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Former Uptown 160-unit SRO hotel now 80 market-rate apartments

A classic old Uptown SRO building building that is now under construction, means the loss of 160 affordable Single Room Occupancy [SRO] units.

The loss of those 160 units at The Lorali, 1039 W. Lawrence Ave., seems to be in direct conflict with current city ordinance regulating the preservation of SRO's.

The Lorali has been empty since 2019, and is the latest Uptown project that will see formerly affordable housing turned into market-rate apartments on the North Side.

Work is now underway that will result in a mix of micro-studio apartments through two-bedrooms units. There will also be a rooftop deck, a dog park, bicycle parking, gym and 5,000 square feet of commercial space. Once on the market, rents may range from about $1,300 for a studio to $2,500 for the larger two-bedrooms.

Built in 1926, The Lorali was originally known as the Viceroy Hotel, and it served the Uptown entertainment district back in its heyday.

Years later, the building was turned into a SRO hotel with tiny units rented on a daily or weekly basis at cheap rates to people who otherwise could face homelessness.

That all ends now, in the quickly gentrifying area that was once known by the locals as "Funky Town."

North Side SRO units are again on the outs, despite the city's claims that they want to preserve them.

In 2015, the City Council determined that SRO buildings

SRO *see p. 16*

Lakefront windmills would kill countless birds and bats using the Burnham Wildlife Corridor

BY PETER VON BUOL

Not many residents of Chicago realize that the city sits in the center one of the greatest migration routes on earth, the Mississippi Flyway. More than 325 bird species make the round-trip each year along the Mississippi Flyway, from their breeding grounds in Canada and the northern United States to their wintering grounds along the Gulf of Mexico and in Central and South America.

From Whooping Cranes, to Least Terns, Plovers, Turnstones and Prothonotary Warblers… yes, millions of them pass by twice a year.

Now, countless birds and bats would be killed each and every spring and fall if the General Assembly approves a renewable energy bill introduced by two state legislators, State Rep. Marcus Evans [33rd] and State Sen. Bob Peters [13th]. If passed, and signed by the governor, this could place an offshore wind farm right along Chicago's southeast side.

Sadly, those wind farms are covert bird choppers, with a license to kill.

Their proposed location would be about 15 miles out into Lake Michigan off the Illinois International Port District. While the 185-page bill does not guarantee the wind farm's construction or location, it does create a framework for completing the farm by allowing the state to apply for federal infrastructure funds. The bill would require the Illinois Power Agency to seek wind farm project proposals within 360 days of passage.

Every spring and fall, the entire expanse of Lake Michigan and its shorelines is a major migratory roadway for birds of all kinds. Many never make it to their destinations for a variety of reasons.

Photo courtesy of Werner Buol

According to wildlife biologists with the American Bird Conservancy [ABC], more than half a million birds are killed in the U.S. each year in collisions with wind turbines alone.

"Lake Michigan, and the Great Lakes more generally, host some of the greatest densities and diversities of migratory birds in North America," said Lewis Grove, Director of Wind and Energy for the American Bird Conservancy.

"The lakes are situated directly along the Mississippi Flyway, one of the major migration corridors on the continent, and millions of migratory birds pass through this area each year. Responsible wind energy development in this area would need to include robust risk

WINDMILLS *see p. 16*

Show us the money!

Your friendly local media kicks off fundraiser Oct. 3

If you ever wanted to help support local community media and journalism in Chicago this is the time. An effort undertaken during the depth of the 2020 pandemic lockdown is being carried on now for the third year, the Chicago Independent Media Alliance fundraiser [CIMA]. This year's effort runs from Oct. 3 through Oct. 17.

The CIMA is a partnership of independent, local, and community-driven media entities coming together in the spirit of collaboration, especially in creating new revenue streams and heightening independent media's visibility. That includes this newspaper you're reading right now.

In our first year, close to $160,000 was raised, yet there is still a need for additional support. CIMA's joint media fundraiser began as a direct response to the COVID-19 pandemic when we learned that 63% of our partners were facing a significant decline in revenue due to the state-wide economic shutdown.

CIMA's goal is to create a self-sustaining media ecosystem in Chicago to better inform and serve Chicago and all of its diverse citizens. Our 61 partners in the alliance include traditional print newspapers, independently produced podcasts, dynamic video production studios, and non-profit newsrooms focusing on key issues that affect the fabric of the city. Almost every city neighborhood is served by this collection of local media outlets.

This wide range of independent media produce local content for all types of Chicagoans. In total, CIMA collaborates with 61 media partners across the city, and for this year's campaign we are hosting a fundraiser for 40 of those outlets.

Slashed advertising budgets and the sudden canceling of scheduled events deeply affected independent media's viability. Although improvement is underway, these conditions have persisted and created unsteady conditions that still affect local media's sustainability to this day. CIMA's annual cam-

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'Success'… Amazon fleeing Lincoln Square

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Western Ave. corridor meeting Oct. 6

The City of Chicago is hosting a virtual presentation to show citizens what the city's vision for the Western Ave. corridor is, 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6. Guests may register for the meeting at www.Chicago.gov/WesternAve.

Members of the public can review a draft of the report and take a survey to provide feedback after the meeting through Nov.1 on the corridor website.

The Western Avenue Corridor Study is a planning initiative led by the Dept. of Planning and Development and the Dept. of Transportation to redevelop a five-mile section of Western between Addison and Howard streets.

For more information visit Chicago.gov/WesternAve.

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Let's reinvent the way we speak about the great dangers that lurk

By Thomas J. O'Gorman

Do you ever put sugar in your corn bread?

Do you limit your intake of your fried foods?

Have you ever eaten catfish?

Well, I raise these oddball questions because I think they can offer some healthy insight into the character of American culture. Or at least the character of North and South of our nation as they stare into each other's faces. Those faces still have honest visible challenges of styles, tastes, politics, loyalties and beverages.

Americans in the South firmly believe that sugar should never be added to any cornbread recipe, as introducing a sweetness that is needless and altering the harmony of flavors is bad form.

Whereas their Northern neighbors long for the sweetness of cake.

Northerners have a fatal fear of frequent fried foods as a detriment to good health. Southerners see them as a birthright, further asking, do you toss out your bacon grease, or cook with it? Bacon grease can cause fear on many menus, but its essential smokey flavor is seen as a condiment in many Southern kitchens.

Catfish, on the other hand is a healthy, natural favorite food on the tables of Southern cooks. They are a sweet, freshwater fish. Scaleless and snout-nosed. Boney and whiskered.

But many Northern folk can't get past the name.

The Hopleaf Bar in Andersonville just took their catfish sandwich off the menu, such a loss. It was one of this newspaper's favorite sandwiches.

I recall summer vacations my family took that had us driving through the South. Of course there were a million signposts of daily life that we recognized as familiar in the days before Netflix, HBO, cable TV, round-the-clock television and the internet.

America back in the 1950s had many cultural divides. Language was one of them.

A respectful easy addition to everyone's good manners for Southerners is their charming custom of calling all men of a certain age, "Sir." And addressing women of every age, as "Ma'am." Usage creates a winning intimacy between strangers and friends alike.

Though many Northerners fear the more limited availability of indoor plumbing in the rural geography of the South, it doesn't prevent Southerners from referring to public bathrooms as "restrooms." Whereas their Northern cousins reference "washrooms." It's not written in stone. But it is a particular cultural use of regional language. Like the British looking for a "loo."

Another is that quaint custom in the South to litter everyday language with tender euphemisms like "honey," "sugar" and "darlin'" without any conscious feeling of discomfort. You can't get away with that anymore, in the North, especially in urban communities. Some patriot will poke your eyes out, darlin'.

If you've ever shopped at a Piggly Wiggly supermarket in the South, you know that folk refer to their shopping cart as a "buggy." In the North, it might be a trolly, but never a lolly.

Do you like creamy potato salad or vinegary? Have you ever eaten okra? Do you like college football more than pro?

Do you ever use instant coffee? All of these are tell-tale signs that we are still a bifurcated nation. Like Flems and Waloons in Belgium. Do we really speak the same language?

On my family's see-America travels we were foreigners in a foreign land, state capitol after capitol, with our Land of Lincoln license plate on the car. Especially as we always had an Irish grandmother in tow. Their soft, lilting expressions from the old country, charmed so engagingly back on Chicago's South Side, dotting their conversation with a fast pace 'cat let out of the bag.'

Wherever we went, they helped us to be outsiders.

Don't get me wrong, that was many decades ago. We always found locals were friendly folk. Helpful. Welcoming, and happy to take our cash. Despite their affection for instant coffee or sweet tea.

But back then, in the Eisenhower Era, Southern accents were a part of the landscape. No one was learning to speak or be educated by the television they watched.

All life was local.

No chance that listening to all that television programing from New York from the Today Show in the a.m. to Jack Paar in the p.m. was going to affect the timeless rhythms of local drawls and accents. All unfolding like a Tennessee Williams' play, or a Truman Capote short story. There was a certain American charm to it.

But time and exposure to other cultural forces went on to have a profound impact on the lessening of Southern cultural expression. Big Southern cities like Atlanta are a good example. A lot of corporate workers from the North now call the South home. They have Major League Baseball thanks to our Bill Bartholomay. And fine restaurants.

But also many new voters. And transplants seeking public office creating fresh political plans for the future. The old bosses have evaporated. The old issues have fresh understanding. Where is Huey Long today?

It does pay to have a few extra hundred thousand new voters run the data through fresh minds and eyes.

I'm thinking about that as we are revving up for election season here in Chicago. And as the quality of life in Chicago is quickly deteriorating, it would be wondrous to settle in a large batch of reasoned and intelligent voters.

