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— Queen Elizabeth II

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## Despite city rules, permit issued for reduction of SRO units at 2653 N. Clark

A new seven-story building that will soon grow to cast a morning shadow over Clark St. in Lincoln Park is the big project behind the small project everyone hopes you'll focus on, over the loss of 34 affordable Single Room Occupancy [SRO] units.

The loss of those 34 units seems to be in direct conflict with current city ordinance regulating the preservation of SRO's.

The market-rate residential building at 537 W. Drummond Pl. will stand 80-feet tall and bring 84 new market-rate units to east Lincoln Park. It is part of the deal by Drummond Development that includes the Covent Hotel redevelopment, 2653 N. Clark St. The new building will replace the parking lot behind the Covent Hotel, directly to the west.

The new building will tower over the Covent Hotel, the rehab of which is being undertaken by a collaboration with The NHP Foundation. The residential hotel was originally built in 1906, and



Despite city regulations against reducing SRO units on the North Side, the Covent conversion in Lincoln Park will see its 64 SRO units renovated and reduced to 30 small affordable studio apartments.

was in need of a rehab.

The Covent conversion will see its 64 SRO units renovated and reduced to 30 small affordable studio apartments, with 4,700 square feet of retail space and a new residential lobby. Those 30 units will be earmarked for tenants making between 30% and 50% of Lincoln Park's Area Median Income of \$100,000.

But in 2015, the City Council determined that SRO buildings

and residential hotels were an essential component of the City's affordable housing stock, and that these forms of housing "are increasingly scarce due to sales and other market forces." So the City saw a vital interest in maintaining existing affordable housing by discouraging the conversion and demolition of SROs and residential hotels, as is happening now at

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## DePaul Prep falls to St. Viator 42-21

BY JACK LYDON

DePaul Prep Rams fell to the St. Viator Lions on Sept. 9, 42-21. The Rams came up short in this back-and-forth chess match after giving up three fourth quarter touchdowns.

St. Viator jumped out to an early first quarter lead on the strength of a one-yard touchdown run up the middle by St. Viator senior running back Jake VanBooven, and a 33-yard touchdown reception by senior wide receiver Michael Nix.

"Michael Nix is a very special receiver. He is a great young man. He loves football. He is really talented," said St. Viator head coach David Archibald.

"He is incredible at 50/50 balls. When you have what would normally be a 50/50 ball in space, [with Nix] it's 70/30. He has Butler and Drake offers so far but he is on the MAC and FSC [scholarship] radar as well."

The Rams struggled to get anything going on the ground in the first half. Clearly, St. Viator came into the game planning to stop the Rams running game led by junior running back Titus Bautista.



St. Viator's senior wide receiver Michael Nix catches a pass between two DePaul Prep defenders in 42-21 victory of DePaul Prep.

So the Rams took to the air moving down the field. With 5:46 left in the second quarter, DePaul Prep's Nick Martinez scored on an impressive 36-yard touchdown strike from Ram's sophomore quarterback Fernando "JuJu" Rodriguez making the score 14-7.

"Rodriguez made some great throws tonight. He's a sophomore and I was very impressed with how he was able to sling the ball into some tight windows," Archibald said of Rodriguez after the

game.

"Some of those balls he threw we were pretty close to, but to his credit, he was finding the windows."

Then St. Viator answered quickly. A long kickoff return by Lions sophomore Dayvion Ellis set up the Lions in Rams territory. A 32-yard pass to Nix and another short touchdown run by VanBooven restored the Lions

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Chicago sits in the middle of one of the busiest areas for bird migration. Birds use the stars to point them in the right direction. That means the problem is worse at night, when tall skyscrapers are lit up all night – that confuses and disorients the birds. And they crash into the buildings.

Image courtesy of Take Action for Wildlife Conservation

## High-rise residents need to turn off lights after 11 p.m. during bird migration season

North Side high-rise dwellers can give the birds a break by turning off the lights at night. Doing so may save a bird's life...

As birds begin to migrate through Chicago on their way south, the Chicago Audubon Society [CAS] are asking residents to do their part to help protect them.

Since 2000, the managers of many of Chicago's tall buildings have served as examples to the nation of how birds' lives can be saved. Chicago's Lights Out program is the first in the nation.

As part of the "Lights Out Chicago" campaign, residents in tall buildings are asked to turn off their lights or draw their blinds after 11 p.m. during the migration season, which runs now through November.

Tenants on the upper floors are encouraged to turn out lights or draw blinds after 11 p.m. These recommendations apply to all buildings of 40 or more stories and to buildings of 20 or more stories that are isolated from oth-

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## You're all fired!

**Victory Gardens board cans remainder of staff, ends in-house productions**

It went from bad to worse at Victory Gardens Theater last week, when everyone left on staff was fired. The mass dismissal came on the heels of an attempt by the radicalized staff to unionize the workers at the 47-year-old award-winning theater, located in the Biograph Theater at 2433 N. Lincoln Ave.

On Sept. 7, all remaining staff members were individually let go after meeting with new theater CEO Robert M. Hingsbergen. An earlier culling had left only eight staff on the payroll. Prior to the pandemic lockdown, the theater once employed 22 people.

The theater has also decided to transition away from producing its own shows, rather presenting the works of outside organizations.

The moves follow a number of bitter public online criticisms by staffers of the theatre's board of

directors on social media, as well as calls for the entire board's resignation.

Last week may have been the crescendo to the open battle that the Victory Gardens' staff had undertaken all summer-long, in publicly attacking and slandering the theater's board. Theater staffers made broadly derogatory accusations and generalizations, and maintained their standoff with the theatre's board of directors, before the remaining employees were fired. Then on Aug. 3 they filed a petition with the National Labor Relations Board to unionize, hoping to join in with the International Association of Theatrical Stage Employees Local 2. That appears to have been the final straw.

According to Playbill, the theatre's entire cohort of resident artists resigned in August citing allegations of racism, financial malfeasance, toxicity and a lack of transparency regarding continued

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Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, and Prince Philip visited Chicago in 1959 and it was gigantic news, with a parade and dinner at the Ambassador West Hotel to mark the occasion. (Below) The Queen's Landing, located lakeside adjacent to Grant Park, was so named because The Royal Yacht Britannia landed there near Buckingham Fountain, filled up with the British Royals.

## Her Majesty engaged Prairie citizens with dignity and genuine ease



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

Shakespeare's poetic job description for Britain's monarch said it all. "This royal throne of kings, this scepter'd isle, this earth of majesty, this seat of Mars, this other Eden, demi-Paradise."

I was ten years old when all the commotion arose about a royal visit to Chicago. The Royal Yacht Britannia landing along the lakeshore near Buckingham Fountain, after a journey from the Canadian opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway. That's what passed for space travel in the Eisenhower Era.

The St. Lawrence Seaway was supposed to revitalize the Great Lakes ports on both sides of the Canadian border with enhanced opportunities for connection to wider trade and travel.

It was a very positive step in the economy of the region.

A huge to-do was made of the opening of this enhanced expansion of the sea lanes. So big the Queen of England, herself, came

to cut the ribbon, as it were, on the endeavor.

Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, was then to go on a visitation of the region. With a Chi-Town stop on her schedule. This was gigantic news back in 1959. Mayor Richard J. Daley, Chicago's savvy chief executive, was smart enough to realize the big bucks that could come in the sea-traffic expansion. So he put aside any cosmetic Irish blarney and proved to be the ultimate American host to the Queen of England. That was a first, I believe, for any boy from the kingdom of Bridgeport.

Mayor Daley opened the Chicago festivities for the Queen that July 6th with expansive panoply. Real Chicago enthusiasm, the kind we reserve for a White Sox pennant or a bases-loaded Cubs victory at Wrigley. His Honor stood dockside when the Queen and Prince Philip disembarked from the Britannia. He was confident they'd be bowled over by the cityscape spread out before them. All the array of muscular skyscrapers that lined Grant Park.

He was certain that they would be speechless at the sight of the shimmering Prudential Building at Randolph Street, completed in 1955 and the talk of the town. Architect Stephen Wright had created Chicago's most famous modern design. Daley knew that



the bright young Queen would delight in the glamour of the Prudential's character. He had also been told that the prince was an architecture buff. So he knew he had a dangling carrot from the start to show-off to his royal dignitaries.

Crowds were pretty thick in Grant Park at the boat docking site. Britannia, the mayor saw, was a massive ocean liner. Probably the largest vessel to dock along Chicago's Lake Michigan shoreline, ever. It's no wonder that the site has been officially designated as "Queen's Landing" ever since. Honoring both the vessel and the monarch.

Daley was amazed upon greeting them that they were so young. Elizabeth II had only been Queen for six years. In true Daley fashion, when meeting this young mother, he immediately felt a sense of fatherly protection. One

that his wife, First Lady Eleanor "Sis" Daley totally agreed with.

The mayor was welcoming in his greeting. Thrilled that the streets were bursting at the seams with cheers for the Royal motorcade. Flags flew from everywhere in a display of festive bravado usually reserved for St. Patrick's Day. He was glad that Col. Jacob Arvey, his chief delegate for city spectacles, had managed to pack the streets with cheering Chicagoans, giving the Royals a legit taste of Chicago affection.

The mayor was proud that Queen Elizabeth was the very first British monarch to visit Chicago. And that Chicago was the only American city on the Royal tour schedule of some 15,000 miles. What turned out to be a 45 day-journey for the couple to all the Canadian provinces and four of the Great Lakes.

Their visit began at Navy Pier for an International Trade Show, followed by a roast lamb and duck lunch at the Ambassador West Hotel for some 400 folk. All the wait staff were in knee britches. The queen ate off solid gold cutlery, with a satin pillow at her feet. And tossed an American quarter in a fountain for good luck.

Later, Her Majesty saw color TV for the first time at the Museum of Science and Industry. Followed by a visit to the the Art Institute of Chicago and a tour by

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# Oh, the places you'll go!



**Heart of the 'Hood**  
by Felicia Dechter

Lincoln Parker Alan Gabbay sure does get around.

The 69-year-old retired financial attorney really made the best of a bad situation, namely the pandemic. Gabbay used his isolation time to get to know places in his own backyard, amazing sites that he discovered after 40 years of living in Chicago.

For those of you looking to get your outdoor adventure fix in before winter hits, check out the cool website Gabbay put together, "50 Public Sites in 50 Miles - Chicago and Beyond!"

"I always connected with nature, but I never realized there were so many places in the Chicago area," said Gabbay, who felt that these sites were safe for socializing with friends during COVID. "I just want people to know there are really beautiful places to visit without going too far."

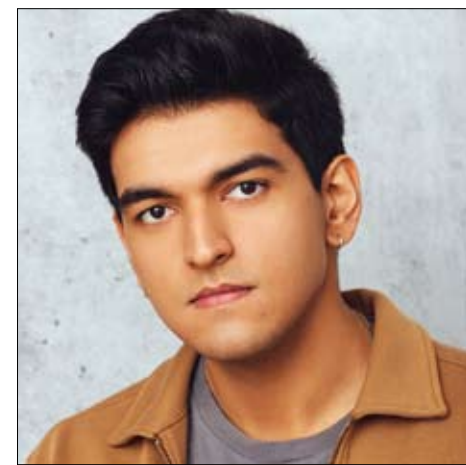
What's great about Gabbay's website, besides the fact that it's free, is that he gets a lot of good info in but it's short and sweet so you're not trying to muddle through a whole bunch of information. You can look things up by activity, ability, distance, interest and it's very easy to navigate. There's an alphabetical list of all destinations and whether you're seeking accessibility, bird watching, boating and camping or ice skating etc., you can find what you're looking for. He also includes pictures.

Did you know that Busse Woods has an elk pasture? I didn't.

