fleeing the scene.

The cyclist was not seriously injured.

Lindsey Hughes, 28, intentionally drove her Nissan Rogue on the bike path in the 500 block of W. Montrose Dr., near Montrose Harbor, a little before 7 a.m. Aug. 29, a Chicago police report said.

She made "several attempts" to hit a 31-year-old man who was riding his bike on the path, according to the report. She ultimately succeeded by broadsiding his bike and knocking him to the ground, a CPD crash report showed.

Hughes got out of her car and moved toward the cyclist after striking him, the report said. Thinking she was going to attack him again, the victim deployed pepper spray to defend himself, according to the report.

Prosecutors said Hughes drove away from the scene, but police arrested her a short time later in the 4300 block of N. Marine Dr. The arresting officers reported that she said something to the effect of, "I ran him over," as they took her into custody.

The bicyclist, who suffered bruising and cuts on his left arm and right leg, was treated by paramedics at the scene. He declined further medical attention. His bike's handlebars and

front tire were also damaged.

Prosecutors charged her with felony aggravated battery in a public place and misdemeanor counts of reckless driving and leaving the scene. They did not ask Judge David Kelly to detain Hughes, so he sent her home to await trial.

Rash of North Side commercial burglaries

Police are warning North Side businesses of multiple burglaries where force was used to the smash front glass windows or doors are pried open to gain entry. Safes, register drawers, electronics and large amount of clothing and money are taken.

Incidents include one on the 200 block of W. Lake St. Sunday Aug. 31, 2024 12 a.m.; Monday Sept. 02, 2024 6 a.m.; 2000 block of N. Lincoln Ave. Sunday Sept. 1, 2 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 1600 block of W. Chicago Ave Tuesday Sept. 3, 6:45 a.m.; Wednesday Sept. 4, 6:47 a.m.; 1700 block of W. Chicago Ave. Wednesday Sept. 4, 3:20 a.m.; 1700 block of W. Chicago Ave. Wednesday Sept. 4, 4:13 a.m.; 100 block of W. Hubbard St. Wednesday Sept. 4, 3:48 a.m.; 1900 block of W. Chicago Ave Wednesday Sept. 4, 4:19 a.m.; 2000 block of N. Halsted St. Thursday Sept. 5, 2:59 a.m.; 2000 block of N. Orchard St. Thursday Sept. 5, 3:12 a.m., and on the 3000 block of N. Southport St. Thursday Sept. 05, 3:22 A.M

The offenders are described as one to two male offenders, two female offenders, black hooded sweat shirt, black ski mask, black pants. Dark olive green colored beanie hat ski cap. Vehicles used were dark Jeep Cherokee and a gray Audi Sport Utility Vehicle.

Those who may have any information, can contact the Bureau of Detectives – Area Three at 312-744-8263.

Seven years for displaying a handgun on the Red Line while on parole; he won't spend a single night in prison



Roderrick Sims

An eight-time convicted felon has been given a seven-year sentence for displaying a firearm on the Red Line in the Loop. But, because Roderrick Sims earned so many credits while fighting the charges, he is not required to spend a single day in prison.

Sims, 33, was on parole for robbing a Michael Jackson impersonator at the Jackson Red Line CTA station when he was caught with a gun at the Roosevelt station in June 2022.

Around 6:40 on a Friday evening, police received calls about a robbery in progress on the 1100 block of S. State. At least two 911 callers said a man wearing all white clothing was robbing someone at gunpoint.

Police spotted Sims in the area wearing all-white clothing with a bag of marijuana dangling out of his back pocket, prosecutors said. Cops patted him down and allegedly found a loaded handgun bearing a defaced serial number stuffed in his underwear.

Officers never found the alleged robbery victim that people called about. However, surveillance cameras at the nearby Roosevelt CTA station allegedly captured video of Sims showing people a gun and then tucking the weapon into his waist.

On Aug. 29, Sims pleaded guilty to being a felon in possession of a firearm while on parole, the second most serious charge he faced, according to court records. He was sentenced to seven years by Judge James Obbish.

Illinois Dept. of Corrections records show he was taken to Stateville Correctional Center on Aug. 30 and went home the same day. So, while he was given a seven-year sentence, he is getting out of prison just two years and three months after being charged. He'll be on supervised release for a year.

You may remember the time in 2019 when we told you about Sims' frequent arrests near downtown train stations. He racked up nine arrests that year and was on electronic monitoring for one of those cases when he and two other men attacked the Michael Jackson performer at, coincidentally, the Jackson Red Line CTA station on Nov. 29, 2019.