People who actually show up at the polling place on election day to cast a real ballot, rather than 'mail-it-in.'

Maybe that would introduce a new language to Chicago living. One free from the traditions of the past. One more focused on the tragic vocabulary of our present urban crisis here.

Perhaps we could even learn to speak the same language to one another. Speech littered with the charm of words like "alderman indicted." Or "carjackings are at an all time high." Or "more teens shot on the South Side," and "more teens dead from Fentanyl overdoses." And "uh-oh, Mayor Lightfoot's running again." You know, words that tell the truth, like "reverse migration" with all the Northern transplants now turning states like Tennessee and Florida into far Southern suburbs of Chicago. North Siders calling the American South "home."

Justice Anne Burke. *Photo courtesy of Jason Marck/WBEZ*

We need to reinvent the way we speak to each other so that we can be clear about the great dangers and catastrophes that lurk about our neighborhoods and corridors of City Hall. No euphemisms. Tell the truth.

We need to reinvent our language so that we can understand each other. And discover reasonable ways out of the traumas that break our hearts. Neighborhood by neighborhood. After all, sometimes the catfish is better than we expect. And the cornbread is naturally sweet.

43RD WARD: There's a new sheriff in town. Ald. **Timmy Knudsen**, chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals was recently appointed alderman of the 43rd Ward. He's off my radar screen. While one ward to the north, **Bennett Lawson** kicked off his campaign for alderman of the 44th Ward. Friends and neighbors in Lakeview will miss **Tom Tunney**, but are lucky to have such a qualified candidate.

TEMPUS FUGIT: Anne McGlone Burke has worked tirelessly her whole life for the law in Illinois. It's fair to say she was shaped by the intriguing justice that it unfolded for people of the Prairie. The settlement of the heartland of the nation in civility and human achievement was no accident. Illinois' embrace of the Law set it on the road to great accomplishments. Justice Burke is now retiring from the Illinois Supreme Court, a place she helped to shape by her dedication to hard work and expansive knowledge of our state's Constitution.

HIGH TIMES: Are you all stoned? Pot tax collections are through the roof in Illinois. Yo, homie! Cool it on the Mary Jane. **Gov. JB Pritzker** has seen a 50% increase in total tax collections from adult-use weed, from $297.7 million in 2021 to $445.3 million in fiscal year 2022. That's a lot of dope! Total adult-use pot sales

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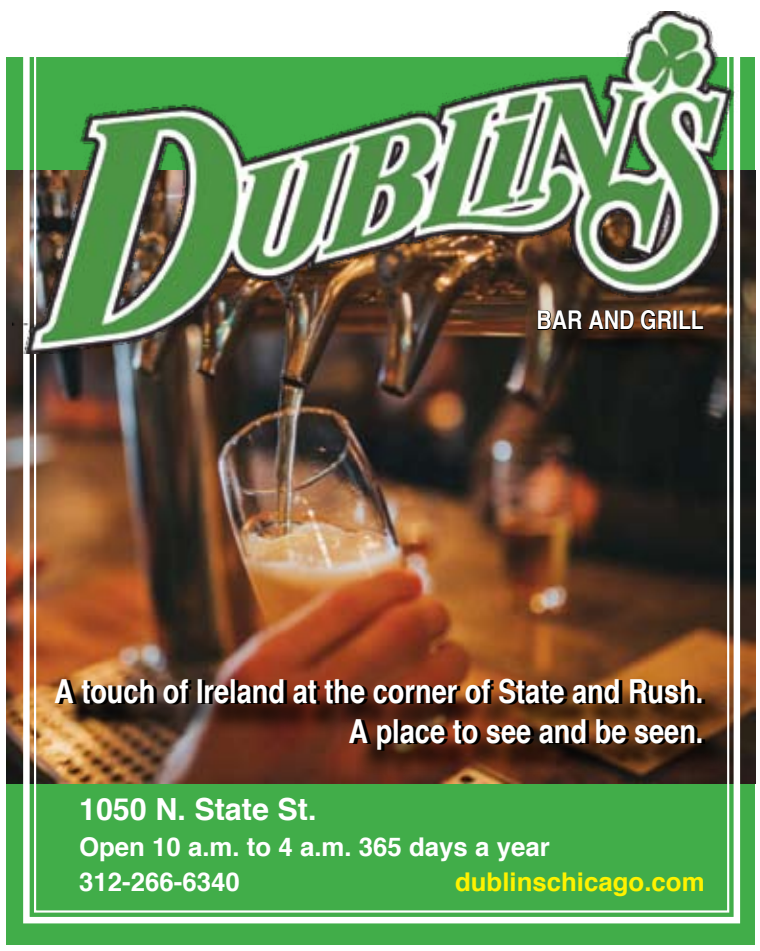

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Kevin Kenerly as Montrellous, left, and Garrett Young as Jason in "Clyde's." Left to right: Reza Salazar as Rafael, Danielle Davis as Clyde, Nedra Snipes as Letitia.

Lincoln Parker Sean, 4, with his mom, Han, at Alamo Drafthouse's 25th anniversary party at the Lincoln Park Zoo.

Goodman's "Clyde's" serves up a heap of laughs, food for thought

Plus, happenings and newsworthy notes

Heart of the 'Hood

by Felicia Dechter

If you're looking for a modern, real world show to see, be sure to check out, "Clyde's," running through Oct. 9 at the Goodman Theatre, 151 N. Dearborn St.

"Clyde's" is the story of four kitchen workers and their boss, at a truck stop sandwich shop in Berks County, Pennsylvania. It's a place usually frequented by "those looking for shortcuts, detours or merely escape."

Its employees are an endearing bunch of former jailbirds -- formerly incarcerated folks who've done their time and are now facing the harsh reality of what they can find as far as employment goes. They land in the kitchen at Clyde's, and Clyde happens to be a take- no-B.S. woman who once was in prison herself.

We see the struggles of the foursome, but also their hopes and dreams, which include making the absolutely perfect, delicious sandwich. All I know is, by the time I left the show I was starving!

Opening night, Clyde was played by understudy Danielle Davis. I don't know what the principal who usually stars as Clyde is like, but how she'd do a better job than Davis well, I just don't know. Davis was spot-on in the role -- sassy and hot-tempered with lots of attitude. And the girl wears her outfits extremely well.

And I have to give a shout out to the rest of the cast, because each played their role so superbly. Nedra Snipes was hilarious as Letitia, and let me tell you, she does a mean job at twerking. Garrett Young as the snot-wiping then food-touching Jason made us all cringe because you know it could and probably does happen it reality. Reza Salazar made me want to get up and salsa dance with his very funny character Rafael, and Kevin Kenerly, as the smooth-as-silk Montrellous, added a little Zen and calmness to the calamity.

"Clyde's" gives us the point of view of those who've spent time in jail and now are trying to rebuild their lives. It's no easy task as we see. The characters remind us that these are real people facing enormous struggles. They also remind us to have a heart.

"Clyde's," dishes out not only a heap of laughs but also a generous portion of reality. Kudos to Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Lynn Nottage and director Kate Whoriskey for providing us with a thought-provoking, delightful play to launch Goodman's 2022/2023 season.

Superman would be proud! … of the high-flying, adventurous Igoe family of East Rogers Park, who recently raised $685 for the Special Olympics by doing some serious rollercoaster riding at Great America. Their team, "The High Rollers," rode a total of 116,687 feet or about 22 miles, according to Igoe mom Anne, who completed this amazing (and brave) feat with her son Jon (who was especially excited about the Superman ride), daughter Annie, and husband Will.

Way to go to this bunch of thrill-seeking Special Olympics supporters.

Arty party… anyone on the streets of Rogers Park has more than likely seen artist Zhanna Biletska painting away, creating colorful, true-to-life works of art, many of which are of homes in the neighborhood. Come meet Biletska and her fellow artist and friend, Fabiola Roquena, at an opening reception for an exhibit the pair have put together at 5 p.m. Saturday at Leona's, 6935 N. Sheridan Rd.

Zhanna Biletska, left, and Fabiola Roquena.

Relax to a pianist, have a snack and see the paintings, said Biletska, who will be exhibiting works from her recent, month-long trip to Puerto Rico, as well as watercolors from Hawaii and scenes from Rogers Park and downtown Chicago. Roquena will exhibit some of her stunning portraits, Biletska said.

The display will be up through October, but Biletska hopes folks can come Saturday as Leona's is actually closed and only open sporadically while it's being used as an aldermanic campaign headquarters.

For that reason, "It's good if people can come to the opening," said Biletska, who has put a ton of work into putting the exhibit together as well as matting and framing the paintings and schlepping them to Leona's.

Biletska, who is from Ukraine (she was there visiting her family when the war with Russia started, escaping via Poland) said five-percent of any sales will go to

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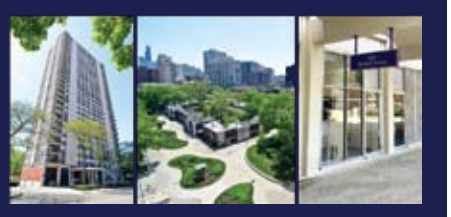

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Cloudy outlook for housing, and economy, as Fed pushes up interest rates

The Home Front

by Don DeBat

With rising interest rates and run-away inflation underway, the horizon is extremely cloudy for Chicago home buyers and apartment renters.

On Sept. 22, the Federal Reserve Board aggressively raised its key funds rate by a hefty 0.75% for the third consecutive time and signaled that more large interest hikes are coming before the end of 2022.

It's a hot mess right now, and we've not yet seen the bottom.

In an effort to cool inflation to a targeted 2% from the current 8.3%, the Fed boosted its benchmark short term funds rate to a range of 3% to 3.25%—the highest level since early 2008.