Or have you ever gone down to the Columbia Basin and Japanese Garden in Jackson Park at springtime to see the cherry blossoms? I haven't, and I'm originally from the South Side! But I will next



(L) Lincoln Parker Alan Gabbay after walking 60 miles over several days on the Des Plaines River Trail. (R) Edgewater resident Ruchir Khazanchi. Photo by Ian McLaren



spring. Gabbay not only tells you how to get there and what there is to do at each destination, but he also includes fun facts and suggests nearby places to munch, which he listed to show his appreciation that these eateries stayed open during the pandemic.

Whistle Stop Cafe in Fox Lake has the best potato pancakes he's ever eaten, he said. And hit Balkan Bakery in LaGrange for outstanding cheese or meat burek if you should head that way.

Many of the sites -- which are federal, state, county and city public lands -- were new to Gabbay, recommended by friends or found on the Internet. His favorites in Lake County are Independence Grove and Half Day Forest Preserve. And you're certain to catch a glimpse of a deer or two if you head to the city's North Branch Trail early in the morning, he said.

He was surprised by the beauty right at his doorstep. "I just want people to know there are really beautiful places to visit without going too far," he said. "I've lived in the Chicago area for nearly 40 years, and I didn't know how many remarkable places are so close to home. I hope this site encourages others to get out and enjoy the beauty around us. A lot of people think of

the Chicago Metro area as flat and uninteresting geographically, I assure you they are wrong."

"You'll find a place near you open 365 days a year," added Gabbay. "Virtually none of them charge admission. Find a place to eat nearby and you'll have a good time."

**If I were a rich man...** I'd buy all my readers tickets to see Lyric Opera's "Fiddler on the Roof." The always-great "Fiddler," opens Saturday and runs through Oct. 7 at the Civic Opera House, 20 N. Wacker Dr.

Edgewater resident Ruchir Khazanchi is, among his many other talents, an actor and singer, and an understudy in "Fiddler." Hopefully the Edgewater resident will get to show off some of his genius.


Khazanchi has been diligently preparing, just in case, for the role of Perchik, the revolutionary love interest of Hodel, the second of Tevye's three daughters.

He's "excited" to be working with Lyric for the first time and "it's the most intensive understudy process I've ever had. But it's cool to sit in on every rehearsal," said the 23-year-old Khazanchi, who originally hails from Omaha but came here to attend Northwestern Univ., which he graduated from last year with concentrations in theater, musical theater and screen acting.

"Being able to work with artists of this caliber is special," said Khazanchi, who has already picked up a few impressive awards for his own various accomplishments in acting and songwriting, including a third prize for "A Bridge to the Moon," his original musical. "This is not just local, there are people coming in from all over the world to work on this."

"It's really special to have so many people -- the range of skills and talent from

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# With rates on the rise, home buyers should consider ARM



## The Home Front

by Don DeBat

The rapid escalation of mortgage interest rates over the past few months has left thousands of young Chicago home buyers wondering if they ever will experience the American Dream of homeownership.

On Sept. 8, Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey reported that benchmark 30-year-fixed home loans nationwide rose to an average of 5.89%, up from 5.66%, and only an eyelash away from the lofty 6% level. A year ago, a 30-year-fixed loan averaged only 2.88%.

However, there is another road to homeownership—the afford-

able adjustable-rate mortgage [ARM].

Freddie Mac also reported on Sept. 8 that borrowers who choose a 5-year Treasury-indexed hybrid ARM could lock in a mortgage with an average interest rate of only 4.64%. That's a hefty savings of 1.25%, cutting hundreds of dollars off of the monthly payment.

"Home buyers navigating the current environment are coping in a variety of ways, including switching to adjustable-rate mortgages," noted Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

An ARM typically starts with a fixed interest rate for a set period of time, and then adjusts at intervals. ARMs come in different options in which the interest rate is set for three, five, seven or 10 years.

After the initial fixed-rate period, the rate can adjust in six-month or 12-month intervals depending on market conditions. The adjustments are based on an

index, such as Treasury yields, and the lender's profit margin also is tacked on.

If a home buyer takes out a five-year ARM, the interest rate is locked for that initial period. After five years, the rate can adjust with the index rate every year thereafter.

ARMs are a roll of the dice. Consumer advocates say borrowers should worry that interest rates may go up over time, and that would mean payments could increase, or negative amortization could occur, causing the loan balance to grow. However, rates also can go down over time. At that time, it might be a good idea to refinance and lock in a fixed-rate loan.

Experts say that if you are likely to move in five to seven years, and the residence you are looking to buy won't be your "forever home," an ARM may make a lot of sense.

"Not only are mortgage rates rising, but the dispersion of rates also has increased, meaning that

borrowers can benefit from shopping around for a better rate," Khater advised. "Our research indicates that borrowers could save an average of \$1,500 over the life of a loan by getting one additional

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rate quote and an average of about \$3,000 if they get five quotes."

On September 9th, Guaranteed Rate was quoting 4.875% on a seven-year adjustable-rate mortgage with 20% down payment. "A borrower with a 740 FICO score could qualify for a loan amount of \$400,000 on a single-family home," said Jeremy Rose, mortgage broker at Chicago-based Guaranteed Rate.

### Affordable fixed loans available

Chicago-area borrowers who move quickly still have a faint chance to lock in the following bargain rates as of Sept. 9, reports RateSeeker.com.

- Mutual of Omaha was quoting 4.933% on 30-year loans with a 20% down payment and 4.375% on 15-year mortgages with a 5% down payment. Borrowers also will pay a \$850 loan fee, plus points, or 0.25% of the loan amount.

- First Savings Bank of Hegewisch was quoting 5.105% on 30-year loans and 4.450% on 15-year mortgages with 20% down payment and a \$615 loan fee.

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across the world -- at the same time having local actors," added Khazanchi, who gave a shout out to his fave neighborhood eatery, Edgewater Tacos. "It's a great experience -- I really value all of the people I've met so far."

Though he's only in his early 20s, Khazanchi has already played a multitude of other roles, including a French countess with a French accent, a Spelling Bee champ, a licensed driver and many more. On his resume, he lists a whole bunch of other things he has a flair for, including rapping.

"I've been blessed with a life where I've developed so many skills," said Khazanchi.

We sure hope that Khazanchi gets a "Miracle of Miracles," and gets to show those skills off at some point. We wish him and the entire "Fiddler" cast a successful and healthy run.

**Whimsy WHIM...** clocks and tchotchkes and drag shows, oh my!

So I finally checked out the unusual new bar that's opened its doors in Stage 773, the theater at 1225 W Belmont Ave. This summer WHIM, an immersive cocktail experience came to life in the space, which has been reimagined as a world where all art forms come together - paintings, music, sculpture, street art, and live performance.

There's the lobby of Second Chances, featuring an artistic ex-



All of the drag performers from the night.

plosion of creations (both big and small), which gives found objects a second chance as a one-of-a-kind piece of art. Kick back and relax in a leisurely area filled with all sorts of clocks. See a show in the Enchanted Forest, which has a small stage for live performances and a giant enchanted towering tree.

It was there that I recently saw a lively drag show, where a handful of interesting performers lip-synched and danced to tunes. I've only been to a couple of drag shows, but this one was different in that the entertainers danced around the room collecting dollar bills held out by audience mem-

bers. I had not seen that before, drags I've attended were only performances. But then again, I'm not a frequenter.

The show was definitely amateur but anytime somebody puts their heart and soul into performing and puts themselves out there on a stage like that I have to give them a lot of credit. And it wasn't strictly a LBGTQ crowd. There were several straight couples in the audience, of various cultures, and I was surprised to see straight men really letting loose.

The entertainers gave it their all though and I learned that one of them, Travis, was actually a Drag King, a woman transformed into a man. I had never heard of that before, only Drag Queens.

This is Phase One of the introduction to WHIM, which will reveal a larger experience in the coming months. For now, although I was a little sad to see a theater turned into a bar, I understand businesses gotta do what they gotta do to survive. And they did a unique job at least.

Good luck and we look forward to Phase Two.

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# In secretive juvenile courtrooms, violent crime victims may wonder if anyone is on their side

BY CWBCHICAGO  
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For victims of violent crimes in Chicago, the fight for justice doesn't end when police make an arrest. Some victims, particularly those facing their attackers in Cook County's secretive juvenile courts, may wonder who is looking out for them.

So it was with Casey, a Lakeview woman in her late 20s who was robbed at gunpoint by a crew of young offenders last November. With the help of a friend who now serves as her attorney, Casey tracked electronic money transfers, social media activity, and other clues that helped police bring charges against one of the robbers, a 17-year-old boy who was already on electronic monitoring.

It's not easy for the public to see what happens behind the closed doors of Cook County's juvenile courtroom doors. The defendants' identities are protected by law, and media coverage is allowed only with permission from high-ranking judges.

But in a detailed conversation with this reporter, Casey and her attorney provided their first-hand experiences with the system.

## 'There needs to be an adult in the room'

"It's far less formal than adult court," Casey's attorney noted. "Anyone who wants to speak can. [The accused robber's] mom can speak at any time... Every day, it was someone new speaking on his behalf."

And few, if any, questions are asked. For example, he said, "[the juvenile] claimed to have scored a perfect SAT score. And it kept coming up."

No matter how often the perfect SAT score was mentioned, no one ever asked for proof.

"There should be an adult in the room," her lawyer said.

"But the shenanigans from every player in the juvenile criminal justice system is just literally unbelievable," the attorney asserted.

He said the prosecutor who initially handled Casey's case was very good and responsive. But they weren't good about "knowing the rules and victim's rights and advocacy for the state of Illinois."

By the time the juvenile pleaded guilty this summer, Casey was dealing with her "fifth or sixth" prosecutor, he said.

## 'Mostly novice attorneys'

A former assistant state's attorney in Cook County said it is common for juvenile cases to be passed from one prosecutor to another.

"Five or six sounds like the extreme case," the ex-prosecutor said, "but two or three is very plausible... [the juvenile division has] around 20 mostly novice attorneys facing off against veteran public defenders, which is bad enough."

"When people leave [the state's attorney's office] in such high numbers, the divisions that are lower on the experience totem pole have to send people up" to replace them." And in the Cook County State's Attorney's Office, the juvenile division ranks low.

But that's not the case in the Law Office of the Cook County Public Defender, which provides defense attorneys for many teens, the ex-prosecutor said. There, seasoned defense attorneys, often highly-skilled trial lawyers, see juvenile work as a meaningful way to cap off their years of service.

The result is that the advocacy for crime victims is often left to a revolving door of young and inexperienced prosecutors who are easily out-lawyered by a stable of veteran defense attorneys.

"Young attorneys have to learn," Casey's lawyer acknowledged, "but the lack of advocacy in court is somewhat troubling. I'm trying to be polite."

In contrast, he said, the assistant public defender representing the alleged robber was "a 15-year veteran and good. Objecting to everything."

## Victim's rights

He spoke of several times when prosecutors refused to follow through on basic requests guaranteed under the state's Crime Victims and Witnesses Act.

In February, Casey asked to get her stolen phone back. The prosecutor refused.

"But the state law says it's mandatory to return property as expeditiously as possible," her lawyer claimed. Acting as Casey's advocate, he went to the judge directly.

"The judge says, 'Yes. Of course. That's the law,' and orders the [assistant state's attorney] to return the phone," he recalled.

"We're getting 'no' from the defense and the ASAs. The judge says 'yes.'"

As another example, he said every prosecutor who handled Casey's case refused to ask the court for restitution, another right that victims have by law.

"It's not an option. By law, she has a right to restitution. Why are these young ASAs telling victims they can't have the things they are entitled to?"

"Without an outside party pushing for something to happen, it doesn't happen."