The victim saw Sims and a group of accomplices board his train car and follow him onto the Jackson platform. One of the accomplices slammed the victim down, causing his face to hit the platform. Sims stopped the man from getting up as the robbers emptied his pockets and took his suitcase and bags, according to a Chicago police report.

Police arrested Sims after releasing surveillance images of three offenders to the public. He pleaded guilty last in Aug. 2021 and was released in December of that year, according to IDOC records.

Replay of Lollapalooza, two migrants charged with robbing concertgoers at ARC Music Festival



Mugshots of Jonas Alcala-Arteaga, left, and Yunior Amaro-Blanco.

Two Venezuelan migrants are charged with robbing ARC Music Festival attendees of gold chains over the weekend, allegations that are strikingly similar to charges filed against two other migrants after last month's Lollapalooza.

Jonas Alcala-Arteaga, 30, and Yunior Amaro-Blanco, 24, were arrested separately on Sept. 1 as the ARC festival was underway at Union Park, 1501 W. Randolph.

According to a Chicago police report, a 37-year-old Schaumburg man told police that someone stepped on his foot shortly after he entered the concert grounds around 6 p.m. When he confronted the other person, Alcala-Arteaga ripped off the man's gold chain and medallion and ran away, the report stated.

The alleged victim spotted Alcala-Arteaga again about 15 minutes later, but Alcala-Arteaga allegedly ran away again. When Alcala-Arteaga tried to run away from a third encounter with the man, he tripped and fell, allowing the victim to grab and detain him until security arrived, the report said.

Alcala-Arteaga, who listed the Standard Club shelter as his home address, is charged with robbery.

About an hour later, Amaro-Blanco allegedly grabbed a 25-year-old man and snatched two chains worth \$6,000 from his neck. That victim quickly grabbed Amaro-Blanco and held him until ARC security arrived to turn him over to Chicago police, according to a separate CPD report, which said the second victim recovered one of his necklaces.

Amaro-Blanco is also charged with robbery.

Prosecutors did not ask Judge Deidre Dyer to detain either man, so she released them to await trial. However, court records show that Dyer issued a second order detaining Alcala-Arteaga for violating pretrial release in a pending stolen motor vehicle case.

Last month, prosecutors charged two migrants with robbing Lollapalooza concertgoers as the festival's crowds left Grant Park at night. The men, who were arrested hours

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CPS lacks system-wide gun violence prevention program for students

Average age of Chicagoans witnessing gun violence is 14 years old

BY BOB ZULEY

After the recent fatal shooting of 13 year old Ashawn Davis in an Edgewater apartment in August, this newspaper asked Chicago Public Schools [CPS] to furnish information on ongoing CPS gun violence education in its elementary schools. Surprisingly, CPS fell short in that it lacks a system-wide policy on gun violence education.

We also twice asked CPS CEO Pedro Martinez and Swift Speciality School Principal Margaret Alhasoon to furnish statements on the death of young Davis. Both were also asked to describe the CPS gun violence prevention efforts. Both declined to comment.

According to a 2023 study

from the Journal of the American Medical Assoc., half of Chicagoans will witness a shooting before they turn 40. And the average age of a Chicago resident witnessing firearm violence is 14 years.

At least 276 children aged 16 and younger have been shot in Chicago in the years of 2021-2022. Nearly eight people are shot each day in Chicago, and data analysis shows that in the last five years, more than 100 of them have been kids and teens within one-tenth of a mile of a school, according to a 2024 ABC7 (WLS) News report.

"From the deadly Senn High School shooting to the lunchtime attack on students on Wabash Ave. in Jan. 2024, CPD detectives are being faced with new questions about whether shooters carried newfangled firepower: if they had homemade guns, or were armed with illegally converted automatic weapons," according to WLS.

From the outsized role CPS plays in the lives of their students – often surpassing the time of length of daily parental contact – we asked CPS to furnish the description of gun violence prevention programming in its 476 elementary schools. Surprisingly, CPS has no system-wide policy.

Instead, Evan F. Moore, press secretary for CPS since 2021, responded with a bureaucratic non-response, stating "[CPS] prioritizes the safety and security of our students and staff. The Board voted to approve the Whole School Safety Framework Policy during the June 2024 board meeting."

"The goal of [the plan] is to provide schools with tools and curriculum for safety topics that

are prioritized at the local school community level. The District looks forward to collaborating with students, teachers, and staff members to inform the path forward."



Evan F. Moore

"Under the Whole Safety Plan, individual schools determine needed safety lessons, including gun safety. The policy will be phased in in a tiered approach that will be developed using input from community engagement, in partnership with the Whole School Safety Steering Committee."

"The Office of Safety and Security will determine which schools are targeted for the first year after conducting a baseline assessment ensuring that decisions align with the District's Equity Framework."