The move immediately pushed benchmark 30-year-fixed mortgage rates to an average of 6.29% nationwide from 6.2% a week earlier, reported Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey. A year ago, 30-year fixed loans averaged only 2.88%.

"The housing market continues to face headwinds as mortgage rates increased again," said Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

This new hike pushed the 10-year Treasury rate—the gauge economists use to forecast 30-year-fixed mortgage interest charges—to 3.51%, its highest level since 2011.

Forecasters predict that the Fed will boost its benchmark funds rate to 4.4% by year's end, and up to 4.6% in 2023. That would be the highest level since 2007. Based on these moves by the Fed, mortgage analysts say 30-year fixed home loans easily could reach or surpass the 7% level by the end of 2022.

By earlier interest-rate standards, that still could be considered affordable. In 1994, when this writer launched The Home Front column in the Pioneer Press newspapers, benchmark 30-year fixed mortgage rates averaged 8.75% and were inching toward 9%.

Twenty-eight years ago, home buyers needed an income of $46,200 to qualify for a $100,000 home loan on a typical $125,000 house with a monthly payment of $1,078.

Today, a borrower who places a 20% down payment and takes out a 30-year fixed rate loan of $300,000 at 6% interest this week would make a monthly principal and interest payment of about $1,800.

"Impacted by higher rates, house prices are softening, and home sales have decreased. But despite this decrease in sales, the number of homes for sale remains well below normal levels," Khater said.

Fifteen-year fixed-rate mortgages rose to an average of 5.44% nationwide on Sep. 22 from 5.21% a week earlier, Freddie Mac reported. A year ago, the 15-year fixed loan averaged only 2.15%.

The Freddie Mac survey is focused on conventional, conforming, fully amortizing home purchase loans for borrowers who put 20% down and have a FICO score of 740. Borrowers with lower credit scores will pay a higher interest rate.

Landlords feel the pinch

Apartment owners also are feeling the pinch of creeping inflation and soaring real estate taxes. And, those forces are causing rents to rise.

"What this means for real estate investors is that debt is becoming very expensive very quickly," said Veena Jetti, founder of Vive Funds, a national real estate investment firm. "To keep asset values high, rental prices are continuing to steadily increase in our core markets."

In Chicago, annual rent increases currently average 4.5% in North Side walk-up buildings. However, pandemic "catch up hikes" of up to 20% have occurred in posh downtown high-rises, experts say.

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

Property tax bills delayed until after the election

The Tax Year 2021 Second Installment Property Tax due date has yet to be determined. It is expected they will go out sometime after the upcoming elections.

The mailing of the bills is dependent on the completion of data by Cook County and state of Illinois public agencies. When the Cook County Treasurer's office receives that data, they will be able to print and mail the bills.

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Ukraine Humanitarian Aid. Another five-percent will go to Bill Morton's aldermanic campaign as he is donating the space, she said. Even if you're not a Morton supporter, please come and meet this pair of exceptionally-talented artists, who are members of Plein Air Painters Chicago.

"I hope people will enjoy Puerto Rico and other paintings in the exhibit," said Biletska.

I'm 100% sure they will. See you there.

One wild night … was the Alamo Drafthouse Cinema's 25th anniversary Rolling Roadshow party at the Lincoln Park Zoo last week. Attendees roared with happiness at seeing either the "The Lion King," or "CATS," movie on a big screen right next to the lion house. Face painting was offered, fun rides on the carousel and the train, and, an added bonus was seeing the six-month-old male lion cub, the adorable Pilipili, named after the Swahili word for Pepper. What a treat it was to experience that in a closed, after-hours zoo!

The Texas-based Alamo Drafthouse, a movie, food and drinks experience, is set to open come spring on Clark St. across from Wrigley Field. After seeing how they like to throw a really cool party, we're excited for what they'll bring to Lakeview.

Monster Mash… Whoa! My family had such a blast at the action-packed, adrenalin-charged, Monster Jam at the Allstate Arena in Rosemont that we can't wait until it comes back in early March.

If you have little ones it's so cool to take them and see their reactions. My four-and-a-half year old grandson, CJ, went crazy and my seven-year-old granddaughter, Sydney, was so charged up when my son recently surprised them with tickets.

Celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, Monster Jam features world-class athletes in intense competitions of speed and skill. These drivers are trained, world-class male and female athletes who have mastered not only the physical strength and mental stamina needed to compete, but the vital dexterity to control 12,000-pound machines capable of doing backflips, vertical two-wheel skills and racing at speeds up to 70 miles-per-hour to produce jaw-dropping, live motorsports action seen around the world.

If you haven't yet been to a Monster Jam, get there in March if you can.

And here's wishing a very Happy New Year to all of our Jewish readers. May your holidays and upcoming year be happy, healthy, blessed, and drama free!

The Igoe family rode 22 miles of rollercoasters at Six Flags to raise money for the Special Olympics. Left to right: Annie (in back), Anne, Jon and Will.

Monster Jam fans including Sydney and CJ checked out the spooky Grave Digger.

‘Success’… Amazon fleeing Lincoln Square

Deal falls apart when Amazon refuses to budge

BY PETER VON BUOL

In an email sent to his constituents, Ald. Andre Vasquez [40th] said an Amazon Fresh grocery store will not be replacing a branch of the Fifth Third Bank at 2420 W. Lawrence Ave. because the parent corporation of the Seattle-based e-commerce giant Amazon would not agree to a set of conditions Vasquez had set in place for redevelopment of a dominant corner of Lincoln Square.

Not dismayed from preventing a major employer coming to Lincoln Square, Vasquez described the negotiations as a success.

“After over a year of discussion, with no answers from Amazon, our community process allowed us to hold steady until we did. As that did not occur, Fifth Third Bank, which owns the land, informed our office that it had terminated its contract with Hubbard Street Group [HSG] last month,” wrote Vasquez.

While Vasquez said officials from HBS had been willing to listen to the concerns of the community and had been willing to negotiate details of the project, Amazon had not been interested in negotiating.

“Amazon, however, refused to provide any real solutions to the largest concern our community had - the effect on our local businesses. I had proposed early on that perhaps providing shelf- space for our local businesses could also provide revenue for the local [businesses] and create a community partnership. Amazon had little interest in doing so and could not provide a solution,” said Vasquez.

Negotiations to redevelop the underutilized site began in Feb. 2021 when the alderman was approached by Hubbard Street Group [HSG], a Chicago-based development company. At the time, officials with HSG said they were unable to disclose the name of the nationally known supermarket retailer interested in the location because they had signed a non-disclosure agreement [NDA].

At the time, grocery-store insiders speculated the retailer was most likely a bricks-and-mortar grocery store owned by Amazon, either Whole Foods or Amazon Fresh.

Dismayed by the NDA, Vasquez held a virtual community meeting with his constituents and sent out a survey to residents.

“The lack of transparency necessitated a community visioning meeting that was held in March, [2021] followed by a community survey. The survey made it clear that neighbors were concerned about the effect of a national grocer on our independent local businesses; a lack of affordable housing in any proposal; the effect on traffic at the Lawrence/Western intersection, and a need for more accessible sidewalk space on that corner.”

Later that year, in a move designed to bring Amazon to the bargaining table, Vasquez successfully had City Council downzone the entire property now occupied by the bank branch.

“Hearing that feedback through our community process, I [had the property downzoned] so that there could be more accountability [on] the proposed development. That led to good faith discussions with HSG where they committed to enter an elective Planned Development. After months of conversations, and insistence that nothing would move forward without

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Aldermanic NASCAR smackdown for Mayor

This summer Mayor Lori Lightfoot made quite a show of it, during her unilateral decision to bring NASCAR racing downtown. What she never expected was that the racing would come early.

As a result of ongoing concerns regarding drag racing and drifting downtown and in other nearby neighborhoods, the City Council has now limited the mayor’s powers to approve any new big downtown events.

Ald. Brendan Reilly [42nd] was chief among those who were disappointed in Lightfoot’s poorly executed NASCAR agreement, so he introduced the new ordinance. The new ordinance was also supported by aldermen Brian Hopkins [2nd], and Pat Dowell [3rd].

Last week the three introduced an ordinance that would require City Council approval in the future for this type of event. And the Mayor’s Office now needs to file paperwork twice a year with the City Council reporting on potential conflicts with the new regulations.

The contract negotiated by the Mayor’s Office allows NASCAR to close portions of Grant Park for up to a month, with no access to Buckingham Fountain or the Petrillo Band Shell for less than $1 million in rent, “which is pennies on the dollar when compared to Lollapalooza’s financial contribution to the City,” said Reilly.

“NASCAR is only required to provide a $50,000 security deposit to gain access to tens of millions of dollars worth of City infrastructure in and around Grant Park. The low security deposit amount is insufficient for an auto race that often involves major car crashes.”

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Unlike in Lollapalooza’s new deal, there are no provisions in the NASCAR contract requiring commitments to repair and replace damaged City streets or Park District infrastructure.

The new ordinance now requires City Council approval for any athletic event or special event that allows the closure of a state route, an arterial, more than four blocks of any other public way, or requires the closure of any portion of the public way for more than 24 consecutive hours; or anticipates more than 10,000 attendees.

The new regulations require that the City provide a copy of the permit application to the alderman within seven days of application, not less than 20-days from the event. “The [city] may not grant or deny an athletic event permit prior to receiving the recommendation from the applicable aldermen.”

Additionally, annually on Feb. 1 and Aug. 1, the City is now required to send City Council and the police a list of all athletic event permits granted which have not previously been reported.