## Probation

In May, the 17-year-old pleaded guilty to robbing Casey and her friend. He entered

his plea exactly one week after Dakotah Earley, 23, was shot and gravely wounded in Lincoln Park, allegedly by someone who is thought to be part of the same robbery crew.

"He goes home [after pleading] and hops live on Instagram with a gun and points it at the camera while smoking a joint," Casey's lawyer recalled. "He is posting more pictures with guns, the [EM] bracelet visible, in cars, outside smoking weed."

The attorney sent the Instagram material to CPD's tip line. The police did nothing, he said. So he turned to the prosecutor, the fifth to handle Casey's robbery.

"What can we do?" he remembered the prosecutor saying. "We're monitoring it. Maybe later."

Casey's lawyer filed a motion on her behalf with the juvenile court judge, who promptly asked why he brought the matter before the court instead of the state, he recalled. A supervising prosecutor subsequently contacted Casey's attorney, saying there was a "miscommunication."

In late June, the judge sentenced the teen to 24 months of probation for five armed robberies and a separate gun charge, according to Casey's lawyer.

"We were told this would be the sentence from the beginning and knew it was more than the likely outcome," he said, "but we had some hope given what we had previously brought to the court's attention... EM violations, continued drug [use], gun, gang activities which the court recognized."

The former prosecutor said probation is to be expected in Cook County's juvenile

system.

"Even when CPD and the attorneys do perfect work, judges almost invariably sentence the most violent minors to mere probation instead of any time behind bars," the former ASA said. Prosecutors in the juvenile system rarely even suggest confinement "lest the judge laugh them out of the courtroom."

On July 14, barely two weeks after sentencing, the 17-year-old was arrested again for a different matter, Casey's lawyer said. But, thanks largely to the secretive world of Cook County juvenile courts, information about exactly what happened is not available.

"It's tough to give victims constant bad news as the judges who turn their backs on victims make bad decision after bad decision, further endangering the most vulnerable communities," said the former prosecutor. "Detectives tell me half of carjackings are done by juveniles. And who is the line of defense? A bunch of second- and third-year prosecutors facing off against experienced attorneys, with judges bent on making egregious decisions at every turn."

"Because the proceedings are closed and confidential, these ideologue judges can, with impunity, release repeat violent kids, who are going to get themselves and others killed," the ex-prosecutor continued. "If we had robust media coverage, the public would be utterly shocked. We are not rehabilitating minors as we're supposed to.

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## Care For Real community celebration Sept. 18

Care for Real is inviting the community to their Second Annual Community Celebration 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18, at the Broadway Armory parking lot, 5917 N. Broadway.

Care For Real is a non-profit that provides food, clothing, referral, and additional services to aid health and well-being of low-income residents.

## Ask CTA events

The Chicago Transit Authority is hosting "Ask CTA" events at key North Side rail stops over the next month. At each event, CTA will have at least two CTA Senior Staff Members available to address customers' comments and feedback during between 7:30-9:30 a.m., and 4:30-6:30 p.m. rush hours.

They include: Sept. 14, Belmont Red Line; Sept. 15, Howard Red Line, and Sept. 21, at the Western Brown Line station.

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# Four months after being shot during Lincoln Park robbery, Dakota Earley goes home

BY CWBCHICAGO

Four long months after being viciously shot by an armed robber in Lincoln Park, Dakota Earley has finally made it home.

"It's been a long day and night, hell it's been a journey and God has made sure we can be here to tell the story. Dakota Earley is home," his mother, Joy Dobbs, said in a Sept. 9 tweet.

Dobbs previously said Earley expected to go home last month, but further medical treatments delayed those plans.

"He has been through so much and taking it all like a rock star," Dobbs said last month. "I said when this all began you would see God in all this. My son was not a full believer but God is so present in this moment."

Earley, 24, moved to Chicago

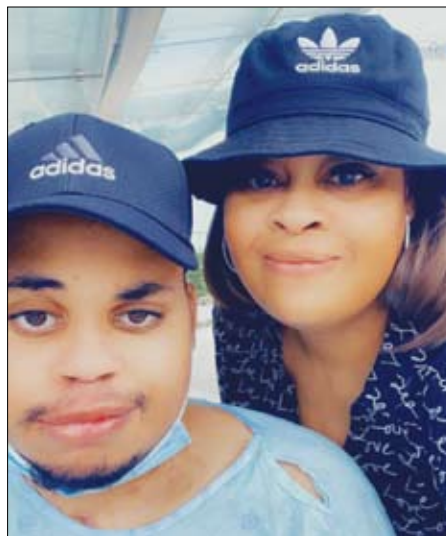
late last year to pursue a culinary job. He was walking home when an armed robber ambushed him at gunpoint on the corner of Wayne and Webster at 3:05 a.m. May 6.

A nearby surveillance camera recorded the confrontations as Earley and the gunman fell to the pavement. Then, the robber shot him repeatedly at close range while demanding the password to his phone.

Dobbs flew into town and has been with her son nearly non-stop.

In May, off life support for less than a week and with his jaw wired shut, Earley was shown pictures of six possible suspects by Chicago police detectives who visited him in the hospital.

Unable to speak and with part



Dakota Earley and his mother, Joy Dobbs.

of one leg amputated because of gunshot wounds, Earley circled the picture of 19-year-old Tyshon Brownlee and made a gun gesture with his hand, showing what

Brownlee did to him, prosecutors said. They charged Brownlee with attempted murder and robbery of Earley plus four other armed robberies in Lakeview and Lincoln Park during May.

We recently reported that Brownlee had been known to Chicago police detectives since November when two email addresses containing his name were linked to a string of violent robberies across the North Side.

Chicago cops spotted the robbery crew's vehicle at least five times between November and the assault on Earley, but officers broke off their engagement each time. One of those police terminations occurred about an hour before Earley was shot.

# Class action suit back on over whether City Hall wrongly steered cell phone tickets through admin hearings

BY SCOTT HOLLAND  
 Cook County Record

A state appeals panel has revived much of a lawsuit accusing the city of Chicago of violating the rights of people who sought to challenge distracted driving tickets by exclusively directing such complainants through an administrative review process.

In Aug. 2017, shortly after reaching a \$39 million settlement to end a class action over red-light camera tickets, Myron Cherry & Associates attorneys Myron M. Cherry, Jacie Zolna, Benjamin Swetland and Jessica Chavin filed a lawsuit in Cook County Circuit Court on behalf of several named plaintiffs ticketed between 2012 and 2014.

That complaint said the city, rather than giving ticketed motorists the chance to defend themselves in Cook County Circuit Court, funneled those cited through an administrative hearings system, allegedly depriving the accused of their rights under the law and allowing City Hall to collect significantly more money through the process. The plaintiffs didn't challenge the validity of their citations.

After Cook County Judge Pamela Meyerson granted summary judgment to the city in Aug. 2021, the plaintiffs appealed to the First

District Appellate Court, which issued its opinion Sept. 7.

On appeal, the plaintiffs argued Judge Meyerson incorrectly determined they lacked standing to sue. Judge Meyerson ruled their only legal injury was the fines paid for violating the cell phone

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ordinance. She said that injury arose from their conduct and not from the city's municipal procedures.

On appeal, the plaintiffs said the city's Dept. of Administrative Hearings lacked the jurisdiction to adjudicate the vehicle code violations the city claimed each driver committed.

The appellate panel called summary judgment "a drastic measure" and explained its broad powers to affirm such a ruling in favor of the city even if

Meyerson didn't address a specific legal strategy. However, the panel explained, the city's argument on appeal was that Meyerson was right to stop short of addressing whether cell phone tickets were properly handled in administrative hearings instead of circuit court.

"Acceptance of the city's position would violate a bedrock principle of law: that a court — or an agency, as in this case — can act only where it has the jurisdiction to do so," Reyes wrote. "For a court, this power is granted by our constitution; for an agency, it is granted by statute. Subject-matter jurisdiction is so important that it cannot be waived, and may be raised at any time. Indeed, courts have the affirmative obligation to consider subject-matter jurisdiction even where it is not raised by the parties. A lack of jurisdiction is fatal to a case — if jurisdiction is lacking, any subsequent judgment is rendered void and may be attacked collaterally."

The plaintiffs insisted they incurred a legal injury when the administrative hearings department entered void judgments against them. The panel said Meyerson's ruling effectively deprived them of their right to challenge those penalties, a finding Reyes described as "inconsistent with the fundamental importance of the issue."

With that position clear, the panel turned to the city's other arguments for affirming the

summary judgment. Among those were that city and state law allowed administrative hearings for cell phone tickets with regard to citations issued 2012. The panel said that position holds water because the Illinois Vehicle Code, until an amendment that took effect Jan. 1, 2014, was "substantially — and intentionally — narrower than the city ordinance," and affirmed summary judgment on those older tickets.

For the remaining tickets, the city argued summary judgment was appropriate because the plaintiffs ultimately paid the assessed fines. However, the appellate justices said, the plaintiffs argued those payments were not "voluntary" but made under duress of the city's power, a dispute the panel said couldn't be resolved through summary judgment.

The city also said the plaintiffs who admitted they violated the ordinance shouldn't be allowed to pursue damages based on how it adjudicated their citations. The panel disagreed, saying a plaintiff's request to have fines refunded doesn't constitute an attempt to take advantage of their own infractions.

"Plaintiffs are not seeking to be rewarded for violating the law," Reyes wrote. "Instead, they are seeking the return of money that they contend was unlawfully taken from them by an agency acting outside the scope of its authority."

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## **PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ADD SECTION 25 TO ARTICLE I OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION ARTICLE I — BILL OF RIGHTS**

### **SECTION 25. WORKERS' RIGHTS**

(a) Employees shall have the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing for the purpose of negotiating wages, hours, and working conditions, and to protect their economic welfare and safety at work. No law shall be passed that interferes with, negates, or diminishes the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively over their wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and work place safety, including any law or ordinance that prohibits the execution or application of agreements between employers and labor organizations that represent employees requiring membership in an organization as a condition of employment.

(b) The provisions of this Section are controlling over those of Section 6 of Article VII.

### **EXPLANATION**

The proposed amendment, which takes effect upon approval by the voters, adds Section 25 to the Bill of Rights Article of the Illinois Constitution. The new section will guarantee workers the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively and to negotiate safety conditions, wages, hours, working conditions, and economic welfare. The amendment prohibits the passage of any new law within the State that restricts or prohibits workers from engaging in collective bargaining with their employer over wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment, like safety protocols or training.

#### **Arguments In Favor of the Proposed Amendment**

This amendment will protect workers' and others' safety. That includes guaranteeing nurses' right to put patient care ahead of profit and making sure construction workers can speak up when there's a safety issue. It will protect workers from being silenced when they call attention to food safety threats, shoddy construction, and other problems that could harm Illinoisans. This amendment protects firefighters and EMTs who put their lives on the line to protect Illinoisans. It means they get the training and safety equipment they need to do their jobs, and can speak out when they see a problem without fear of retaliation. This amendment will help our economy by putting more money in workers' pockets who join together and get raises. That will mean more money going into our communities and small businesses as people join the middle class with good-paying jobs.

#### **Arguments Against the Proposed Amendment**

A fundamental right provided to all citizens under the First Amendment of the United States Constitution is the right to free speech and freedom of association. This amendment prohibits any law or ordinance that allows union workers to choose whether they wish to be a member of the union or not. Under the 2018 United States Supreme Court decision *Janus v. Illinois AFSCME*, non-union government workers cannot be required to pay union dues as a condition of working in the public sector. Approval of this constitutional amendment will deny that protection to private sector workers. The amendment also states that lawmakers could never "interfere with, negate, or diminish" certain rights. These terms are broad and undefined and leave lawmakers without the ability to clarify through legislation. Our Illinois Constitution provides such protection to public employees. The result of that protection has been to squash efforts by state lawmakers and voters to address Illinois' pension fund deficits.