Illinois law now suggests – not mandates – that school districts add gun safety storage into their home safety curriculum. So while they teach sex education and drivers education in schools, the state doesn't mandate firearm violence safety programming.

Teaching firearm violence prevention in schools may be more difficult than it appears. A 2018 study from Rutgers Univ. School of Nursing suggests that children do not retain safety skills when encountering a firearm in a real-world scenario.

Researchers found such pro-

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Blue Man Autism-fundraiser show Sept. 15

In honor of Autism Acceptance Month, Blue Man Group will host its annual sensory-friendly performance 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 15, at 3133 N. Halsted St.

Slight modifications will be made to the performance to create a sensory-friendly show that better accommodates individuals

and families affected by autism. For every ticket sold, a portion of sales will benefit Turning Pointe Autism Foundation. This sensory-friendly performance is full length at 90 minutes and is specially priced to be accessible to people and families with sensory sensitivities.

Premier League live fan festival Sept. 21-22 on lakefront

The Premier League live fan festival will highlight live action from Premier League matches and feature the Premier League Trophy, club mascots and many family-friendly interactive activities, 5 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22, in Lincoln Park at 72 W. LaSalle.

The free, two-day event is be-

ing supported NBC Sports, and the Chicago Sports Commission. NBC Sports will broadcast live from picturesque Lincoln Park throughout the weekend on the shore of Lake Michigan, beginning at 7 a.m. One special guest will be Chelsea captain Gary Cahill, who won the Premier League title twice.

Wrightwood 659 to house new fall exhibit

This fall, Wrightwood 659 hosts “Four Nocturnes and Toxic Cloud” - two installations by distinguished artist and filmmaker John Akomfrah, whose work investigates memory, post-colonialism, temporality, and the experiences of migrant diasporas

globally. The exhibit will run from Sept. 27 through to Feb. 15, 2025, at 659 W. Wrightwood.

Four Nocturnes is a three-screen video installation which explores the complex relationship between humanity’s destruction of the natural world and its self-destruction. Using Africa’s declining elephant populations as its narrative spine, Four Nocturnes is a meditation on mortality, loss, fragmented identity, mythology, and memory through poetic visuals that survey the landscape of African cultural heritage.

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SKITTLES from p. 2

Saturday’s Celestial Bash. The event is the planetarium’s biggest fundraising event of the year. Retiring after 45 years, we still miss seeing Tom on the evening WGN news. Skilling inspired millions to look up and engage with the sky. Meteorology and astronomy are closely linked sciences—helping others learn about the earth and the universe beyond. Fun fact, Tom taught a meteorology class at the Adler in the 1980s.

TRANSITION: A residential addition to a historic Lincoln Park Church, 2700 N. Pine Grove, is underway in the former 2nd Church Christ Science designed by Solon S. Berman. The 1901 church will see three of its exterior facades, in the Beaux-Arts style, preserved as redevelopment pairs a new space for the congregation with residential units.

FLAIR: The Service Club’s Sherry, Sheree and Sherrill invite you to “Flair” Fashion Show and Luncheon on Friday, Sept. 13, presented by The Chicago Lighthouse at The Ritz-Carlton Chicago. **Shauna Montgomery** is 2024 Honoree. Program hosts: **Candace Jordan** and **Tracey Tarantino DiBuono**. Join in at Chicago’s only inclusive Fashion Show bringing together heart and fashion to support the children’s programs for the blind and visually impaired.

BORING PARTY: Gabriel Environmental Services is hosting their famous boring party Sept. 12 on Elston by the Salt Shed. The environmental firm throws a wing ding while showcasing epic Geoprobe soil boring demonstrations, drilling rigs, electric vehicles, laboratory tours raffles, prizes, funs and giveaways. Boring was never so much fun.

ALL HERS: Media Queen **Catherine Johns** enjoying her new front steps looking great, but bigger news is her house is all her’s having made her final mortgage payment.

SMALL: You won’t want to miss the second annual Tiny Fest in Northcenter. At Tiny Fest, they take everything that a typical street festival is known for, condense it into a block long space, and make it tiny themed, Sept. 21 and 22.

THE VOICE: Sept. 13 marks the first year of **Ron Rolland’s** passing. His kindness and generosity is well known among Ron’s circle of acquaintances. He was an accomplished and respected radio and TV voice actor. He was gifted with a rich, resonant voice you heard on channel 7 news for almost 20 years, when he said “Tonight at 10” and “The 10 o’clock news.” A Chicagoan all his life. He is greatly missed.