If any event expects to have more than 10,000 attendees, the ordinance requires the event organizer must enter into an agreement with the City, outlining responsibilities around restoration of property, and reimbursement of City costs. The agreements would also be subject to City Council approval.

And any person - or mayor - who ignores the order could go to jail. Any person “violating any of the provisions of this section, or any of the provisions of the regulations promulgated hereunder, shall be fined not less than $200 nor more than $1,000, or may be subject to incarceration for up to 10 days, or both.”

What’s happening with Touhy Park?

Oct. 3 virtual meeting over Touhy Park’s vagrant campers

On Sept. 12, a notice was posted stating that the Touhy Park fieldhouse was closed, and that programs had been diverted to Pottawattomie Park. The Chicago Park Dist. [CPD] had in essence turned the popular park over to the vagrants and homeless campers.

The emotions of park users were rightfully enflamed, and the various sides of the issue faced-off to spill vitriol all over social media and the Internet.

Now there will be a community meeting 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 3 to take that debate further. The 49th Ward Office and CPD will host a virtual meeting about Touhy Park, 7348 N. Paulina St. This is a chance to hear directly from the CPD and city officials and ask questions. Just beware, most voices will be muted, as is generally the case with all online virtual meetings. The overall lack of open debate are no replacement for in-person meetings for difficult problems such as this. And public officials seldom feel the pressure to do something when 99% of the voices at a virtual meeting remain muted.

Guests must register to attend the meeting at bit.ly/TouhyPark. Spanish interpretation will be available.

Ald. Maria Hadden [49th] says that neither she nor her staff were notified by the CPD in this decision. “The CPD leadership has not honestly or productively engaged with residents or myself in a long-term plan for Touhy Park,” said Hadden.

Since the summer of 2021, homeless people have been camping in the western portion of the park. “I’ve done my best to work on housing people and bringing the park back into use for everyone, but this is a growing crisis and I’ve reached the limits of my resources and authority,” said Hadden. “We need the City and the CPD to come up with a plan. The CPD and the City have been promising a strategy and plan for how to best care for and provide services to people experiencing homelessness and ensure that the parks are available and safe for recreation for everyone. But it’s been over year and they have yet to share or act upon that plan.”

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paign has in turn served as an extra branch of support for participating Chicago outlets.

You can visit https://www.savechicagomedia.org/#donate-section to make a donation. The money raised goes directly to the outlets of your choosing (and those donations are matched), or you can select to have your donation split evenly among all. Your dollars will help Chicago's local community outlets continue to tell stories that matter to you.

And if you hurry you can triple your impact by donating on Oct., 3 or 4 - when several noted foundations are matching our raised funds. Yes, for every $1 you'd donate, we'd get $3. So show us the money!

CIMA believes that by collectively raising awareness and each other's visibility, we will not only generate audience growth but, most importantly, have a greater impact on keeping all of Chicago's citizens informed and educated on important news. To learn more about the Chicago Independent Media Alliance, visit indiemediachi.org.

In this year's campaign, we hope to highlight the great work outlets that have continuously produced whether it's investigative reports that held institutions of power accountable, caused a direct change, highlighted important community issues, and more.

In that effort, this newspaper has decided to introduce our readers to a community publisher who is serving a neighborhood we don't serve or generally cover. A neighborhood no doubt that many North Siders may never have visited.

Meet Justin Kerr

North Side Chicago, please meet Justin Kerr, owner, editor, publisher and janitor of the McKinley Park News. Justin works on a shoestring, banking five figures of annual income for his efforts. And no, not the high side of five-figures; the low side. No Tesla for Justin, his annual revenue might buy a 2009 Toyota Corolla and a tank of gas, as long as he bought that gas in Indiana.

In every sense, they are a by-the-bootstrap small news business with no outside investment or investors, with an initial startup budget of a couple thousand dollars.

The McKinley Park News covers the McKinley Park neighborhood… its people, institutions and enterprises by publishing community information and enabling channels of communication. It offers original and aggregated neighborhood news, plus a local events calendar and other neighborhood-focused features.

The single personnel resource involved in this effort is Kerr… he has received no payment or salary, although of course, developing enough revenue to pay for labor is one of the big business goals he's working toward. He is taking a business risk with his own time and money.

Kerr has kids, lots of them, and frankly they're eating him out of house and home… so please help him out with a donation. He's a nice guy, always there to pitch in and promote the betterment of his community. He lives and works on the block, and is the kind of guy every neighborhood needs.

Justin Kerr

He began his journalism and publishing career in the 1990s, while a student at Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism. He and his family moved to the McKinley Park neighborhood in 2008. Kerr says he "really enjoyed getting to know our local community and have found McKinley Park to be a convenient, affordable and safe neighborhood with some great amenities and lots of excellent people."

"Residing within our community offers an intimacy of local knowledge that no outside publication can match," says Kerr. "Few pay attention to McKinley Park, anyway: Both mainstream media and Chicago's "neighborhood" publications show up mostly for tragedies, if at all, and nearby print weeklies neither conduct reporting nor focus on the neighborhood." So in terms of content, the McKinley Park News stands alone.

Like many near-Southwest Side neighborhoods, McKinley Park has suffered from a dearth of information about the day-to-day local news and events that make up the fabric of the community. Kerr's McKinley Park News is old school in a new era of journalism. They operate with the highest standards of journalistic integrity in order to offer accurate, reliable and balanced accounting of the news affecting their neighborhood.

There is no wire news service serving his community, so Kerr has to cover and generate most all of what he publishes. He spends a lot of time networking in his community and pounding on a keyboard.

"Our intimate knowledge of McKinley Park steers the credulity we afford to sources and the information [we] relate," says Kerr. Yes even when the news does not jibe with the stance and tone afforded to local issues by other media outlets and communities.

In the course of local reporting, most community media are too small to play the bully. Local news outlets are small, and must navigate through various agendas, from political operatives, corporate interests, to woker-than-thou Zoom and social media warriors demanding their preferred narrative be marketed, facts be damned. Like rocks tossed at windows in the night, the pressure and attempts at intimidation goes with the turf.

"At the end of the day, we base our reporting and publishing on what we understand to be the truth of things, supported by our knowledge of the community and the best practices and standards of journalism," says Kerr. "We will never lie to you."

Kerr and his family have been active in many neighborhood and community groups, and he is one of the founders of the McKinley Park Development Council. Throughout his life he has been a Chicago resident, living in South Side neighborhoods the bulk of the time and enjoying the community, variety and neighborliness that this side of town engenders. "When I consider McKinley Park's place in this tableau, I see a neighborhood led by a very strong community with great potential for more improvements, responsible development and further bridges between our neighborhood's various enclaves."

The McKinley Park News presents important neighborhood information in a single place, helping connect the neighborhood's vibrant and diverse population. As a publishing business, it offers a variety of advertising and other services to customers who wish to connect with local consumers… but the net revenue is low and his costs are ever-rising. So this CIMA fundraiser is perhaps the largest single lump of income he may receive in 2022.

The coverage area of the McKinley Park News includes the entirety of the McKinley Park neighborhood, which stretches from Interstate 55 on the north to Pershing Rd. on the south, and the South Branch of the Chicago River (aka "Bubbly Creek") on the east to the CSX railroad tracks and viaduct on the west. The McKinley Park News also reports on the blocks touching the southern edge of Pershing Road, including the historic Central Manufacturing District.

It is Kerr's intent to expand their reach in time to serve adjacent neighborhoods. "Our publishing platform has been designed for this, as it is entirely modular in terms of design, structure and content; completely unencumbered by software or system licensing costs; and easily replicated, customized and redeployed."

The McKinley Park News has its origins in the McKinleyPark.org website, which first began listing local events in 2012 after Kerr acquired the domain name and built an interactive website to provide neighborhood news and information, as well as user memberships, discussion forums and online community features.

In Oct. 2016, the identity of the effort was changed to the McKinley Park News to more accurately reflect the activities and business focus of the publication, including adoption of the new mckinleypark.news domain name. In 2019, the McKinley Park News began operations as a commercial publication of Local News LLC. They offer free memberships that provide many additional features for logged-in users.

Kerr and The McKinley Park News want their community's trust and works hard to earn it. They do not offer cheaply manufactured narrative and opinion posing as fact, "our foundational focus on trust distinguishes our publication and business," said Kerr. He works hard at making the McKinley Park News a source his neighbors can turn to for reliable, factual and in-context information about "our wonderful neighborhood."

"Our editorial product emphasizes hard news," says Kerr. They do it by using established best practices and high ethical standards of quality community journalism. From integrating a wide span of viewpoints to publishing factually correct, verified information from disclosed sources, Kerr has based the fundamental premise of his product on the trust he earns almost daily.

Many news sources these days base their businesses on commercial exploitation of their own constituencies, chasing revenue by integrating the easy-to-use, ready-to-go tools of surveillance capitalism. Kerr and the McKinley Park News are the exception… they barely scrape by, while offering consistent, timely and pertinent content to their community.

These days most online media are treating media consumers as products instead of customers. It is the ultimate violation of trust when asking readers and users to give credence to online news and content. Facebook, TikTok, Snapchat, Google… their only product is you.

"At our neighborhood level, there is plenty of room for a news business to succeed as a legitimate and valued channel appropriately connecting buyers with sellers of relevant goods and services without using surveillance capitalism," said Kerr. Indeed those are the original and traditional roles of journalism businesses, he says.

"We host and control our own website software, content and data using the hosting services of a highly regarded commodity provider with a long track record in the industry and with our publication," said Kerr, whose standards for operations, privacy and security meet or exceed most of his contemporaries.

"We made decisions about how to host and serve our website" to protect users data. For many news sites the coding can be accomplished by pulling in resources from external sources managed by third parties like Google who use spyware and sell your personal information. However, for reasons tied to security, privacy, reliability and operational independence, the McKinley Park News hosts and serves their home-brewed code from their own systems and environment to protect their reader's data.