### **FORM OF BALLOT**

#### **Proposed Amendment to the 1970 Illinois Constitution**

#### **Explanation of Amendment**

The proposed amendment would add a new section to the Bill of Rights Article of the Illinois Constitution that would guarantee workers the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively and to negotiate wages, hours, and working conditions, and to promote their economic welfare and safety at work. The new amendment would also prohibit from being passed any new law that interferes with, negates, or diminishes the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively over their wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and workplace safety. At the general election to be held on November 8, 2022, you will be called upon to decide whether the proposed amendment should become part of the Illinois Constitution.

YES

For the proposed addition of Section 25 to Article I of the Illinois Constitution.

NO

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*I, Jesse White, Secretary of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Proposed Amendment, the Explanation of the Proposed Amendment, Arguments in Favor of the Amendment and Arguments Against the Amendment and a true copy of the Form of Ballot for this call as the regularly scheduled general election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, as set forth in compliance with the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.*



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Illinois, Done in the City of Springfield, this sixth day of September, 2022.

*Jesse White*

Jesse White  
Secretary of State

**The link below has information about a proposed constitutional amendment that will be considered at the November 8, 2022 general election.**

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Poniższy link zawiera informacje na temat proponowanej zmiany konstytucyjnej, która zostanie rozpatrzona w wyborach powszechnych w dniu 8 listopada 2022 r.

El siguiente enlace contiene información sobre una propuesta de enmienda constitucional que se considerará en las elecciones generales del 8 de noviembre de 2022.

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## Upcoming historical programming and events

The Lake View Ravenswood Historical Assoc. will be hosting a free presentation by author, historian and paranormal researcher Ursula Bielski titled "Haunts of the White City" 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, at Sulzer Library, 4455 N. Lincoln Ave.

Nineteenth Century Chicago is remembered as one of the most fascinating and dynamic of all environments in history. Newspapers of the day carried sensational stories of these epic days including many appearances of ghosts, demons, birds of ill omen and other supernatural visitations. Bielski will talk about the phantoms of the Fort Dearborn Massacre, the victims of H.H. Holmes, Lincoln Park's "Suicide Bridge," the boy who drank holy water, to undertakers who experimented with the dead.

On Thursday, Sept. 22, at 7 p.m., the Lake View Ravenswood Historical Assoc. and DANK Haus will be co-hosting a free community Open Haus in the Dank Haus Skyline Lounge, 4740 N. Western Ave. For more information call 773-561-9181.

# Shimabukuro returns for performance to Old Town School

BY PETER VON BUOL

Hawaii's ukulele virtuoso Jake Shimabukuro will be returning to the Old Town School of Folk Music to perform two shows on Sunday, Sept. 18.

Shimabukuro, who last appeared in Chicago in 2019, is known for his fast and complex finger work on the ukulele and his unique style combines elements of traditional Hawaiian, jazz, rock, bluegrass, and classical music.

Shimabukuro will be performing two shows on the stage of the Old Town School's Gary and Laura Maurer Concert Hall, 4544 N. Lincoln Ave. The first performance is at 3 p.m. and the second performance is at 7 p.m. Tickets for both shows are \$50.

While Shimabukuro is an accomplished songwriter, his breakthrough hit in 2006 was a solo performance of George Harrison's "While My Guitar Gently Weeps" on ukulele. A video of Shimabukuro performing the song live in New York City's Central Park quickly became a viral hit on the internet where it has subsequently garnered more 17.5 million views.

In 2009, Shimabukuro was asked to perform alongside the Hawaii-born Bette Midler as she sang the Beatles' song "In My Life" at that year's Royal Variety Performance in front of Great Britain's Queen Elizabeth II. Even prior to the queen's



Jake Shimabukuro will be performing two shows this Sunday at the Old Town School of Folk Music's Concert Hall.

death, Shimabukuro had considered that moment a career highlight.

In an interview with Hawaii's KHNL on Sept. 9, Shimabukuro said Queen Elizabeth had been gracious as they shook hands and exchanged words.

"She kept commenting on the ukulele. She kept saying that the ukulele has such a beautiful sound. I'll never forget that," said

a humbled Shimabukuro.

Great Britain's Queen Victoria, who was Queen Elizabeth II's great-great grandmother, had a close relationship with Hawaii's royal families. In 1887, the future Queen Lili'uokalani and her sister-in-law, Queen Kapiolani, were honored guests at Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee Celebration in London.

## Route 66, and baseball, come to Roscoe Village



"Grassroots Baseball: Route 66," a book signing and exhibit by renowned sports photographer Jean Fruth will take place this Thursday in Roscoe Village.

Chicago baseball Fans can travel the Mother Road in Roscoe Village Sept. 15 as August House Chicago, 2113 W. Roscoe St., presents, "Grassroots Baseball: Route 66," a book signing and exhibit by renowned sports photographer Jean Fruth.

Fruth's images celebrate and illuminate America's favorite pastime, baseball. She has traveled the small towns and large cities that are all connected by Historic Highway, Route 66 and captured poignant imagery of the Americana that has come to define the "Mother Road" since it first opened nearly 100 years ago.

Hall of Famer George Brett, current Astro star Alex Bregman, and retired outfielder Billy Hatcher all got their start along Route 66 and are just a part of the legends who, along with Johnny Bench, contribute first person essays in the book.

Fruth is one of baseball's pre-eminent photographers and has touched all the bases, and traveled the globe to follow her passion.

"I've learned that the game is more than just a sport," she said. "It is about the dreams and aspirations for so many youngsters wherever I go."

Local actor and comedian Bill Murray says of the book, "Route 66 came out of Chicago and so did I along with baseball as I knew it. Jean Fruth's photographs put me back in the front seat right next to my Dad, peering over the dashboard at the horizon of my land and my life while listening to a Cubs game on the radio. I don't know if life ever got better or sweeter than that."

Indeed, the culture of baseball is so much bigger than what just happens on the field.

Maverick baseball legend Mike Veeck will be in attendance at the book signing which is from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Net proceeds from the book sales support the non-profit Grassroots Baseball program.

The photo exhibit, Thursday through Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. will run until Sept. 30.

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## Top eight reasons to consider independent senior living in Chicago

Are you considering independent senior living and looking for a fulfilling and purposeful lifestyle? If big-city amenities and culture are what you desire, consider Chicago. As the third-largest city in the U.S., Chicago is the ideal city for those who want to live in an internationally renowned metropolitan area with Midwest values. Here are the top eight reasons to consider independent senior living in Chicago.

### 1. Cultural Utopia

Chicago is rich in culture providing a diverse and broad selection of music, theater, dance and art. There are over 250 theaters and five Tony Award-winning theater companies. No matter what musical genre you favor, from classical to blues or jazz to eclectic, you will find it in Chicago. Art abounds citywide, from public squares and parks to fine galleries and museums. If dance tops your list, you will find everything from classical ballet and tap to percussive and interpretive dance. And The Clare has strong relationships with local musicians who share their talents within the community.

### 2. Two Waterfronts

Living near the water has been shown to improve mental and physical health. The Clare places you near two beautiful waterfronts — the Chicago River and Lake Michigan, the fifth largest lake in the world. At the city's Riverwalk, residents enjoy dining, shopping and scenic cruises along the Chicago River. The city's location on the southwestern shore of Lake Michigan provides 26 miles of uninterrupted lakefront with dozens of free public beaches, walking and biking trails, the Museum Campus and ten boat harbors with spaces for 6,000 boats.

### 3. Incomparable Dining

Chicago is the second city in the world for dining and drinking, according to the Time Out Index, a survey polled more than 34,000 people in 48 cities around the globe. Chicago is ripe with incredible mom and pop diners, tantalizing taquerias, incomparable international cuisine and some of the finest Michelin-

starred chef-owned restaurants found anywhere in the world. Best of all, Chicago has greater and quicker access to fresh foods because of the plethora of Illinois farms. In our four dining venues, you will also find fine dining at The Clare with impeccably flavored cuisine developed by Executive Chef Hagop Hagopian.

### 4. Plentiful Connections

Chicago is a bustling city with many places and events to explore. The number of people you can create connections with is vast. Whether you are into music, museums, sports or theatre, attending these events will introduce you to people with similar tastes and interests. Lifelong learners will find plenty of opportunities to fulfill their thirst for knowledge. Volunteering is another way to connect with others while giving back to the community. The Clare is also brimming with clubs, programs and special events that offer many ways to connect with your neighbors.

### 5. Highly Walkable

There are a number of reasons why you may choose to walk in Chicago. According to the walkability ranking site, Walk Score, Chicago received a grade of 77 out of 100, making it the sixth most walkable city in America. Chicago has an exceptionally walkable downtown, complete with great urban parks that give you a route through the city separate from automobile traffic. When you live at The Clare you can do most anything by foot, whether it is dining out, getting a prescription filled or taking care of banking.

### 6. Luxury Living

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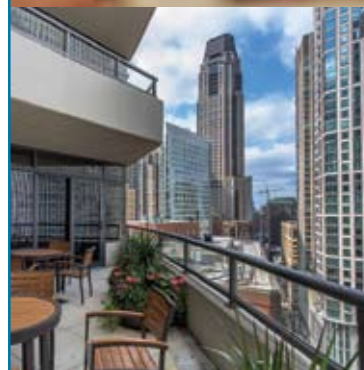
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# Police Beat...

**Food delivery driver opened fire on car thief at Popeye's**



Monique Logan (inset) is facing felony charges for firing a gun at the thief who stole her car. The car thief has not been caught.

A food delivery driver opened fire on a car thief who stole her car outside a Popeye's restaurant in Rogers Park Sept. 5, officials said. She is now facing a felony charge, but as for the thief, well, they have yet to be found.

Monique Logan parked her car and ran into the chicken restaurant at 1959 W. Howard around 2 p.m. When she came out three minutes later, someone was driving away with her vehicle.

Prosecutors said Chicago police surveillance video shows Logan running out of Popeye's, pulling a gun from a red bag, pointing it into the air, then lowering it in the direction of her rapidly departing car.

Police arrived to take her stolen car report, but the investigation took an unexpected turn when witnesses told police that she had fired "several gunshots" toward the car, a prosecutor said during Logan's bail hearing on Tuesday afternoon.

Cops allegedly found seven shell casings at the scene and confiscated a 9-millimeter handgun from inside a red bag that one of the restaurant's employees handed over. There were no live bullets in the gun.

Logan, 34, does not have a license to own firearms in Illinois or to carry a concealed weapon, officials said. She is charged with aggravated discharge of a firearm.

Her public defender said she works full-time for Grubhub, Uber Eats, and DoorDash.

Judge Mary Marubio ordered her to pay a \$500 deposit toward bail to get out of jail.

Last October, Chicago Police Sgt. Oneta Sampson Carney was charged with reckless discharge of a firearm after she allegedly opened fire on juveniles who stole her SUV while she was loading it with groceries outside an Evergreen Park store. Carney was off duty at the time. No injuries were reported, but the Civilian Office of Police Accountability recommended that she be fired in light of the allegations.

**Cops seek two suspects in fatal stabbing of Loop man**



Police are seeking these men in connection with the stabbing death of a 41-year-old man in the Loop on Sept. 6.

Chicago police have released images of two men who are wanted for questioning in connection with the murder of a 41-year-old man in the Loop Sept. 6. Police now confirm that the victim was stabbed to death in a robbery attempt.