WHO’S WHERE: **Ken and May Claire Scorsone Moll** and their family saying farewell to summer and their holiday in Villasimius, Sardegna, Italia, Buon Ferragosto... Former #1 in the States Attorney’s Office, **Dan Kirk**, one of the the really good guys, at Bagatelle in St. Tropez with **Anne Hamilton**, **Kimmy Nicole** and **Melia Renee** in the South of France... Forced family fun was a great way to spend Labor Day weekend for **John Dombrowski**, **Victoria Dal Santo** and **Cristina Dombrowski** with cousin **Parker**, Uncle **Kevin** and **Colleen Dal Santo Ryan** at Santa Catalina Island, CA... Radio attorney **Karen Conti** at the iconic Duck Inn Supper Club in Delavan, Wisconsin with owner **Jeff**, WGN host **David Plier**, and the lovely **Erica McDonald**. Relish tray, anyone?... **Peter Q. Thompson** and son, **Billy Thompson**, in rainy Tokyo seeing all the sights as Billy begins his semester of internship in nearby Shanghai... **Dave and Carolyn Richter** at Arthur Ash Stadium at the U.S. Open in New York sipping their first yummy Honey Deuce tournament cocktail... Deep sympathies to media man **Mike Houlihan** on the death of his big brother, **Paul Houli-**

han, God rest his lovely soul, he’ll be missed... **Mark Olley** and **Sherry Lea Fox** on Fred’s Patio both looking chic... **Brian White** and **Jim Kinney** had a charming summer-breezy Lake Shore Dr. roof top BBQ with guests, **Melissa Babcock** and **Liz Sharp**... **Julia Jacob’s** son, **Draedyn**, left for studies abroad in Spain, adventure and great food ahead, adios... **Dr. Rose Gomez** visiting the Swiss capitol of Berne... Remembering Captain **Bill Pinkney** on the first anniversary of his death, PAX... Sending happy birthday wishes to young **Dan Gibbons** CEO at the City Club, a familiar face on the City Hall’s 5th floor when I was writing on 3rd floor... And to **Pennie Taylor** on her fresh year, always encouraged by her bestie **Eamonn Cummins**... Committeeman **Tim Egan**, [2nd], just sent his son, **Wedge Egan**, off to Junior year at Univ. College Dublin. Can’t wait to visit their second favorite city soon... **Rhonda J Liesenfelt** is in Paris at the Castille Hotel... Judge (ret.) **Rhoda Sweeney** and husband, **Sam Drucker** enjoying lunch at Ralph Lauren Bar & Grill... Arrivederci, **Maggie Junkins** off to study at Loyola Rome... Belated birthday wishes to **Libby Lamb Lucas**... **Shaun Rajah** at Lake Maggiore, in Northern Italy, consulting on a wedding... **Landon Heck** is one of five Chicago magic realtors out of 14,000 for distinguished accomplishments and soon to be shown on HGTV... Condolences to **Michael Harring** on the death of his mom, dear **Helen Jane Harring**, at 98... Evening on Astor, my old ‘hood,’ once again staged Chicago’s most elegant A-list block party “Boaters & Bubbly.”

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Rendezvous Arts bringing people together



Entering its fifth season, Rendezvous Arts offers a seven-concert series, repeating each event at distinct venues in Ravenswood, Lake Forest, and Dixon, IL. Their next event is this coming Saturday.

Interdisciplinary arts events thrive with varied takes on Chamber Music

BY JANE LAWICKI

While most artists still struggle post-pandemic, Rendezvous Arts now thrives by bringing people together with intimate music, visual artists, and interactive discussion.

Entering its fifth season, the group offers a seven-concert series, repeating each event at distinct venues in Ravenswood, Lake Forest, and Dixon. A sampling of their varied music and musicians can be heard Sept. 14-15 at the Ravenswood ArtsWalk, hosted by the Greater Ravenswood Chamber of Commerce.

Regular season concerts will be held at Artifact Events, 4325 N. Ravenswood Ave.

“It’s seven very different concerts per season,” explains Deb Stevenson, a professional oboist for 38 years and the group’s founder. “We focus on as many styles and time periods as possible.”

Stevenson adds that every concert includes visual artists. At the end of the event, a post-concert reception is held where musicians, artists, and audience members mingle.

“At a typical concert, the audience goes out the front door and musicians go out the back and never the two meet,” Stevenson says. “But our concerts are designed to be gratifying and educational.” Noting the intriguing details of a harpsichord, for example, she adds, “The more we teach people one-on-one, the more they are hungry to learn.”

Andersonville resident Beth Kljajic, a regular attendee, enjoys talking with the artists and the two-for-one season tickets. She recalls conversations with a dress maker from Amsterdam, some famous jazz musicians, and that Irish music is done in a different key than most western music.

“You meet and greet both the musicians and the artists,” Kljajic explains. “Some artists do artwork as they attend. You learn about music, bond with your neighbors, it’s almost like a salon.”