At every opportunity and as a matter of policy, the McKinley Park News integrates third-party tools and content only when required to support a capacity they cannot deliver themselves, and considering users' privacy and security to the fullest extent possible.

The McKinley Park News is unique in that it covers a single Southwest Side neighborhood. But this is not intended as a hobby for Kerr, it's a business, and like all businesses, it needs revenue to grow and survive. They deserve the support that would be provided by supporters of community news who donate to the 2022 CIMA campaign. And if you have an interest in McKinley Park, well, Kerr's site is the place to go, so take out an annual subscription.

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Catalpa kaput

Aldermen announce plans to close down Catalpa, eliminate parking

The survey says, … Catalpa St. in Andersonville is kaput. And City Hall, biking activists and pedestrian-focussed urban planners have now won another battle in their war against car and truck traffic on commercial thoroughfares.

A less then scientific online survey conducted over the last month shows that of the 462 respondents, 346 (75%) of those who voted want to see the section of Catalpa St. between Clark St. and Ashland Ave. closed down in favor of a public plaza.

It should be noted that there were no checks or verification requirements in participating in the survey, leaving it open to manipulation by activists. If each online survey participant owned a cell phone, tablet, laptop and desktop computer, the survey allowed for one person to take the survey four times. Biking activists in particular tend to show up in large numbers to flood the zone on online surveys that offer a chance to limit vehicle traffic.

Ald. Andre Vasquez [40th] sent out the results in his weekly newsletter on Sept. 23, saying that a working group will now be formed to meet with the chosen design team, comprised of people chosen from the 40th and 48th wards.

This stretch of Catalpa St. is being eliminated. It separates a Jewel grocery parking lot from a Walgreens parking lot, and now provides 25 to 30 metered parking spaces for Andersonville's main commercial district. Metered public parking that turns over quickly is critical infrastructure for congested commercial districts like Clark St. in Andersonville. People who think they may use the two parking lots adjacent to Catalpa once the metered parking is lost may find their cars booted once private booting spreads to Andersonville.

Those who would be most negatively affected by closing down the street are residents to the east in the 48th Ward, as that is one of the few access roads to Ashland Ave.

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A working group from nearby Andersonville block clubs, the Chamber of Commerce, Peirce School, and the 40th and 48th Ward offices will work with the City's design team.

A request was made to the Chicago Dept. of Transportation [CDOT] to install a left turn arrow at Bryn Mawr and Clark for northbound cars turning west towards Ashland, to help with the coming traffic back ups expected to occur with the road closure. Additionally, CDOT also is in the early process of installing a new traffic signal at Ashland and Berwyn for additional

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Letter to the Editor

Catalpa Plaza a nice idea, but ill conceived

With regard to the Catalpa Plaza [News Star, Aug. 17], the 48th Ward will be impacted by the planned closure much more than the 40th Ward.

Catalpa Ave. is the best option west from Sheridan Rd. on the east including all of the 5400-5500 north blocks to Glenwood Ave.

Bryn Mawr Ave. is mostly impassable during the school year. Not just due to student drop-offs and pick-ups but also with Chicago Public School food delivery trucks etc. It is also very congested with trucks heading to and from Clark St. for deliveries, making it difficult to go west to Ashland. It is quite difficult to exit the alleys (5500 north blocks of Wayne, Lakewood and Magnolia avenues) at Bryn Mawr Ave. due to the sight line making pedestrians, dog walkers, bike riders and cars hard to see when exiting the alley.

That's why so many of us use Catalpa Ave. to go west.

Gregory St. and Glenwood Ave. are a problem with Peirce School (1423 W Bryn Mawr Ave.) parents at drop-off and pick-up times from school. I am boxed in by one way streets with multiple speed humps and traffic circles and stop signs.

The neighborhood fought for the stop light and mail box at Catalpa and Ashland avenues for a very long time. It was a win/win for pedestrians coming from the 40th Ward and made driving much safer while crossing Ashland for residents of the 48th Ward. The drive-up mailbox is super convenient.

The westbound traffic lane of Catalpa Ave. is used daily all year long. Will the Plaza be used daily? Even three days a week? Good weather only?

While I drive west on Catalpa Ave. 4-5 times a week I am never the only car on the block. A traffic study was done to see if the cars could be absorbed by the neighborhood. Was a study done to see how many cars use westbound Catalpa Ave. and use the convenient mailbox?

Not everyone gets the ward email or is on Facebook. I've talked to tenants who live on Catalpa Ave. who think that [commenting] is for property owners only and that they have no voice.

Will there be flyers handed out with meetings announced to all affected Block Club residents? I have concerns that not all voices are being heard.

The Plaza is a great idea, if one lane of traffic westbound is maintained. I have seen Ald. Vasquez's posts on Facebook looking for comment on the Plaza. Will comments be accepted from outside of the affected area? Will biking activist groups have control of what happens in our neighborhood? The bike riders seem adamant to close "everything" to cars. This bike/car polarization is getting worse. Wouldn't it be better to give both groups access to what they desire?

With the closure of Catalpa Ave. and elimination of parking, Ald. Vasquez was vague on where the parking meters would be re-located. "Lots of room on Western." Will they end up on Ashland Ave. in front of peoples homes?

As a real estate broker, I am unable to bike my clients around to show properties. There are a substantial number of business people who require their car and access to Ashland Ave. as well as elderly, disabled and mom's with kids.

This isn't Amsterdam. What about police and fire dept. vehicles?

Years ago Malden St. at Sunnyside Ave. in Uptown was closed to traffic. Crime jumped when the criminals discovered that all they had to do was run where the Police couldn't follow. That's another reason to keep one lane of Catalpa Ave. open.

The Plaza designs look very generic. It could be used anywhere in the country. Why not use the color theme of the Andersonville signs on poles? Brown, blue and yellow? Why not make it more Swedish looking? It should be called Andersonville Plaza. Incorporate the iconic water tower logo as a design feature.

I am very concerned that the Plaza will not be maintained. The rest of Andersonville is looking shoddy with broken planters, dead flowers and litter. It appears that the Andersonville Chamber may be overwhelmed and does not have the funds to keep the Clark St. planters looking good, what assurances does the community have that the Plaza will not end up with dead trees and plants, litter and graffiti?

Last year's Christmas decorations left a lot to be desired.

Change is hard but it is necessary and it needs to work for everyone.

Pam Ball
Edgewater

Police Beat...

FBI looks for Uptown bank robber

The FBI is looking for the man who robbed an Uptown bank branch on Sept. 22.

According to the agency, the man seen in these surveillance images robbed the Huntington Bank branch inside Jewel-Osco, 4355 N. Broadway, around 12:27 p.m.

He said he would hurt the teller and implied that he had a weapon as he took more than $1,000, according to a Chicago police report.

The FBI said he is White, between 50 and 60 years old, and wore a black cap, blue mask, dark zip-up jacket, dark pants, and dark shoes.

Information about the man can be shared with the FBI's Chicago Field Office at 312-421-6700. The agency is offering a reward of up to $1,000 for tips that lead directly to his arrest and prosecution.

Felon engaged in 'gunfight at the OK Corral' while on electronic monitoring, officials say

A convicted felon engaged in "a gunfight at the OK Corral" on a bustling Uptown street while he was on electronic monitoring for a felony case, authorities said Sept. 21.

Kevin Cousins, 21, is the 41st person accused of killing or shooting—or attempting to kill or shoot—someone in Chicago while awaiting trial for a felony this year. The alleged crimes involved at least 78 victims, 18 of whom died.

Kevin Cousins

Cousins, on electronic monitoring, was with a group of people on the corner of Argyle and Kenmore when a drive-by shooter opened fire around 2:50 p.m. on Aug. 14, according to prosecutors. During the incident, a 59-year-old man was shot.

According to Assistant State's Attorney Eugene Goroshko, Cousins ducked between two cars, then popped up with a pistol in his hand and returned fire toward the shooter's car. He then rode away on a bike, collided with a parked minivan, and ran from the scene as someone stepped out of the van and began shooting at him, Goroshko said.

"For lack of a better term," Judge Susana Ortiz said upon hearing the allegations, "in the middle of the city streets, here we have a gunfight at the OK Corral going on."

The shooting was recorded by a collection of surveillance cameras that "clearly" showed Cousins ducking down as the initial shots rang out and then returning fire, according to Goroshko. Video also allegedly shows Cousins passing the gun off to someone else who flees the scene after the shooting.

Police who patrol the area recognized Cousins from the video footage and located him Tuesday.

Goroshko said Cousins was on electronic monitoring for a pending charge of aggravated battery to a police officer. He was on parole for the robbery of a 64-year-old victim when he picked up that charge, according to Goroshko.

Prosecutors charged Cousins with aggravated unlawful use of a weapon by a felon. He is not criminally charged with firing the gun or shooting anyone.

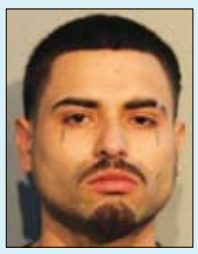
Cousins, according to Assistant Public Defender Patrick Shine, "did not start this shooting." Cousins, he said, is studying for his GED and has four children under the age of seven.

Ortiz granted the state's request to hold Cousins without bail.

Man is caught driving stolen car while on bail for a gun case, a robbery case, and another stolen auto case

Prosecutors say a man who is on bail for robbery, being a felon in possession of a firearm, and possessing a stolen motor vehicle was caught driving another stolen car this week in Chicago.

Keuwer Nunez now has four felony cases pending, and he's being held without bail—at least for a couple of days.