CPD said these two men were walking west on W. Van Buren when they confronted a 41-year-old man near LaSalle St. and tried to take his property around 10:50 p.m. They kicked, punched, and stabbed him repeatedly, police said.

The victim collapsed in front of a restaurant on the 400 block of S. Financial and later died.

Police said the men are between 5'-10" and 6-foot tall and weigh 175 to 190 lbs.

Anyone with information about the men can contact Area Three detectives at 312-744-8261. Refer to case #JF-386051.

**Man stabbed to death during possible Loop robbery; neighborhood's 7th murder victim this year**

A man was stabbed to death in the Loop on Sept. 6, and police are trying to determine if he was targeted in a botched robbery. He is the Loop's seventh murder victim of 2022, a number that far exceeds any other year in publicly-available records.

Police responded to the 100 block of W. Van Buren after a 911 caller reported seeing a man being attacked by two people in a possible robbery around 10:54 p.m. Minutes later, another 911 caller reported finding a man covered in blood outside 425 South Financial Place.

Investigators discovered a blood trail that linked the two locations. The victim still had some property when police found him.

EMS took the victim to Northwestern Memorial Hospital, where he was pronounced dead, according to police.

Publicly-available city records, which date to 2001, show six other people have been murdered in the Loop this year, including three others since Aug. 1. No other year comes close to that level of violence.

**Two dead after a wrong-way crash on Lake Shore Dr.**

Two people were killed Sept. 11 in a late-night wrong-way crash on N. Lake Shore Dr. in Lincoln Park.

About 2:20 a.m., a white sedan entered the northbound lanes and headed south bound in the 2000 block of N. Lake Shore Dr. That car collided with a silver sedan head-on, causing it to catch fire.

The driver in the white sedan, Ricardo Santillan, 59, suffered blunt force trauma to the body was taken to Illinois Masonic Medical Center, where he later died, said the Cook County Medical Examiner's office.

Police said that the driver of the silver sedan also suffered blunt force trauma to his body and was pronounced dead at the scene. He has not been identified.

**Four tourists among latest victims of armed robbery crews**

Chicago police now believe at least two armed robbery crews are working the city's North Side, Near West Side, and downtown areas, targeting victims from Lakeview to Wicker Park to Streeterville and beyond.

One group robbed four people in Wicker Park Sept. 6, including two tourists. The other group robbed four people in the West Loop on Sept. 5, including two more tourists outside their hotel.

CPD has publicly linked 22 robberies to the groups, but the offenders are likely responsible for even more crimes.

The most recent robbery spree occurred in Wicker Park Sept. 6. At around 6:58 p.m., three victims were walking through an alley in the 1700 block of W. Ellen when three men arrived in a silver SUV, according to a CPD spokesperson. The robbers got out of the vehicle and robbed

**Rogers Park man sentenced to over five years for possessing loaded gun, engaging in COVID-relief fraud**

A Rogers Park man has been sentenced to more than five years in federal prison for illegally possessing a loaded handgun and fraudulently obtaining a small business loan under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security [CARES] Act.

Tyjuan Lighthall, 25, illegally possessed the gun on Jan. 17, 2019, while riding in a vehicle in Rogers Park. The gun, which Lighthall had purchased from an individual in Indiana for \$400, was equipped with an extended magazine capable of holding more than 15 rounds of ammunition.

As a previously convicted felon, Lighthall was not legally allowed to possess a firearm.

Lighthall was free on bond in the firearm case when he engaged in the COVID-relief fraud. In April 2021, Lighthall applied for a loan under the Paycheck Protection Program. A PPP loan allowed the interest and principal to be forgiven if businesses spend a certain amount of the loan on essential expenses, such as payroll, rent, and utilities.

Lighthall fraudulently represented to a lender that he was the sole proprietor of a business named "Tyjuan



Tyjuan Lighthall

Lighthall," which purportedly did business under the name "Infinite 5 Creations LLC." Lighthall submitted the fraudulent application knowing that this business did not exist. After the loan application was approved, the lender deposited \$20,833 into his bank account.

Lighthall pleaded guilty earlier this year to a federal firearm charge and admitted in a plea agreement that he also engaged in the PPP fraud.

the victims—a 64-year-old man and women ages 26 and 28—at gunpoint. They took two phones and escaped in the SUV, which may be a Chevy Trailblazer.

Police gave two victims a ride back to their hotel in the Loop.

The same group robbed a woman in the 1200 block of N. Wood just moments after that robbery, according to CPD.

Area Five detectives say the same crew is responsible for a series of robberies in Avondale and Logan Square on Sept. 5.

Typically, the men point handguns at the victims' faces or heads while demanding their valuables, according to CPD. The suspects are Black males between 18- and 20-years-old who stand 5'-9" or 5'-10" tall, according to police. The men wear black or gray hoodies with black ski masks and carry handguns or rifles.

Detectives issued a community alert overnight that links the group to robberies at the following locations and times: 1300 Block of N. Parkside Ave. on Aug. 22 at 1:40 p.m.; 4700 Block of W. Le Moine Ave. on Aug. 22 at 1:46 p.m.; 2000 Block of N. Campbell Ave. on Sept. 4 at 8:10 p.m.; 5900 Block of N. Central Park Ave. on Sept. 4 at 8:40 p.m.; 2000 Block of W. Potomac Ave. on Sept. 4 at 9:05 p.m.; 2800 Block of N. Maplewood Ave. on Sept. 5 at 11:30 p.m.; 2800 Block of N. Campbell Ave. on Sept. 5 at 11:34 p.m.; 1900 Block of N. Spaulding Ave. on Sept. 5 at 11:50 p.m.; 1700 Block of W. Ellen St. on Sept. 6 at 6:58 p.m., and the 1200 Block of N. Wood St. on Sept. 6 at 7:01 p.m.

The second group of robbers' operation strongly resembles the first crew's, according to CPD. The offenders roll up on victims on the street and display handguns while demanding valuables. This team has been seen using a dark-colored four-door sedan, according to police. But the most recent victims said the robbers were using a white car, according to CPD reports.

They struck four times in the West Loop and River West on Sept. 5: At 10:40 p.m., four men got out of a car with guns to rob a man and his friend in the 900 block of W. Huron. The offenders demanded the victims' phone codes, then escaped in a white car, possibly a Toyota Corolla.

At around 11 p.m., the group robbed two hotel guests of their phones, shoes, and wallets, in the 300 block of N. Morgan, according to a

ter on Sept. 11, leaving at least six carjacking victims and two armed robbery victims in its wake. No arrests have been made.

It started around 12:15 a.m. Sunday in the 2500 block of W. North Ave. in Wicker Park. A group of about five armed men carjacked a woman at gunpoint of her Toyota Corolla. It was later found crashed.

A man was carjacked in the 1200 block of N. Washtenaw around 2 a.m. This time, three armed men wearing ski masks displayed guns and took his gray 2005 Volkswagen SUV, according to CPD records. It was last seen heading south on Washtenaw, then east on Evergreen.

About 30 minutes later, three men wearing masks displayed guns and carjacked a 21-year-old man of his black Dodge Charger in the 200 block of N. Carpenter in the West Loop.

Similar armed carjackings were reported around 4 a.m. at Addison and Pulaski in Irving Park; around 4:15 a.m. in the 2000 block of W. Montrose, in Lincoln Square, and around 4:40 a.m. in the 1000 block of W. Bryn Mawr in Edgewater.

In each carjacking, the suspects were generally described as Black males in their late teens or early 20s wearing masks and brandishing at least one handgun.

Two armed robberies were also reported in the area of the carjackings.

Around 3:45 a.m., two armed robbers pulled up to a man in the Jewel parking lot, 1341 N. Paulina, and displayed a handgun. They threw him to the ground and demanded his valuables at gunpoint. He described them as two Hispanic men wearing shorts who stand about 5'5" tall, according to an officer.

And around 4:20 a.m., three people stepped out of a car and robbed a taxi driver of his cash near Lawrence and Kedzie in Albany Park. According to CPD records, the license plate on the robbers' getaway car matched the plate used on a vehicle in some of the earlier carjackings.

CPD has issued community alerts about two armed robbery teams that are hitting the near west and north sides of the city. But, so far, no arrests have been announced.

**More shots fired in Wrigleyville**

Chicago police are investigating another confirmed case of shots fired in Wrigleyville. No one was hurt this time, but the gunfire comes on the heels of last weekend when separate shootings left two people injured on the Clark St. bar strip. More gunfire was confirmed in the nearby Boystown nightlife district Sept. 2.

The latest incident occurred around 1:15 a.m. Sept. 8. Officers in the area reported on the local CPD radio channel that they thought they heard gunfire, and a series of 911 callers confirmed their suspicions.

Officers discovered four shell casings near the intersection of Seminary and Cornelia avenues. Some witnesses said the shots were fired by someone who was in a white SUV that was headed west on Cornelia.

On Sept. 2, someone fired about five shots during an argument near the corner of Roscoe and Halsted streets in Boystown around 2:30 a.m. One round crashed through the window of a nearby bar, which had closed about 30 minutes earlier. Another bullet crashed through a nearby apartment window. No injuries were reported.

Police at the scene said the gunman fled in a white GMC Yukon that headed down Roscoe and turned into an alley.

**Woman fatally stabbed in Edgewater apartment, neighbor detained by police**

Chicago police are questioning an Edgewater man in connection with the stabbing death of his neighbor on Sept. 8.

A man called 911 around 10:50 a.m. and reported that he had stabbed a woman in her apartment in the 6100 block of N. Winthrop, according to dispatch records. Police found the 51-year-old woman in her unit with stab wounds to her chest. She was taken to St. Francis Hospital, where she was pronounced dead at 12:44 p.m., medical examiner records show.

Cops detained a man who lives next door to the woman. Officers said they found a knife on his bed.

**Eight armed robberies and carjackings reported during crime spree**

Chicago police are investigating a rash crime wave that rolled from the West Loop to Wicker Park to Edgewa-

# Sheriff warns public of ruse burglaries



Ruse burglaries are on the rise in Cook County according to Sheriff Tom Dart.

Cook County Sheriff Thomas J. Dart is releasing images of several ruse burglary offenders and warning the public about the scheme.

Sheriff's Police responded to a ruse burglary on Sept. 1 in the 0-100 block of N. Indian Hill Rd., and upon arrival, officers learned that a man approached the 81-year-old victim's door and told her he was a construction worker. He said he needed to show her something outside and directed her away from the home's entrance. While the victim was out-

side, four other offenders entered the residence.

The second victim, an 82-year-old man, saw one of the offenders inside the home. That offender distracted the man by saying he needed to check the kitchen sink because there was a broken water main outside.

The five offenders left about 10 minutes later in a black or dark gray SUV with a Xfinity logo on its side.

The victims later learned that jewelry was taken from the home.

Sheriff's Police are releasing images of the offenders and the vehicle involved in the hope of generating tips to solve the case.

Detectives believe this incident was a ruse burglary. In these types of burglaries, an offender distracts victims by pretending to be a worker or a new neighbor while other offenders enter the home to take valuables.

Sheriff's Police asked anyone with information on these burglaries to call Sheriff's Police detectives at 708-865-4896.

## POLICE BEAT from p. 10

Then, people were shot on Wrigleyville's bar strip on both Sept. 2 and 3.

First, a 27-year-old man was shot during an argument outside a bar in the 3400 block of N. Clark around 1:53 a.m. Saturday. The victim was struck in his right thigh, and police said he was in good condition after the shooting.

Then, around 3 a.m. Sunday, a 43-year-old man arrived at Ascension Resurrection Hos. with a gunshot wound to his left leg that he said he received about 30 minutes earlier in the 3500 block of N. Clark, according to CPD. That's right around the time 911 callers reported that someone had fired a shot into a nearby Italian beef restaurant. Cops initially believed the restaurant incident was simply someone hitting a window with a rock.