First violinist for the critically acclaimed Kontras Quartet, Eleanor Bartsch joined Rendezvous Arts’ 2022-23 season. The event included a painter who did beautiful artwork while the quartet performed.

“Being inspired by the mu-

sic we were playing, [the painter showed] true interdisciplinary connections and collaborations - real artists in real time together, to beautiful effect,” says Bartsch.

Rendezvous Arts was founded in dire times for the arts and artists, just as the government-imposed pandemic lockdown silenced live music and many musicians lost work.

“Sadly, the Lake Forest Symphony fell on hard times financially and disbanded in March 2020,” Stevenson shared. “The morning COVID hit, 63 musicians just lost their jobs.”

As chair of the players at that time, Stevenson recalled a special event in Albuquerque that weaves together new and traditional classic music in an unconventional,

Rendezvous Arts at the Ravenswood ArtWalk

Hosted by the Greater Ravenswood Chamber of Commerce

Saturday, Sept. 14:

- 11:00 - 1:00: *Fiddle in the Middle (traditional Irish instrumentalists)*
- 1:30 - 3:30: *Grammy Award winning Jazz Bass player Christian Dillingham with Quin Kirchner and Matt Gold*
- 4:00 - 6:00: *Jonas Friddle and Andrew Wilkins Bluegrass Duo*

Sunday, Sept. 15

- 11:00 - 1:00: *Paul Ross and Pan Go Steel (steel drum trio)*
- 1:30 - 3:30: *Apasionado Duo - Emi Tanabe, violin and Gabriel Dactu, guitar*
- 4:00 - 6:00: *James Sanders and Conjunto Latin Jazz Ensemble*

intimate venue and encourages musicians and audience engagement.

“They filled 250 seats, 50 Sundays a year in a cool warehouse space,” Stevenson explains. “They have different music, musicians, and visual artists every week. Artists sketch during rehearsals and audience members can buy the sketches at the event.”

Recognizing the Symphony was

not going to survive, Deb asked to keep the Chamber Series. Together, she and her colleagues formed a board, pulled resources, secured a small business loan and 501 c3 status and within six weeks, Rendezvous Arts was born.

Their first season was limited to 30 people at the Gorton Center in Lake Forest. In October, the group made the decision to go virtual and through professional audio producers developed their own Patreon channel which continues with events and musician and artist interviews.

Mosaic street artist, Jim Bachor, popularly known as Chicago’s “pothole” artist, has done an interview on Rendezvous Arts’ Patreon Channel as well as one of their live events. With his modern take on the ancient art form, he says it’s always interesting to interact with people and get people’s reaction to what he does.

“You’ll be successful if you’re passionate about what you do,” says Bachor. “These [musicians] are really passionate about what they do, it’s a passionate tribe. It’s really cool to interact with them, fun to sit back and watch it all come together.”

Rendezvous Arts is dedicated to reshaping artistic expression, cultivating community, nurturing talent, and spreading the joys of music and art throughout greater Chicago. Offering disparate types of chamber music and visual artists, events appeal to jazz lovers, string quartet aficionados, brass addicts, guitar geeks, lovers of woodwinds, and more.

Visual artists range from professional hat makers to photographers, printmakers, and watercolorists. Rendezvous supports and employs Chicagoland’s finest musicians and visual artists.

“It’s not chamber music, it’s not classical chamber music, baroque music. It may be that, but it’s always beautiful,” says season ticket holder Besty Shepherd. Noting musicians can play guitar, strings, woodwinds and concerts are never repeated.

“It’s a real mix of people of all ages in the audience, the artists and musicians are multi-generational... It’s just a great way to spend a Sunday afternoon,” Shepherd says. “You can take anyone - you could take your Mom, your daughter. The first time I took my husband, he said, ‘They’re so good - top notch musicians.’”

For more information and a season schedule, visit <https://www.rendezvousarts.org>.



Sit awhile

Hidden away in a secluded corner of Polk Park adjacent Navy Pier is a new public artwork dedicated to Lorraine Hansberry, the first black playwright to be produced on Broadway with her 1959 play, *A Raisin in The Sun*.

“Never be afraid to sit awhile and think” is the title of the artwork and also an iconic line from the play.

It is a gift from The Lillies, an organization dedicated to women in the theater. Lorraine is waiting for your visit.

Photo by Jim Matusik

Sculpture exhibit to host open house Sept. 26

The Chicago Sculpture Exhibit [CSE] is hosting a public open house at Rockwell on the River, 3057 N. Rockwell, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26.

CSE is an artists coalition that helps people connect with opportunities including calls for artists, jobs, grants, and art advising.