Keuwer Nunez

In February, Nunez was charged with robbing a woman in the 7400 block of N. Greenview and then using her car keys to steal her car, which was parked on nearby Devon Ave. Prosecutors said two men followed the victim to her apartment and punched her in the face while robbing her.

During the same February hearing, prosecutors said Nunez was driving yet another stolen car when Chicago police found it.

He was on bail for being a felon in possession of a firearm at the time of those alleged offenses, prosecutors said.

Now, Nunez is accused of driving still another stolen car while on bond for all of those cases.

Prosecutors on Saturday said Chicago police located a recently stolen car in the 7600 block of S. Jeffery on Sept. 23. Cops allegedly watched as Nunez entered the car and drove it away.

When officers activated their lights to pull the car over, Nunez bailed out of the vehicle while leaving it in gear, prosecutors said. It continued moving for about 10 feet until it crashed into a fence. Police said they found the car's key fob in his pants pocket.

His defense attorney said he is the single father of three children.

Judge Maryam Ahmad set bail in the latest stolen motor vehicle case at $20,000 with electronic monitoring. Nunez must post 10% of the bail amount to go home on electronic monitoring.

But Ahmad also held Nunez without bail on his already-pending cases until the judge handling those matters could reconsider bail conditions in light of the new allegations.

Off-duty cop shot during North Side road rage incident stripped of police powers

The probationary Chicago police officer who was shot in the face during a suspected road rage incident on the North Side last week had been relieved of her police powers over the weekend because she failed a drug test, a law enforcement source said.

And, the source continued, investigators have determined that the stripped cop and the man who shot her had been involved in an ongoing road rage conflict before the shooting.

This week's incident is the latest headache for CPD involving its newly hired cops. When CPD announced that a probationary officer was involved in the incident, the department did not reveal that she had recently been stripped of police powers.

At around 3:10 p.m. Sept. 20, the recently stripped 27-year-old cop slammed into the back of an SUV that stopped abruptly in front of her near the intersection of Addison and Elston, according to an initial statement by CPD. A man in the SUV then fired on the woman's car, possibly through his car's sunroof, and fled the scene.

But a CPD traffic crash report contains a different scenario:

According to the crash report, the SUV driver hit the back of the off-duty cop's car, which was stopped for a westbound red light on Addison at Kedzie. The SUV backed up, went around the cop's car, then turned north on Elston. The officer followed, the report said.

After turning north on Elston, the SUV's driver stopped and reversed into the cop's car, then fled, allegedly after someone inside fired shots at the cop.

The SUV later collided with two CPD squad cars that were searching for the shooter in the 5000 block of W. Lawrence, and one of the officers fired at the SUV, which escaped once more. Northeastern Illinois Univ. police eventually found the car unoccupied in the 5800 block of N. Drake.

Investigators combed through surveillance footage to track the gunman's car before and after the shooting. They determined that the probationary cop and the other vehicle had been involved in an extended road rage conflict that culminated in the shooting after the cop slammed into the gunman's car, a source said.

CPD said the woman never lost consciousness and is recovering from her injuries.

The department has experienced a string of embarrassing incidents involving its newest officers and recruits this year.

Last month, CPD recruit Denisse Balseca refused to cooperate with suburban police officers during a traffic stop and then hit, kicked, and shoved cops who tried to take her into custody, according to a Schiller Park Police Dept. report.

When an officer showed her the injuries she caused to him, the recruit allegedly replied, "How else was I supposed to get away?"

Schiller Park officers decided not to pursue felony charges against Balseca, 27, but she was charged with local ordinance violations.

In June, CPD recruit Davin Jones, 27, was arrested near the Field Museum for allegedly having a gun in his car and obstructing his vehicle's rear license plate. Prosecutors said jones "became verbally aggressive" with police during the incident, so they arrested him.

Cops saw Jones hiding his car's rear license plate with a sweatshirt while it was illegally parked outside the Field Museum, according to information from prosecutors and CPD.

"The clothing was removed [from the license plate], at which time a verbal altercation ensued between Jones and the officers," a CPD spokesperson said. Cops took Jones into custody and subsequently found a loaded 40-caliber handgun inside his car's glove box, said prosecutors, who added that Jones does not have a concealed carry license.

They charged Jones with misdemeanor unlawful use of a weapon and misdemeanor modification of a registration plate. He also received traffic citations, police said.

Video images show a woman preparing to hit the man with a wine bottle; another man leaving the train while apparently counting the victim's money, and the injured victim.

Outrageous video shows Red Line passenger being robbed, hit with wine bottle

Chicago police issued a community alert as they try to identify the man and woman who attacked and robbed the victim. CPD said they took the victim's cash and the wine was his, too.

Anyone with information about the suspects can contact Mass Transit investigators at 312-745-4443. The case number is JF-408480

Facebook video shows a man being robbed and hit in the head with a wine bottle while riding the Red Line on Sept. 24. It's the latest embarrassment for Chicago's problem-plagued transit system.

"This why I don't ride the Redline," Teshaun Terry wrote on the Facebook post. "Y'all Be Safe At Night On The CTA."

He said he posted the video for "Awareness to be safe on the CTA at night. Also so y'all can help find these disgusting man they said do this all the time."

The pair reaches into the man's pocket, and the woman pulls a full wine bottle out of the victim's jacket.

The man with the woman dips into the victim's pants pocket and pulls something out.

The woman then slams the wine bottle directly into the victim's forehead. The bottle doesn't break, but the victim begins holding his head as blood drips onto the train floor.

Meanwhile, the man passes in front of the camera smiling, appearing to examine the items he took from the victim's pockets while a second woman and a second man take a closer look.

"Get back! He's bleeding!" the off-camera voice says as a woman moves closer to the victim with a phone.

"I just recording," the woman replies.

Armed robbers steal car in Lincoln Park, embark on North Side robbery spree

An armed robbery crew stole a car in Lincoln Park on Sept. 20 and then committed a series of hold-ups in Lakeview, Lincoln Square, and, possibly, West Ridge. Chicago police have not announced any arrests.

The incidents began around 9 p.m. when someone stole a silver 2013 Hyundai from the 2400 block of N. Burling in Lincoln Park.

Just over an hour later, the robberies began, with some of the victims providing license plate numbers of getaway cars that were similar to the plate on the stolen Hyundai:

Around 10 p.m., two men wearing masks stepped out of a car and robbed a victim at gunpoint in the 2700 block of N. Pine Grove.

About an hour later, three masked men violently robbed a woman and her friend in the 2300 block of W. Ainslie in Lincoln Square. The crew pistol-whipped the woman and took the victims' property.

Then, around 11:15 p.m., four masked men displayed two guns as they robbed a man in an alley in the 2200 block of W. Argyle, They got away with the victim's wallet.

The crew returned to Lakeview around 1:35 a.m. to rob a man and a woman at gunpoint in the 400 block of W. Barry. While displaying handguns, they took the victims' phones, an Apple Watch, wallets, and a purse, according to a CPD report.

Chicago police license plate readers located the stolen Hyundai a few minutes later as it exited Lake Shore Dr. at Hollywood shortly before 2 a.m. Not long after that, another armed robbery involving three armed men occurred in the 7000 block of N. Hamilton in West Ridge.

In each incident, the robbers were generally described as slender Black males who stood about 5'-9" to 5'-11" tall, wearing black clothing and ski masks.

A 16-year-old boy with two active juvenile gun cases shot and killed a man during a robbery last month

A 16-year old boy who was on probation for a juvenile gun case and awaiting trial for another juvenile gun case secured yet another gun and killed a man during a robbery attempt on Chicago's North Side last month, prosecutors alleged Sept. 21.

Daniel Barbosa is the 39th person accused of killing or shooting—or attempting to kill or shoot—someone in Chicago while awaiting trial for a felony this year. The alleged crimes involved at least 76 victims, 18 of whom died. One of Barbosa's alleged accomplices, Alexsandro Hernandez, 18, was on bail for an adult gun case at the time.

Prosecutors said Barbosa agreed to sell a gun to the victim Irving Mibarez, 18, via Facebook for $400 on Aug. 1. He told Mibarez to meet him at the intersection of Natchez and Dickens in Belmont Cragin at 7 p.m. to complete the transaction, and he promised to bring some free bullets for Mibrez, according to prosecutor Danny Hanichak.

But, according to Hanichak, it was all a ruse to allow Barbosa, Hernandez, and a third unidentified conspirator to rob Mibarez.

Surveillance video shows Barbosa getting into Mibarez's front passenger seat at the meeting location and a white Nissan Murano with no license plates pulling up next to them four minutes later. Hernandez got out of the Murano's passenger seat and approached Mibarez's door with a gun in his hand, Han-

POLICE BEAT *see p. 14*

Murder suspect, arrested for Rogers Park armed robbery, briefly escaped from cops in Uptown

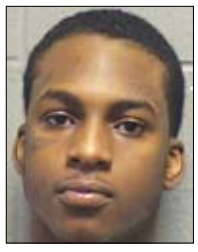
BY CWBCHICAGO

Prosecutors said a man being sought for a downstate murder briefly escaped from Chicago police by bolting out of an Uptown hospital where they took him for treatment after he was arrested in connection with an armed robbery on Sept. 22.

Kyle Escoe, 18, was recaptured a short time later and is now held without bail for the robbery, escape, two previously-pending felony cases, and the murder warrant.

Authorities in Decatur, a town of about 70,000 people east of Springfield, have been looking for Escoe since a 24-year-old man was killed during a street gathering in their city on August 14. We reported last month that Decatur authorities believed Escoe was in Chicago.