So far this year, 12 people have been shot in Lakeview, according to CPD records. That's up from five at this point last year, eight in 2020, and four as of 2019.

## Gunman chases car cross-city, leaving one dead, one injured near Navy Pier

A gunman fired an automatic weapon from a stolen car toward two occupants of another vehicle as the cars traveled across Chicago Sept. 8 and 9, eventually leaving one man dead and a woman injured near Navy Pier. The victims are the 54th and 55th persons shot on the Near North Side this year, far more than any other recent year.

Police believe the shooting began on the West Side in the 4200 block of W. Roosevelt and continued sporadically until the cars exited Lake Shore Dr. at Grand Ave. shortly after 3 a.m.

A Chicago police officer stationed at Navy Pier radioed that he saw a gunman firing an automatic weapon from a car toward another vehicle as they turned west on Grand Ave. Investigators later found shell casings spread across all the traffic lanes outside Lake Point Tower.

According to initial information from the scene, the gunman was firing from a Volkswagen Tiguan that was stolen from a gas station in the 1600 block of W. Van Buren on Aug. 24.

Police found the victims in a car in the 100 block of E. Ontario. The male driver, 27, was pronounced dead of multiple gunshot wounds to the torso, according to CPD. His female passenger, 20, suffered a gunshot wound to her back. She is in good condition at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, police said.

Officers saw the Volkswagen drive onto the Ontario feeder ramp after the incident, but they did not pursue it.

## Man fights CTA security, steals an Uber in Loop

It's hard to imagine a story that more fully captures Chicago in 2022 than this one. Police say a man got into a fight with a CTA security guard, then stole his Uber driver's car and crashed it outside the Thompson Center on Sept. 7. Then, he ran away and has not been found.

According to a Chicago police report, a 29-year-old CTA security guard saw a man arguing with someone near the Clark-Lake CTA station around 4:44 a.m. When the guard intervened, the offender punched him square in the face and then jumped into an Uber that was waiting for him, police said.

But the Uber driver, 35, wanted no part of that scene, and she got out of

the car.

So, of course, her passenger climbed into the driver's seat and sped away—until he crashed in the 100 block of N. Clark. He then got out and ran west on Randolph St.

Officers who responded to the scene described the offender as a Black male with a face tattoo who wore an orange shirt with black pants.

## Robber fires shot, pistol-whips victim in Rogers Park

An armed robber fired a handgun, then beat his victim with the weapon in Rogers Park on Sept. 11, according to Chicago police. The offender remains on the loose.

The 23-year-old victim was walking in the 1300 block of W. Farwell when the gunman approached and demanded his property around 10:45 p.m., according to a CPD spokesperson. But the victim refused to cooperate until the robber fired a bullet into the ground, police said.

At that point, the victim threw his property onto the ground and tried to run away. He didn't get far. The robber grabbed him from behind, beat him in the head with a pistol, and then ran away, according to police.

The victim went to Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center to treat the injuries he received during the beating.

—Compiled by CWBChicago.com

## VICTIMS from p. 5

We're emboldening these kids by showing that their actions have no consequences. They will likely get themselves hurt, or they'll end up in adult jail with a life sentence."



Chicago police are looking for these suspects in connection with a robbery on the Orange Line train.

## Cops seek three suspects in connection with CTA robbery

BY CWBCHICAGO

Chicago police are trying to locate three men in connection with an armed robbery on an Orange Line train in the Loop.

CPD said in a community alert that the three men seen in these CTA surveillance images are suspected of robbing a victim on the

train near State-Van Buren around 12:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 5.

The robbers displayed a gun and hit the man during the robbery, police said.

Anyone with information about the suspects can call Area Central detectives at 312-745-4706. The case number is JF383451.

## Woman robbed of shoes while broken down on Lake Shore Dr.

BY CWBCHICAGO

A woman told police she was robbed of her shoes while waiting for her driver to return to their car after it ran out of gas on Lake Shore Dr. on Sept. 11.

According to a CPD report, the 30-year-old was riding in a car with a male friend when it ran out of gas near Millennium Park around 2:56 a.m.

She stayed behind while her companion apparently went to get help.

While waiting for him to return, two men opened her car door and robbed her of her shoes, the woman said. They then fled toward the Loop. The woman told police she followed them on foot until they escaped in a ride share.

No arrests have been announced.

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(L-R) Mikhail Gorbachev's 1992 visit. Sherrill Bodine, with the talented Orley K.G, Pete Ondish, Cheyanne Hardy - founders of "Comedy at the Cabin." Lindy Fleming McGuire and Brookie.

## HER MAJESTY from p. 2

board president William McCormick Blair. She knew his ancestor had invented the reaper that changed the living of the agrarian world. And she was thrilled to discover El Greco's "Assumption of the Virgin" on her walk-about.

The Monarch was then whisked away to the Drake Hotel to meet U.S. Governors, U.S. Mayors and members of the Chicago City Council. Mrs. Daley was a particular help meeting people. She had made sure that six of her children were received by the Royals and had photos taken with them.

That was a 'chock-a-block' day before meeting up at the Chicago Hilton for a 9 p.m. dinner at which her Majesty found the Mayor sitting in the wrong seat. So she quietly adjusted things so he was properly seated next to her. Like a dutiful daughter tending to social details for a slightly overwhelmed papa.

In his remarks, Mayor Daley invited the royal couple to return to Chicago, and "bring the children." It was a real Chicago invitation from one very comfortable parent to another.

Shortly before midnight, everyone accompanied the Royals back to an area near Buckingham Fountain where an enormous fireworks display sent the Queen and Prince off to their next desti-

nation aboard Britannia.

That day of rambunctious joy and friendship has been on many minds in Chicago with the Queen's death, some 63 years later. She came to the capital of the American heartland as the youthful ruler at the start of her reign. Engaging the Prairie citizens of Chicago with dignity and genuine ease. Her encounter with Chicago's favorite mayor was a bright moment of shared human engagement. Each one rising above the expectations. Where they caught sight of something bigger. More genuine of heart. More real. Two people of familial purpose whose self-reference would always be the loved ones around them.

That proved even truer soon enough, when after all her faithfulness to duty, the Queen surprised the world with the happy announcement that she was pregnant with her third child. Knowledge she carried with her, in secret, in her visit to Chicago.

Her royal life then, and always, would be as Shakespeare had foresaw. "Never anything can be amiss when simpleness and duty tender it."

Rest in peace Ma'am.

**CHICAGO AND GORBACHEV:** During a whirlwind Chicago visit, the late Soviet leader **Mikhail Gorbachev** made a 1992 visit to the Chicago Board of Trade [CBOT] and was

dazzled by the demonstration of the power of our economic leadership. Greeting him at the front door of the CBOT was veteran **Billy O'Connor** and young **Michael O'Connell**. Both now deceased, but men who left their mark on Chicago's fast moving world of future crops and grain deals.

**TIMES SQUARE:** **Irene Michaels**, she of the golden voice, is all set to launch some new music that will be part of her upcoming New York City show. To gild the lily, Michaels will appear on the "Jumbotron" in Time Square in Manhattan, for two weeks, beginning Sept. 16. What a fabulous honor for a great lady.

**RECOVERING:** Chicago's beloved **Dr. Joaquin Brieva** has had his kidney transplant at Northwestern Hosp. and is recuperating well.

**PROFILE IN COURAGE:** It's easy to miss some important events during the summer's shifting of worlds and schedules. We are reminded that U.S. Ambassador to Australia, **Caroline Kennedy Schlossberg**, awarded a JFK Profile in Courage Award to Ukrainian President **Volodymyr Zelenskyy**. The daughter of late President JFK said Zelenskyy had "inspired the world," making him one of the few international officials to be given the annual award.

**SAGE OF THE GRAPE:** Big Second City welcome to **Daniel Andrews**, Gibson's new sommelier and host already getting acquainted with the legions of the restaurant's devoted followers and Gold Coast characters. A gent who knows his grapes.

**AMBULANCE DELIVERY:** **Raul Reyes** arranging for a Chicago Fire Dept. ambulance to be donated to the city of Cerritos, San Luis Potosi, Mexico, just Northeast of Guadalajara. It will provide much needed quality emergency aid.

**BOOK MONEY:** Heirloom Books and Friends of Sullivan High School are sponsoring a day at Archie's Cafe at 1228 W. Loyola, 1 p.m. Sept. 25.

The mostly social event is for the gifting of a check to the Friends towards college expenses of Sullivan graduates. Archie's will provides both indoor and outdoor seating. There's no cover, and no reservation is required just stop in.

**NO SEASON FOUR SEASONS:** Many Gold Coasters



## Chicago Jazz pianist, Ramsey Lewis, dead at 87

Jazz pianist, three-time Grammy winner, and NEA Jazz Master Ramsey Lewis, who successfully crossed over from the Jazz charts to the Pop charts, most notably with his smash hit "The In Crowd," died peacefully at his home in Streeterville on the morning of September 12. He was 87.

Born in Chicago on May 27, 1935, Lewis grew up in the Cabrini Green housing project, and began taking piano lessons at age four and played piano at church.

Lewis broke through in a big way in 1965 with the early crossover smash, "The In Crowd," followed by two more chart-toppers, "Hang on Sloopy" and "Wade in the Water."

are asking what happened to the Four Seasons Bar. Once a comfort spot for neighborhood locals on Boul Mich, now it seems that since the huge rehab and introduction of space lab interior design the bar is no longer "comfy" or fit to drink in. The new "Paul Bunyan"-sized bar is too high. One Gold Coaster could not even get her bum into the chair.

**COMEDY THRIVES:** Sherrill Bodine, the welcoming proprietor of the Cabin on Irving Park, announced that comedy has arrived with the talented **Orley K.G, Pete Ondish, Cheyanne Hardy** - founders of "Comedy at the Cabin." Sherrill plans to join them every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. with an open mic. Old Irving, 4104 N. Pulaski, laughter guaranteed.

**FRENCH CANADA:** **Janet and Rodger Owen** on the cobbles of antique La Malbaie, Quebec joining **Peggy Snorf** and lunching nearby at the summer residence of Chicagoan **Judy Bross**, and later hosted to a summer drinks party by Chicagoan **Todd Schwebel** in his gardens in nearby Murray Bay with historical views of the St. Lawrence Seaway. Tres jolies en été.

**WHO'S WHERE:** Ralph Lauren Bar & Grill's Master Server **Peter Axelson's** art is first rate... **Sherry Lea Fox** in summer Chanel, hosted a birthday lunch for **Anne Kahn** with chic **Mark Olley** in attendance... just

as friends of **Kathy Wolter Mondelli**, and this columnist, assembled for their double birthday lunch all planned by chanteuse **Barb Bailey** with diva **Irene Michaels, Meg Goeing** and **Jeanae Paul**, back only hours from Mumbai, India, in attendance... Best wishes to birthday girl **Nancy Gallagher McCready** lunching with sweet daughter **Nora Dowling** along the lake waters in Michigan... **Lindy Fleming McGuire** and daughter, **Brookie**, had a special night with the Chicago White Sox... **Steven Zick** is back in his native Brosna, Co. Kerry for pints, palaver and prayer... **Jane Justic** getting a surprise visit from granddaughter, **Annie Justic**... **Janet** and **Thomas Murphy** at the Sheraton Grand Chicago Riverwalk for the Edgar Fellows dinner... **Karen Zupko** and **Mr. Mike** having dinner at famed Michelin star bistro Sky in Pilsen with **Bernie** and **Elizabeth Bach**...