The Lincoln Park Community Art Initiative was founded by former Ald. Vi Daley in 2001, and eight public sculptures were prominently displayed throughout Lincoln Park. The program was transformed into the CSE where for the past 24 years, this program has pursued its mission to install large-scale sculptures in neighborhoods throughout the city. Next year they celebrate our 25th Anniversary of the CSE established the Richard Hunt Award, named in honor of Chicago native and world-renowned sculptor, Richard J. Hunt.

The award comes with financial support to an emerging or mid-career Chicagoland sculptors for a new artwork that will be sited at a prominent location in the city.

Through this award, CSE opens the door to artists who otherwise may not have the resources to produce large-scale public art. The award is part of CSE’s mission to encourage a broader range of artists to design and fabricate large-scale public sculpture.

The financial provision for the production of the work is \$10,000, 80% provided for the planning and/or creation of the artist’s work and 20% dispersed upon installation.

The selected artist must transport their sculpture to and from the site, but CSE will assist with on-site installation and costs of physically mounting the work. The sculpture will remain on display for two years.

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POLICE BEAT *from p. 6*

apart, are not accused of working together.

Edinson Yanez, 23, allegedly committed three robberies, including one that left the victim with broken ribs, after Lollapalooza ended Sunday night, August 4. Around 11 p.m., Yanez allegedly plowed an electric scooter into a 26-year-old suburban man and stole the victim’s gold chain at 55 E. Jackson. Prosecutors said Yanez bit the man and beat him with the scooter, breaking two ribs.

While the police were speaking with the victim, they learned that other CPD officers had detained a suspect who allegedly robbed two other men in the 300 block of S. Dearborn, a police report said.

In that case, two men from suburban Atlanta, one 19 and the other 26, said Yanez grabbed one of them

by the shirt and took his phone and necklace. Yanez tried, but failed, to take a chain from the second man, according to prosecutors. Cops tracked the phone’s location to locate Yanez nearby.

All three victims identified him as the person responsible, according to the CPD report.

Judge Susana Ortiz detained Yanez as a safety risk, saying he was already on pretrial release for a domestic violence case. She pointed to the “severely injured” victim who was beaten with a scooter and the randomness of the attacks on concertgoers as reasons she decided to keep him in jail.

He is charged with armed robbery, robbery, attempted robbery, and aggravated battery causing great bodily harm.

Also charged in connection with a Lollapalooza robbery was 33-year-old

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Kent Minaya Munoz. Prosecutors said a 32-year-old man told police that he chased after someone who snatched his chain in the 300 block of S. Dearborn, but other people intervened and held him down so he could not continue the pursuit.

The victim described one of the people who held him down, and the police took him for a ride to see if they could spot the man, according to a CPD report. When they arrived at the corner of Plymouth and Van Buren, the victim spotted Munoz on the sidewalk wearing the clothes he had described, the report said.

He was charged with attempted robbery.

Burglars hit Lakeview Lululemon, Streeterville convenience store

Smash-and-grab burglars raided a Lululemon store in Lakeview on Sept. 5 and another burglary team tried to take an ATM from a Streeterville convenience store a short time later, according to reports from Chicago police officers.

The break-ins occurred in two CPD districts experiencing double-digit increases in burglaries this year.

In Lakeview, four people broke into Lululemon, 3556 N. Southport, by smashing through the front door around 3:28 a.m. They took merchandise and escaped in a silver Audi Q3 that has been playing cat and mouse with cops on the North Side this week, an officer said. The crew keeps chang-



Smash-and-grab burglars raided Lululemon, 3556 N. Southport, on Sept. 5. Photo by Peter von Buol

ing the license plates on the car, making it more difficult for police to track them on the city’s network of license

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grams do not reduce the likelihood that children will handle guns when they are unsupervised, that boys are more likely than girls to ignore gun-safety rules and that few studies exist of gun-safety programs for children beyond the fourth grade.

Included in the findings from previous studies is that 85% of gun-owning parents did not practice safe gun storage and 72%

plate readers.

Then, just after 4 a.m., a group of people tried to take the ATM from a convenience store in the 200 block of W. Grand. They didn’t get the cash machine this time, but cops suspect they’re the same crew that did get an ATM from a business in the Gold Coast earlier this week.

Burglary reports are up 5% city-wide in 2024, but the pace is much quicker in CPD’s Near North 18th and Town Hall 19th Districts.

Break-ins are up 22% in Near North, bounded by the lake, the river, and Fullerton Ave. Town Hall, running between the lake and the river from Fullerton to Lawrence, is up 33%.

Burglaries are up sharply in Uptown and Lakeview. The increase is also fueled by a sharp rise in restaurant and bar break-ins.