The events leading to his capture began around 8:45 p.m. Thursday when a pizza delivery driver returned to their car after dropping off an order in the 1500 block of W. Fargo in Rogers Park.


Kyle Escoe

Prosecutor Zachary said the delivery driver noticed a black Honda with Virginia license plates parked in front of his car. Escoe exited the Honda's driver's seat with a handgun as a juvenile accomplice got out of the passenger seat, also with a gun, he said.

They were both wearing ski masks as they pointed guns at the delivery driver's head from less than three feet away, Peasall continued. Escoe took about $150 from the driver as the juvenile snatched a gold chain from the victim's neck. Then, they drove away in the Honda.

But the delivery driver memorized the Virginia license plate number, and Chicago police began tracking the car through its network of license plate readers. The vehicle was stolen in Uptown earlier in the week as another robbery spree unfolded across the city, but Escoe is not charged with any of those incidents.

A law enforcement task force, assisted by federal and CPD helicopters, located the car in the Austin neighborhood around 11:15 p.m. Thursday. They arrested Escoe and the juvenile after Escoe crashed the vehicle, Peasall said.

Investigators found a gun on the passenger seat and another gun along Escoe's flight path. Escoe and the juvenile had black ski masks and a total of $253 cash, Peasall said.

On Sept. 22, Chicago police officers took Escoe to Thorek Hospital in Uptown after he complained about suffering injuries during the earlier car crash.

When an officer partially removed Escoe's handcuffs so he could sign hospital paperwork, Escoe bolted from the waiting room and headed into the nearby neighborhood, Peasall said.

Police swarmed the area and located Escoe in the 4100 block of N. Clarendon. He was still "partly cuffed," according to Peasall.

On Sunday, prosecutors charged Escoe with robbery, escape, and misdemeanor criminal trespass to a vehicle. He was already on bail for possessing a stolen motor vehicle and manufacture-delivery of cannabis, both felonies, Peasall said.

Judge Susana Ortiz granted the state's motion to hold Escoe without bail on the new charges.

A second man being sought in connection with the downstate murder, Omari Walker, 18, remains at large. Decatur police believe he may be in Chicago, too.

Attorney, former Cook County judge, disbarred for fraud

BY CWBCHICAGO

A former Cook County judge has lost her license to practice law after she was convicted and sentenced to one year in prison for her role in a $1.4 million mortgage fraud scheme.

Attorney Jessica Arong O'Brien, who was licensed in 1998, has been disbarred by the State of Illinois. She has been suspended on an interim basis since April 26, 2018, after a federal jury in Chicago found her guilty of the crimes of mail fraud and bank fraud based on her involvement in a scheme to obtain bank loans by making false

statements about her income and liabilities.

From 2012 until after she was convicted in 2018, O'Brien was a judge for the Cook County Circuit Court.

O'Brien worked as a special assistant attorney general at the Illinois Dept. of Revenue from 2000 to 2012. Federal prosecutors said she duped lenders by providing them with false information related to her purchase and maintenance of two properties in Chicago from 2004 to 2007. She was convicted at trial.

'Gimme! Gimme! Gimme!' four-time felon, on parole for carjacking, commits another carjacking in Uptown

BY CWBCHICAGO

A four-time convicted felon on parole for carjacking is accused of carjacking a driver outside a Chicago fast food restaurant on Sept. 22.

"Gimme! Gimme! Gimme!" Alfredo Gutierrez allegedly ordered the victim in Spanish as the hijacking unfolded around 7:17 a.m. at Dunkin', 4559 N. Broadway, in Uptown.

The 60-year-old driver handed Gutierrez some change from inside his 2011 Mitsubishi truck, prosecutor William Lacy said, but Gutierrez became angry with the victim's offering.

Gutierrez, 33, then told the victim to give him everything, including his jacket, wallet, and keys, as Gutierrez pulled a gun from a thermal backpack, Lacy said. The victim complied, then ran away when Gutierrez threatened to shoot him.

As the victim ran for help, Gutierrez crashed the Mitsubishi into another vehicle, then sped away, according to Lacy. Cops located the car around 10 o'clock that night in the 11000 block of S. Western, a CPD spokesperson said.

Gutierrez was allegedly driving it while wearing the same clothes as the hijacker. He allegedly told cops that he bought the car for $100. Lacy said cops also found a fake gun inside a thermal backpack inside the vehicle.

Alfredo Gutierrez

Prosecutors charged Gutierrez with aggravated vehicular hijacking. Judge Maryam Ahmad ordered him held without bail.

In Nov. 2021, Gutierrez received a six-year sentence for a carjacking he committed three years earlier. After receiving the state's standard 50% sentence reduction and credit for time spent in jail before pleading guilty, he didn't spend a single day in prison, according to Illinois Dept. of Corrections records.

That may change now, however. State officials are moving to revoke his parole in the 2018 case.

He has previous felony convictions for being a felon in possession of a firearm, manufacture-delivery of cannabis, and possessing two or more fictitious IDs.

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SAFE-T Act boosts uncertainty around trespassing enforcement, could raise lawsuit risk for cops, property owners

BY JONATHAN BILYK
Cook County Record

Police will still have the ability to use force to remove trespassers from Illinois homes and businesses when the calendar flips to 2023.

But how exactly procedures will change, and how trespassing laws will be enforced among the state's different regions and in different communities, remains unclear, potentially setting the stage for inconsistent enforcement and confusion for Illinois police and property owners alike.

"A lot of smart legal folks all around the state are in disagreement over how this section of the law should be interpreted," said Lemont Police Chief, who serves as legislative chairman for the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police. "And if all these people can't agree on what the law says, the law needs to be fixed, or we at least need clarification."

As Illinois prepares for elections this fall for governor and a host of other state and federal offices, accusations have flown back and forth in recent weeks concerning the likely effects of the state's sweeping criminal justice reforms.

Known as the SAFE-T Act, the massive law was enacted swiftly in early 2021 by progressives in the Illinois General Assembly, who used the racial unrest and concerns about social justice and equity to pass into law a litany of law enforcement reforms.

Principally, the law abolishes cash bail in Illinois, a goal long sought by left wing activists and criminal justice reform advocates. Illinois has become the first state to abolish the cash bail system.

Generally, judges in Illinois will now be required to evaluate the severity of an offense before ordering someone held in jail before they stand trial. The law creates a list of so-called "forcible felonies" for which judges might be able to order someone held in jail. These would include first and second degree murder, criminal sexual assault, robbery, arson, burglary, kidnapping, aggravated battery and others.

Scott Szala warned property owners concerned about the changes in the law to continue to call police in criminal trespass situations. He noted Illinois laws still allow property owners who threaten harm, or actually harm, trespassers who pose no violent threat to them or others, to be sued or even charged with crimes.

The new law also now differentiates between offenses considered to be eligible for probation and those considered "non-probationable."

For those charged with the most heinous non-probationable offenses, judges are empowered to order them held in jail while they await trial, if prosecutors can demonstrate the person remains a specific threat or flight risk.

The law states: "Detention only shall be imposed when it is determined that the defendant poses a specific, real and present threat to a person, or has a high likelihood of willful flight."

Otherwise, under the law, those charged with probationable crimes could be allowed to remain free, while they wait months or perhaps even years for their cases to progress to trial and sentencing.

The law also specifically bars police from locking up people before trial if they are charged with certain non-violent offenses. Among these are offenses like criminal trespass.

Supporters of these measures say the changes will improve society, by allowing those accused of crimes and misdemeanors for which they previously may have been held to continue working, raising children and otherwise participating in society until they stand trial.

Supporters of the reforms say the current system is inhumane and unfair, as who is allowed to be free and who must remain in jail was entirely dependent on the ability to people to pay potentially costly bail bonds. They said it particularly harmed Black and Latino individuals, who are more likely to come from low income households and may not have the financial means to post bond, forcing them to languish in jail, while others charged with the crimes are allowed to walk free.

The reforms, however, have drawn a wave of criticism from police, prosecutors and others throughout that state, who have maintained for more than a year that the reforms will make Illinois less safe. They say it allows criminals to be free to commit more crimes while they await trial, and makes it significantly harder for prosecutors to keep those charged with crimes in jail and away from the community.

Critics have also warned the law weakens the rights of property owners. Particularly, they point to reforms within the SAFE-T Act that appear to block police from arresting and holding people accused of criminal trespass and other Class B misdemeanor offenses.

For instance, Keith Pekau, mayor of Orland Park and Republican nominee for Congress in the 6th Congressional District, has specifically warned the measure would forbid police from doing anything more than issuing a ticket to a trespasser, even if the trespasser has gone so far as to take up residence in a back yard shed and refuses to leave.

Republican gubernatorial nominee Darren Bailey and other have likened the reforms in the SAFE-T Act to the horror movie, "The Purge," in which criminals are allowed one night a year to run free and commit any crimes they wish against anyone they find in the streets.

Paul Arena, the Northwest Vice President for the Illinois Rental Property Owners Assoc., said his organization is advising all property owners to be aware of the changes in the law, and to be concerned.

The IRPOA is a lobbying association representing residential and commercial landlords in the state.

Arena said the group's position has been based on conversations concerning the interpretation of the law with state's attorneys and state lawmakers.

He said the change to the law concerning trespassing enforcement is "a big problem for all property owners."

"It will take control over who may come onto private property away from property owners," Arena said.

In response, Gov. JB Pritzker, who signed the SAFE-T Act into law, and other Democratic supporters of the legislation, have called such claims "misinformation," or outright lies.

Pritzker and his allies point to language in the law they say still gives discretion to judges, prosecutors and police officers to address legitimate threats to property owners and others in Illinois communities.