**Eamonn Cummins** and **Pennie Taylor** in Fontana, WI, watching Notre Dame lose to the Buckeyes at Chuck's Lakeshore Inn with **Arlena LaRocca**... **Jim Kinney** calling the play-by-play Volleyball Tournament at Oak St. Beach, very Miami... **Linda Robin** had a bird's eye view of all the volleyball goings-on in the sand outside her Lake Shore Dr. windows... **Kelly Barton Rosenberg** proud of son, **Ryan Rosenberg**, a sturdy Evans Scholar... **Chris Grimshaw** at Nakalele Point on Maui, Hawaii, with his son, **Lalo**, soaking up surf and sun... **Dr. Rose Gomez** in Gstaad, Switzerland with an upfront view of the parade of Swiss milk cows festooned in flowers and bonnets... the late **Monsignor Michael Burke** (Madison) left a wide impression on many hearts, but never more than in his collegiate days when he was setting records, his career to be honored in the Univ. of Wisconsin's Sports Hall of Fame, to the delight of his siblings, especially bro **Frank Burke** of Lake Forest... Congrats to **Dan** and **Laurie Baker Lawler** on anniversary number seven, cute kids.

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**Letter to the Editor**

**Why are Chicago's Lakefront alderman leaving in droves?**

Chicago's alderman are leaving office faster than a reporter leaves a function when the open bar turns back into a cash bar ... (except for this newspaper's reporters, of course).

It can't be the pay. It is about to shoot up to \$142K a year. Plus benefits, expenses and a staff.

It can't be the mayor. She's sweeter than the back of a garbage truck in 99-degree weather.

It can't be the workload. It's a part time City job, for chrissakes.

It must be Jan. 2023. What happens in Jan. 2023? The end of Chicago as we know it.

That's when the federal bailout cash dries up and the Illinois SAFE-T Act goes into effect.

No federal cash means no more free drinks at the party. That cash give-away goes away if the Democrats lose Congress.

Safety? Ha, my butt. Not when 100 of the 102 County States Attorneys have criticized it as a get-outta-jail-free card to violent criminals.

No more cash bail. For every crime up to and including second degree murder. Everybody walks until trial.

That includes assault, battery, domestic violence, burglary, armed robbery, carjacking, sexual assault, rape and manslaughter.

No more police pursuits. Cops can't chase, even on foot.

Cops can't use tasers.

The Attorney General can fine individual police officers up to \$50,000, no trial necessary.

So what will happen to proactive policing? Gone.

What will happen to reactive policing? Dead.

But how did this happen?

The biggest elected official since William Howard Taft signed it. Gov. J.B. Pritzker.

And all our local State legislators voted for it. They really don't care about your safety or your children's safety, do they?

Because there really is no violent crime in Chicago, Evanston or Cook County anymore, is there?

Women aren't being attacked? Children aren't being shot?

But make sure you call your state legislators and thank them. Or blame them if one of your loved ones ends up in a hospital or a cemetery.

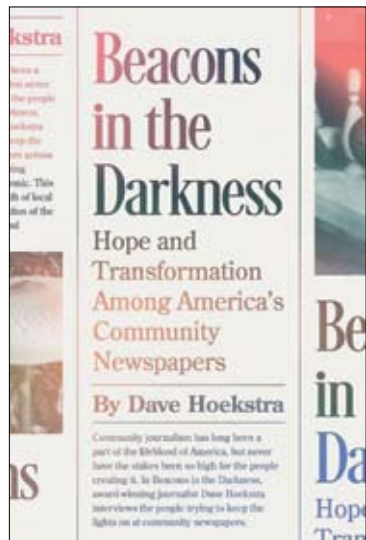
They're gonna have to say a lot of Act of Contritions or make a lot of Mikvahs to make up for this.

Sen. Mike Simmons: 773-769-1717, don't blame the hairstyle. Sen. Sara Feigenholtz: 773-296-4141, Sen. Robert Peters: 708-730-4283, Rep. Robyn Gabel: 847-424-5401, Rep. Kelly Cassidy: 773-784-2002, (should've taken the hint when passed over for Senator). Rep. Greg Harris: 773-348-3434... maybe save your dime, he's retiring. Rep. Ann Williams: 773-880-9082, Rep. Kam Buckner: 773-924-1755... Hey, wait, isn't he running for mayor?

And Rep. Lamont Robinson: 773-924-4614.

Mike Sullivan  
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**Beacons in the Darkness:  
Hope and Transformation  
Among America's Community Newspapers**



Community journalism has long been a part of the lifeblood of America, but never have the stakes been so high for the people behind it.

In *Beacons in the Darkness*, award-winning journalist Dave Hoekstra interviews the people trying to keep the lights on at community newspapers across the country amid buyouts, declining revenues, fake news, and a pandemic. This book is not another account of the death of local journalism—but rather a celebration of the community ties, perseverance, and empathy that's demonstrated in community newsrooms from Hillsboro, IL, to Charleston, SC, to Marfa, TX.

Hoekstra recounts the sometimes-scandalous but always-industrious stories of the families who built these newspapers and passed them down through generations. Modern publishers and owners describe in their own words their struggles and experiments to stay alive in the digital age, not just for their businesses and their families but also for the communities they serve and the neighbors whose stories they tell in their reporting. *Beacons in the Darkness* provides an intimate

view inside the organizations that still publish photos of the local bowling league and the outlandishly large mushrooms on the edge of town, leaving you with a rekindled fondness for your own community paper—and a renewed appreciation of what we all stand to lose without one.

Hoekstra is a Chicago author-journalist. He was a columnist-critic at the Chicago Sun-Times from 1985 through 2014, where he won 2013 Studs Terkel

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Community Media Award. He has contributed pieces to Chicago Magazine, the Chicago Reader and Playboy Magazine.

Earnest, intimate reporting on the vanishing terrain of community newspapers across America, and the proud few that are still standing guard.

- **An exploration of the history of community newspapers.** Featuring first-hand interviews with publishers and owners of newspapers across the country.
- **Deep dive on important subject.** While also addressing the broader crisis affecting the American newspaper industry Hoekstra's interviews focus on the relationship between community and newspapers and underscore what we all stand to

lose as the number of community newspapers still in print continues to dwindle in the digital age.

- **Celebration of community news.** Rather than another analysis on the death of local journalism, *Beacons in the Darkness* celebrates the community ties, perseverance, and empathy demonstrated in newsrooms all over America.
- **Timely investigation** illustrating how the COVID-19 pandemic further affects smaller newsrooms already under pressure.
- **Offers vital perspective** on small communities that national media often overlook.

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A 'show-and-tell' talk titled, "That Belongs in a Museum! Suitcase Stories" will be held 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12 at the DANK Haus.

Co-hosted by DANK, the Abrahamic Center for Cultural Exchange, and National Indo-American Museum, this open mic storytelling event where visitors get to share the story of a precious object that represents their cultural heritage and identity.

Every object has a story. It can jog our memory, remind of close relationships, take one back in time and place, and/or invoke our cultural identity.

But objects rely on us to tell their story.

The premise of *That Belongs in a Museum: Suitcase Stories* is simple: bring an object that speaks to your cultural identity or migration experience, take the mic and share its story, then tell which museum—real or imaginary—where it belongs. An earring passed down by grandma, a faded map, a family heirloom, a keepsake (think Saris, Glücksbringer, a remnant of a Persian carpet, monogrammed chopsticks, prayer flags, etc.)

So look around the house, in the closet, under the bed, and inside the treasure chest to find the

object that longs to speak of your cultural heritage for five minutes on stage.

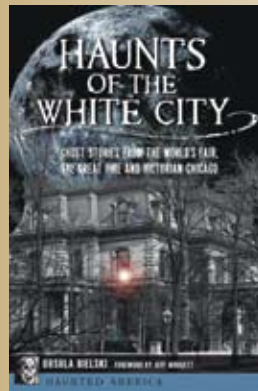
Bring objects that will fit through the door and, ideally, you can hold in your hand. No hazardous or illegal materials. The order of storytellers will be chosen at random.

Your \$5 ticket includes light refreshments and soft drinks. Tickets will also be sold at the door, if capacity allows.

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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 RMP 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:

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Hey city slickers, Cook County Farm Bureau to host 6th County Farm Crawl Sept. 17

All you city slickers can grab up the kids and put on your best work boots, then head out to visit the Cook County Farm Bureau's [CCFB] diverse Farms, Farmstands, Greenhouses, Garden Centers and Agri-businesses that are members of the CCFB, on a self-guided tour on Saturday, Sept. 17.

The Crawl is free, offering crawlers 24 locations to visit from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., unless noted.

There will be opportunities for farm tours, workshops, farm experiences, as well as value purchases of local farm products, many offering specials and discounts by presenting a Passport to Ag booklet or Farm Bureau member card.

Crawlers use a Passport to Agriculture booklet to locate participating Farms including crawl details and offers. Use

the Passport to Ag to record visits and crawlers who turn in their passport to the CCFB office will be entered to a special drawing for gift cards to crawl locations.

This Crawl encourages adults and children of all ages to see that yes, Cook County agriculture does exist, and this is what it looks like.

For more information call 708-354-3276, visit https://cookcfb.org/discover-local/farm-crawl-event, or email membershipdebbie@cookcfb.org.

The CCFB is the county's largest general farm organization and is dedicated to bridging the gap between farmers and urban consumers. Through education programs targeting youth and their parents and programs designed to connect farmers with potential consumers.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION REGIONS BANK DBA REGIONS MORTGAGE Plaintiff,

-v- AGNIESZKA SOSNOWSKA, MICHAEL GLADYS, AKA MICHAL GLADYS, 474 NORTH LAKE SHORE DRIVE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants,

22 CH 01544 474 N. LAKESHORE DR. #2404 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 July 11, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 17, 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 474 N. LAKESHORE DR. #2404, CHICAGO, IL 60611 Property Index No. 17-10-222-007-1094 fka 17-10-219-001-0000 & 17-10-222-002-0000; 17-10-222-007-1857 fka 17-10-219-001-0000 & 17-10-222-002-0000 The real estate is improved with a residential condominium. The judgment amount was \$324,603.52. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale

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with 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. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. 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 1639778. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.jscc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC 601 E. William St. DECATUR IL, 62523 217-422-1719 Fax #: 217-422-1754

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E-Mail: CookPleadings@hsbattys.com Attorney File No. 1639778 Attorney Code. 40387 Case Number: 22 CH 01544 TJSC#: 42-2568

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION THE NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY Plaintiff,

-v- JEROME KARP, LINDA B. KARP A/K/A LINDA BOYD KARP, TOWN OF CICERO, 222 EAST CHESTNUT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, THE KELSEY KARP TRUST, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants THE KELSEY KARP TRUST.

Counter- Plaintiff -vs- JEROME KARP, LINDA B. KARP A/K/A LINDA BOYD KARP, THE NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY, TOWN OF CICERO, 222 EAST CHESTNUT CONDOMINIUM, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Counter-Defendants

2017 CH 6234 222 E. CHESTNUT, UNIT 13 B 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 July 18, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 19, 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 222 E. CHESTNUT, UNIT 13 B, CHICAGO, IL 60611 Property Index No. 17-03-221-011-1054

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The real estate is improved with a residential condominium. The judgment amount was \$330,865.35. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION Plaintiff,

-v- MICHAEL STANLEY, 5455 EDGEWATER PLAZA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants

2020 CH 00048 5455 N SHERIDAN RD UNIT 503 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 10, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 20, 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 5455 N SHERIDAN RD UNIT 503, CHICAGO, IL 60640 Property Index No. 14-08-203-016-1025 The real estate is improved with a condominium. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR GSA HOME EQUITY TRUST 2004-11; Plaintiff, vs. ROSE MILLS; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.; DAVID LAUNIUS; NANCY LAUNIUS; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants, 19 CH 12619 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 12, 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. 14-29-227-014-0000. Commonly known as 1123 West Wolfram Street, Chicago, IL 60657. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a multi-family residence. The successful purchaser is entitled to possession of the property only. The purchaser may only obtain possession of units within the multi-unit property occupied by individuals named in the order of possession. 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 Law Clerk at Plaintiff's Attorney, The Wirbicki Law Group, 33 West Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois 60603. (312) 360-9455. W19-0921

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

-v- LEE M BERENBAUM, KAREN BERENBAUM, HAWTHORNE COURT TOWNHOME CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants 19 CH 01241 1155 WEST ROSCOE, UNIT 1155 CHICAGO, IL 60657 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on May 22, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on 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/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

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# City to host Small Business Expo at Truman College

The city's Dept. of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection [BACP] is hosting a Small Business Expo 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, at Truman College, McKeon Building, 1145 W. Wilson Ave.