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believed their young children could differentiate a toy gun from a real gun.

“Gun safety is essential,” according to Cheryl Holly, a professor at Rutgers School of Nursing. “Children in the U.S. have more access to guns than those in other developed countries, and because most unintentional shooting deaths by children occur in their homes or at the residence of a friend or relative.”



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O'CONNOR DECLARATION OF TRUST DATED OCTOBER 12, 2001, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR UNITED PACIFIC FUNDING CORP., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 23 CH 06772 1791 WEST ESTES AVENUE, UNIT D 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 January 11, 2024, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 4, 2024, 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 1791 WEST ESTES AVENUE, UNIT D, CHICAGO, IL 60626 Property Index No. 11-31-205-041-0000 The real estate is improved with a single family residence.	Real Estate For Sale The judgment amount was \$141,217.29. 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SHANNON AND JULIE FOX, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF DANIEL P SHANNON A/K/A D P SHANNON, DECEASED, Defendants. 22CH10749 600 N LAKE SHORE DR, UNIT 2509, 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 7/10/2024, an agent of Auction.com LLC will at 12:00 PM on 10/16/2024 located at at Auction.com, LLC, 100 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, IL 60602, sell at public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate. Commonly known as 600 N LAKE SHORE DR, UNIT 2509, CHICAGO, IL 60611 Property Index No. 17-10-208-020-1273 The real estate is improved with a Condominium. The judgment amount was \$477,888.19 Sale Terms: 20% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to Auction.com LLC, No third party checks will be accepted. All registered bidders need to provide a photo ID in order to bid. 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Attorney File No. 1665661 Case Number: 22CH10749 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. 040404 ----- IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING Plaintiff, -v- DIETMAR LANTZ, THE 401 EAST ONTARIO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants	Real Estate For Sale 24 CH 00362 401 E ONTARIO ST., UNIT 3010 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 June 26, 2024, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on September 27, 2024, 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 401 E ONTARIO ST., UNIT 3010, CHICAGO, IL 60611 Property Index No. 17-10-208-017-1117 The real estate is improved with a residential condominium. 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William St, DECATUR IL, 62523 217-422-1719 Fax #: 217-422-1754 E-Mail: CookPleadings@hsbattys.com Attorney File No. 1687214 Attorney Code. 40387 Case Number: 24 CH 00362 T.JSC#: 44-1726 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 # 24 CH 00362 13250774 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST Plaintiff, -v- EDMUNDO AGUILAR, CAROLINE VOZA AGUILAR, 448 WRIGHTWOOD MANOR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS	Real Estate For Sale Defendants 2023 CH 10263 450 WRIGHTWOOD #1 CHICAGO, IL 60614 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 21, 2024, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on September 23, 2024, 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 450 WRIGHTWOOD #1, CHICAGO, IL 60614 Property Index No. 14-28-309-034-1005 The real estate is improved with a condo/townhouse. 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CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE IL, 60527 630-794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-23-07361 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Attorney Code. 21762 Case Number: 2023 CH 10263 T.JSC#: 44-1931 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 # 2023 CH 10263 13250578 282828 -----
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ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE
SERVICING
Plaintiff,
-v-
CHARLES BUCKNER, THE METROPOLITAN
CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants
2024 CH 01225
5320 N SHERIDAN ROAD #1310
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 May 21, 2024, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 3, 2024, 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:
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Attorney ARDC No. 00468002
Attorney Code: 21762
Case Number: 2024 CH 01225
TJSC#: 44-1444
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Case # 2024 CH 01225
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN
LOANS, LLC

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Plaintiff,
-v-
JONATHAN MONTET, 3813 KENMORE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS
AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants
2023 CH 08423
3813 N. KENMORE AVENUE, UNIT #3S
CHICAGO, IL 60613
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Commonly known as 3813 N. KENMORE AVENUE, UNIT #3S, CHICAGO, IL 60613
Property Index No. 14-20-211-048-1005
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Garrett Popcorn celebrates 75 years with \$1.75 bag

Everyone loves a deal, and everyone loves popcorn, so here’s your chance to get a deal on some of Chicago’s most popular pop corn.

As a part of their 75th anniversary, Garrett Popcorn is selling bags of the tasty treat for only \$1.75 per bag of their flavors, available now through Sept. 22 as part of a special promotion.

Between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, popcorn fans can pop into any Garrett shop to purchase a small bag of CaramelCrisp, CheeseCorn and the Garrett Mix, a blend of those two, for just \$1.75, according to a news release from the company. The offer is limited to one bag per person per transaction.

The celebration continues next week when Garrett will offer a Classic Tin filled with any signature recipe for \$19.49 in its shops.