The expo will feature resources from nonprofit and government agencies, workshops presented by local business service organizations, and a networking hour to meet and connect with other current and aspiring business owners.

A keynote address by entrepreneur Corey Gilkey, hopes to offer attendees with takeaways to pursue their dreams of business ownership.

The expo will offer free resources to business owners and entrepreneurs, with the opportunity to network, consult, gather information and expert advice on topics such as licensing, financing, and business planning. Over 25 government and non-profit

agencies will be onsite to offer one-on-one guidance. City of Chicago business licensing consultants will also be on hand to help attendees apply or renew for a business license, walk through the steps of obtaining a business license, or make an appointment for additional counseling at City Hall.

Also available to attendees will be free professional headshots to be used for marketing materials, along with sales pitch training, consumer protection information, financial resources, Chicago labor laws compliance information, and a tax clinic.

"I encourage current and emerging business owners to come out and take advantage of the free resources," said BACP Commissioner Kenneth J. Meyer. The expo "will provide professional resources for attendees no matter where they are in the business journey. The access to such information in one location is un-

paralleled."

Keynote speaker Gilkey is the founder of Leaders1354, Focusgroup Inc., and additional business ventures with social missions. He claims to work at carrying the values of community empowerment through the creation of leadership opportunities, mentorship,

artistry, and innovation.

The Expo hopes to provide free, expert advice to entrepreneurs on topics including licensing, marketing, financing, and business planning.

Workshops include Steps to Start a Small Business, presented by the Uptown Chamber of

Commerce; Show Me the Money - SBA Loan Programs for Small Businesses presented by the U.S. Small Business Admin. A networking hour starts at 1 p.m.

To register for the free, visit Chicago.gov/BizExpo, call 312-744-2086, or email BACP outreach@cityofchicago.org.

## Suzanne Jackson at Three Arts tonight

The Arts Club of Chicago, 201 E. Ontario St., will host a free public exhibition on "Suzanne Jackson: Listen' N Home," tonight 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. There will be an interview with the artist at 6 p.m.

Jackson has been making art professionally since the 1960s—first in Los Angeles, where she founded the artist-run space Gallery 32, and eventually in Savannah, GA, where she moved to teach in 1996.

Through a selective representation of her works from the past 25 years, as well as a newly made installation, the exhibition at The Arts Club of Chicago presents Jackson's turn to environmental abstraction, marking the territory and trajectory of her late-life breakthrough paintings.

Jackson's relocation to the south in the 1990s marked a shift in her visual idiom, which became more abstract, three-dimensional, and environmental. She worked intensively, yet in relative obscurity,

during this period of her life in the building that remains to this day both her working and living space. The paintings and related drawings made in this era developed physical layers, warped surfaces, or projecting forms that incorporated materials of the studio and domestic life.

For more information call 312-787-3997 or write to information@artsclubchicago.org.

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Guests will enjoy food, drinks and music and can look over their latest exhibit "As Time Goes By in Edgewater 1885 to the Present," "Indigenous Edgewater: Exploring Native History," "The Best of Broadway" and "Lost Broadway."

Tickets are \$50 per person.

"Everything comes from one thing, everything comes from the Spirit. Jazz would not exist had it not been for gospel music, the blues would not exist had it not been for spiritual blues, which goes back to slave songs our fore fathers were singing while they were out in the field.

So it's all one continuous growth from one group of people. Of course jazz now is played by various cultures and colors around the world. But the stimulus is One Voice." — Ramsey Lewis

**COVENT** from p. 1

The Covent in Lincoln Park.

The city claimed that the “loss of these effectively irreplaceable forms of affordable housing will likely force low-income households into homelessness, a dire outcome that will add to the already crushing burden on public and non-profit agencies that provide the homeless with protective care, social services, health care, psychological counseling, nutritional programs, and other necessary support.”

So they enacted the SRO and Residential Hotel Preservation Ordinance. The ordinance “shall be liberally construed and applied to achieve its purpose, to promote the public welfare by preserving SRO buildings and residential hotels, thereby sustaining the availability of affordable housing in neighborhoods throughout Chicago.”

The intent was to advance the City’s vital interests in reducing homelessness and maintaining an economically diverse

population. And demographically speaking, few neighborhoods on the North Side are more in need of diversity than Lincoln Park, where nearly 80% of the residents are White, followed by Hispanic (12.8%) and Asian (3.1%).

The mechanisms set forth in Sections 5-15-040 and 5-15-050 of the new ordinance means any action that transforms all or part of a covered property into any type of use, residential or non-residential, that does not fall into the category of any SRO building, SRO unit, residential hotel, or hotel unit, as well as the land upon which any single-room occupancy building or residential hotel sits, in the City of Chicago.

Any action resulting in the “complete or partial, interior or exterior, destruction of a covered property, or the combination of two or more units in a covered property to make a larger unit,” or any other action that results in the reduction of the number of units in a covered property was to be discouraged.

Subsection 5-15-040(b) of the ordinance says that the owner shall enter into a binding land-use agreement with the city providing that the proposed project “will create and/or retain at the property a number of units equal to a percentage of the number of units in the existing property as subsidized or unsubsidized affordable housing for very and extremely low-income individuals and families” and agreeing to maintain those units as subsidized or unsubsidized affordable housing for very and extremely low-income individuals and families for a period of not less than 20 years. Stiff penalty fees are attached to any project that does not follow the ordinance.

The fact the project got millions of dollars in federal, state and city funding, tax credits and grants to support the project makes one wonder about the effort put forth by the city to enforce their ordinances.

NHP Foundation originally bought the Covent Hotel for \$7 million back in 2016 and the project will be financed through

a HUD FHA loan as well as tax-exempt bonds, Low Income Housing Tax Credits financing, and historic tax credit equity.

The project was also gifted funding from from the Illinois Affordable Housing Trust Fund, the National Housing Trust Fund, and the federal HOME Investment Partnerships Program.

The 84-units of the larger building will include 12 studios, 30 one-beds, 24 one-bed plus dens, and 18 two-beds. On the ground floor, the lobby and amenity space will front W. Drummond Pl., but only 52 car parking spaces in an interior ground floor parking garage. The area surrounding this project has some of the most congested streets on the North Side.

The NHP Foundation is reportedly close to finalizing legal documentation with HUD before starting work later this month. The building is expected to begin deep foundations this fall and continue work for 18 months.

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staffing issues, a move that was followed by playwright Erika Dickerson-Despenza pulling the rights for her play “culled watah” due to “the white supremacist capitalist patriarchal values espoused by the board of directors at Victory Gardens Theater.”

Earlier, the theatre’s board placed Artistic Director Ken-Matt Martin on leave. Then Executive Director Roxanna Conner resigned in solidarity with Martin, leaving the company’s future in further chaos.

The head-chopping, and reported resignation and replacement of 10 board of director positions, adds new layers on top of the woke soap opera that has put the theater’s future in doubt.

The troubles became public and blew up in June when staff went on record trying to establish dominance over the theater’s

board of directors and officers. A series of dramatic and overly-verbose open letters and follow-up postings were put on various social media sites calling out the Board over the lack of movement in hiring a new executive director. That’s when then acting-artistic director Martin - the theater’s first Black artistic director - was put on leave. On June 30, Martin was terminated permanently from his position.

The theater had been running under Martin, Conner and Charles E. Harris II as board president, while the board undertook a search to hire a permanent executive director to work alongside Martin.

Two recent board decisions may have also exacerbated the trouble, encouraging staffers to go public. First was the refusal to hire that permanent executive director to replace Conner, though Martin and the staff claimed to have identified a desired

candidate for the post.

The other issue was the board’s decision to purchase a property adjacent to the theater. The staff had complained that management had been delaying maintenance, noting plumbing and a leaking roof they claim were a consistent problem.

In a July 6 statement released by Board Chairman Harris II, he refuted the staffs’ claims, calling their criticism of a recent real estate transaction a misunderstanding and asserting that “certain decisions must happen at the board level.” Harris, who is Black, did not address the allegations of racism in his statement.

A board spokesperson told Chicago Tribune theater critic Chris Jones that they

had “no intention of closing the historic Biograph or retiring the Victory Gardens name, and that details of what “support” for other groups meant would be forthcoming, but that it could include renting out the space at cost or offering other forms of support. Eventually, the spokesman said, the theater, which is not insolvent, hoped to return to producing its own work.” That spokesman told Jones that new operational employees will need to be hired at some point, likely a challenging task given weeks of high-profile conflict. It was also unclear, prior to the release of a detailed plan, what would happen to the theater’s education programs, many of which have attracted individual and foundation funding.

**MIGRATION** from p. 1

er buildings. It is thought that the lights on tall buildings confuse the navigation systems of birds unlucky enough to have these buildings in their flight path.

Short buildings along the lakefront (with extensive glass exteriors) can help save birds too by extinguishing exterior lighting and extinguishing interior lighting or drawing blinds each evening after 1 a.m. through Nov. 15, leaving the lights off until daylight. Buildings with lighted atria can save birds by reducing atrium lighting in

the early morning hours.

Lights from tall buildings can disrupt birds’ migratory paths, causing birds to circle buildings repeatedly, according to the CAS. As a result, many of them die from exhaustion or after colliding with a building.

More than 250 bird species migrate through Chicago, with about 5 million individual birds making the trip each year. According to the CAS, many of the birds killed at Loop buildings are small migrants from the tropics, like warblers, thrushes, tanagers and others.

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14-point lead making the score 21-7 at the half.

There was no quit in the Rams in the third quarter. In a play I have never seen, Rams’ defensive end Dane Barkeley slashed into the Lions backfield and basically took the handoff from Lions quarterback Charlie Dolsen returning it 25 yards down to the Lions 20 yard line. The Rams evened the score with two late third quarter touchdowns going into the fourth quarter.

The next move was up to the Archibald’s Lions who returned to the jet sweeps that had been so effective in the first quarter. On the first play of the fourth quarter, the Lions took the lead back with a touchdown scored making the score 28-21.

Staying with ball control the Lions managed to hold the ball most of the rest of the fourth quarter. Nix added another touchdown on a fourth down slant pass reception making the score 35-21. An interception

thrown by the Ram’s Rodriguez with 2:40 left was returned for a touchdown putting the game out of reach 42-21 with two minutes to go.

“We keep talking about getting over that hump. We are making baby steps now, we are making strides. But they got us. We made some silly mistakes. Those guys are talented,” said DePaul Prep head coach Mike Passarella.

“We have a legit chance. If we beat the teams we are capable of beating, we are in the playoffs,” he added.

“[Nix] made three plays over two guys. We’ve got to work on ball skills. We have got to work on some of the small things. It’s those small things where we are just not locked in. That’s the adversity we talked about.”

DePaul now faces Leo High School on Friday for the championship of the two-team CCL/ESCC Red Division.



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