Locations include 26 W. Randolph, 4 E. Madison St., and 835 N. Michigan Ave.

Both promotions aim to thank loyal customers while introducing new fans to Garrett’s handcrafted, small-batch popcorn.

Garrett Popcorn Shop opened in 1949 at 10 W. Madison St. in Chicago. Founder Gladys Otto Garrett developed the original recipes in her home kitchen, and those same recipes continue to be used today, featuring real ingredients and traditional cooking methods.

Over the years, Garrett has opened more than 50 locations worldwide.

Take a walk on the wild side

Who wants to walk on water? That would be wild, no?

Well the Wild Mile on the East Bank of the Chicago River south of North Ave. may get a bit wilder with the addition of new walking spaces right on top of the river.

The floating riverfront park has just announced plans to expand as part of a multi-year project that will convert a full mile of riverfront into a walkable and biodiverse green space.

This second phase is expected to open to the public today and tomorrow.

(The first phase of The Wild Mile was completed in 2022 and sits behind the Lincoln Park REI store, 905 W. Eastman St.)

A group of volunteers with Urban Rivers, the nonprofit entity that works to transform city rivers into urban sanctuaries, have installed new floating walkways and garden beds and hauled in over 30,000 pounds of rock aggregate to bring to life the second phase of the Wild Mile.

The effort takes a wildlife-first approach to public green space. Combining ADA-accessible boardwalks with floating artificial habitats, the Wild Mile remains open to the public 24-7, and is used as a space for recreation, education, research, community gatherings, and more.

The habitats mimic a natural wetland ecosystem - one that might have been found in the Chicago area long before the city was developed. Today, the eco-park has made this stretch of the Chicago River a renewed home for beavers, herons, snapping turtles, bait fish and freshwater mussels, all who once lived on the river



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before industrialization took over.

The root system provides habitat for young fish and other small river species. It also serves as giant water filter, as wetland plants are known to sequester pollutants such as heavy metals.

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Urban Rivers runs restoration projects for endangered freshwater mussels, which are no longer able to survive in urban stretches of river due to the unfavorable conditions of the post-industrial river floor. These mussels play a crucial role in the local ecosystem, and filter up to 10 gallons of water per day.

The walking paths are on top of pontoon-based platforms built to last. Populated by wetland species native to Illinois, the gardens allow plant roots to grow through the physical framework, directly into the river.

Anchored to both the river floor and the seawall, the Wild Mile can move up and down as the water level changes. The Wild Mile has stayed put through dramatic flooding, even when the river has risen above the seawalls.

The Wild Mile has largely been funded through city grants, donations and partnerships with organizations like the Shedd Aquarium and, most recently, the Chicago Architecture Center.

Chicago storytelling at Newberry Library

North Siders may celebrate the power of storytelling and 2024 Pattis Award recipient Thomas Leslie at a free event at Newberry Library, 60 W. Walton St., 1:30 p.m. Sept. 14.

This program will be held in-person at the Newberry and livestreamed on Zoom. The online version of this event will be live captioned. Registration for the in-person program is is not required. Registration in advance is required for

the livestream. Chicago journalist Rick Kogan will be emcee.

The event will also include a performance by the Joel Hall Dancers.

At 3 p.m., the 2024 Pattis Book Award will be presented to Leslie for his new book, “Chicago Skyscrapers, 1934-1986: How Technology, Politics, Finance, and Race Reshaped the City.” Two free Newberry exhibitions will be on view during Chicago Storytelling.

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backing a plan to provide more than \$151 million in public subsidies for the conversion of unwanted office space on and around LaSalle St. into more than 1,000 apartments, 30% of which would have affordable, below-market rents. Developers are eyeing similar projects in other parts of downtown, including on the Mag Mile shopping district.

The office tower at 2 N. LaSalle sold for \$152.7 million to Harbor Group in 2007, just before an economic crisis and a plunge in real estate values.

Fortress and Hearn later took a controlling stake in the tower by providing Harbor Group with a \$42 million investment toward leasing costs and other improvements to help Harbor Group avoid defaulting on its approximately \$127.4 million CMBS loan, Crain’s Chicago Business has previously reported.

Because of unpaid interest and other fees, the balance on the matured loan is now more than \$137.8 million. That is far more than the building is now worth today, according to people familiar with the property.



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- 2:45PM Arnica Montana
- 4:00PM wht.rbbt.obj
- 5:30PM Midnight Sun
- 7:30PM Old Shoe
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- 12:00PM ... Dr. Murphy’s Band
- 1:30PM The Half Brits
- 3:00PM..... Fresh Hops
- 4:30PM..... Impulsive Hearts
- 6:00PM..... Screeners

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