As to trespassing, they point to guidance from the Illinois Supreme Court's Pretrial Implementation Task Force. That task force has interpreted the law to still allow police officers to remove trespassers from a residence or business at the request of property owners, take them to a police station for processing, and then release them with a citation and a court date.

But Maton and others say, while that seeming official interpretation will carry weight, there is still a wide degree of latitude within the statute for arguments in court over the actual powers afforded to police officers to respond to property owner requests for assistance with obstinate trespassers the property owners believe to be dangerous.

And those arguments could lead to a real risk of lawsuits against both police officers and property owners, alike. Maton warned the law, as it is currently written, "will be applied inconsistently throughout the state."

"I don't think anyone intends to just let people camp out in other people's back yards," Maton said. "But laws like this, that have lan-

SAFE-T *see p. 11*

Cook County courthouses retain masking policies

For all of 2022, even when courthouses and virtually all other non-healthcare settings throughout the rest of Illinois dropped their mask mandates, Cook County courthouses have continued to require everyone entering to wear a mask, unless specifically directed otherwise by a judge.

And according to a memo issued Sept. 16, Cook County Chief Judge Timothy Evans has told employees of the Cook County Circuit Court that the order will remain in place for the foreseeable future.

Evans advised the court's judges and staff that they intend to continue to follow the mask mandate, regardless of vaccination status, while indoors at all of the county's courthouses.

The memo does not indicate precisely when or if the masking order might be relaxed or lifted.

Cook County's courts continue to stand alone in the region in requiring everyone who enters courthouses to wear masks, and has done so since early 2022.

In late February, the Illinois Supreme Court issued an order, removing indoor mask mandates for that court and state appellate courts. However, the state's high court allowed any of the state's 24 circuit courts to issue their own rules pertaining to masking.

Immediately after the Supreme Court changed its standing order, however, chief judges in circuit courts throughout the rest of the state moved to rescind and rewrite their masking orders, to align with the new requirements from the state high court.

Since the Illinois Supreme Court's order, however, Evans has steadfastly refused to relax the mask requirements in any way.

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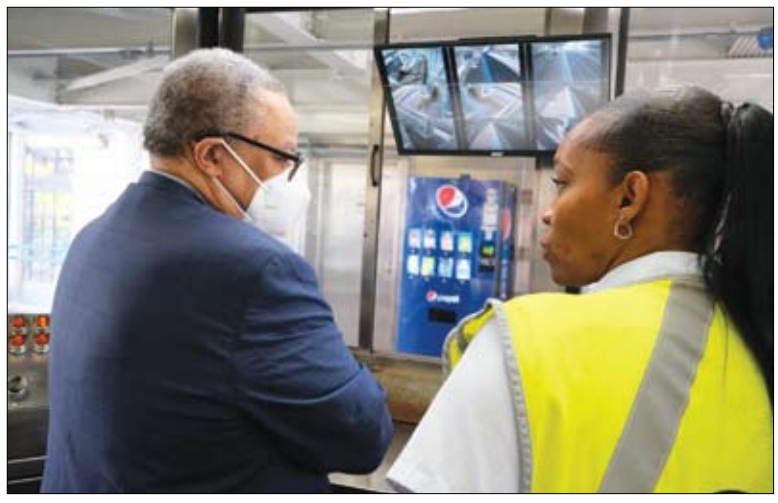
pedestrian safety.

The city unveiled three design concepts during a community meeting in mid-August. Plans to create a public plaza in this location started percolating two years ago. With no lanes of traffic, the new plaza will span 67-feet wide.

The loss of the metered parking will require the city to replace those spots, as they are owned by LAZ Parking Chicago, LLC. Their lease on those spots lasts another 66 years. Without replacing those spots, for equally-valued new metered spots at another location, the city would be faced with paying tens of millions of dollars to buy out the lease guaranteeing those parking rights.



(L-R) On-duty CTA employee monitoring station from mezzanine. CTA President Dorval Carter viewing new CTA booth video monitors with an employee. *Photos courtesy CTA*

After bad summer of CTA crime and violence, new security cameras installed at all CTA rail stations

The bad news came in large batches this summer for the CTA, who this week announced that 173 new security camera monitors have been installed at all 146 rail stations, which will help CTA employees stay aware of criminal activity.

The CTA says that this effort has been deployed in the last month to try and rescue it's brand. Over the last year, the CTA has increasingly been seen by it's riders as a place citizens will face criminal activity and violence when using the CTA.

Booths in every rail station are now equipped with a 21-inch monitor display that offers live feeds from that station's security cameras. Each monitor is positioned to allow the on-duty employee to monitor the screen for activity throughout the facility.

"This project is the latest investment we've made in support of our hardworking, frontline employees," said CTA President Dorval R. Carter Jr. "The ability to monitor station activity in real-time will help our employees better serve customers and help provide a safer travel environment for everyone."

Work is currently being planned for the second phase of project work, which will include the installation of a new communications console inside the CTA booths, featuring a touchscreen monitor that will allow personnel to switch camera views, plus have quick, convenient access to other station communications tools and functions. That work is expected to begin next year.

Details regarding the next phase of project work are still being finalized and will be announced at a future date. Funding for this initiative is part of CTA's annual operating budget, and will be approximately $2 Million.

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guage that is, let's say, inartfully written, have unintended consequences.

"Our (police) need clear guidance to make decisions on the street," Maton said.

Scott Szala, an adjunct law professor at the Univ. of Illinois College of Law, warned property owners concerned about the changes in the law to continue to call police in criminal trespass situations.

He noted Illinois laws still allow property owners who threaten harm, or actually harm, trespassers who pose no violent threat to them or others, to be sued or even charged with crimes.

Szala posed a scenaro in which someone is caught hunting without permission on another person's land in a rural area of the state. In such a situation, he said, the property owner may be required to have posted no trespassing warnings, and then to ask the person to leave. If there is a disagreement, they should still call police, Szala said.

If property owners instead threaten trespassers with firearms or other weapons, they could be charged with assault, even if they never actually attack the trespasser. Confrontations that escalate into physical conflicts, in which punches are thrown, for instance, could result in battery charges, Szala said.

> ***"I understand the concerns people have, and there is no easy answer," Szala said. "Society can still take steps to protect themselves, but those steps must be reasonable."***

"I could envision a situation when someone wanders in with a weapon, the owner grabs his gun and goes down there, and it could escalate into something disastrous and tragic," Szala said.

He likened it to laws governing landlord-tenant relations, which now forbid landlords from physically attacking or forcefully removing difficult tenants. "You can't just physically drag someone out," said Szala.

Szala agreed law enforcement response to trespassing under the new law could play out differently in different parts of Illinois.

But even under current law, Szala said, officers are still given discretion to respond based on the unique facts of each situation. And under the new law, Szala said he believed police will still be allowed to "escort" a trespasser off property, before processing and clearing the incident.

"I understand the concerns people have, and there is no easy answer," Szala said. "Society can still take steps to protect themselves, but those steps must be reasonable.

For home and business owners, Szala said, "the key is, anytime you deal with a conflict situation, you don't want to escalate the conflict."

The widespread concern over the law, however, will ultimately lead to changes to clarify the powers granted to law enforcement to enforce private property rights, Maton predicted.

He said the current political football match over the coming effects from the law have complicated a quick solution. But he said the Illinois Police Chiefs and others are working on legislation they believe will revise the law to fix the "inartful" language in the law the state legislature's Democratic supermajority pushed through and which Pritzker signed.

'SUCCESS' *from p. 5*

a lifting of the NDA and a direct conversation with the grocer, we were informed that the national grocer was Amazon Fresh in February of this year," said Vasquez.

In his email, Vasquez made it clear HSG had made a good faith effort to negotiate, and he blamed Amazon for its lack of willingness to budge off their position in the negotiations.

"In all that time, HSG, to their credit, had engaged an affordable housing developer, Related Midwest, to work on an affordable housing component. HSG had also worked to address the traffic and sidewalk concerns," wrote Vasquez.

"I am incredibly proud of our community driven process. It put us all in the position to have a fair process that, in this instance, kept out a corporation that would have taken from our community, rather than partnered with it," Vasquez added.

Located at a highly visible northwest corner of the Lawrence, Western and Lincoln Ave. intersection, a large Amazon Fresh grocery store could have threatened the viability of locally owned businesses such as Harvest Time Grocery, 2632 W. Lawrence Ave. and Gene's Sausage Shop and Delicatessen, 4750 N. Lincoln Ave. as well as many other shops in Lincoln Square.

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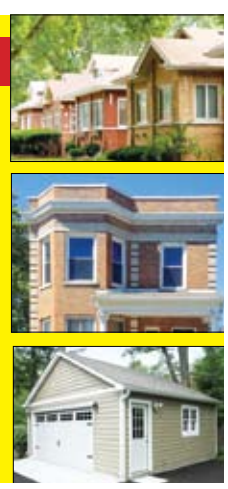

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(L-R) V.P. Kamala Harris and Desirée Glapion Rogers, Tony Fitzpatrick, Patti Garwood.

also rose 50%, increasing from $1 billion to $1.5 billion. Breaking news: sales of Doritos, pizza and Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream are also up 50% year-over-year!

You all know the ganja is a lot cheaper in Michigan, right? A Michigan friend reports fall sales prices at his local shop of $190 per ounce. Time for a weekend trip to Michigan to go see the fall leaves.

SHANAH TOVAH! We want to wish you a happy, healthy, sweet, peaceful, beautiful New Year!

A WORD IN THE EAR: Desirée Glapion Rogers front and center greeting and gliding with US vice president **Kamala Harris** during her short visit, showing her what's in our closets here in Chi-town.

SPOONS AND FORKS: Maria Pappas front and center for the Grand Opening of Helm Tool, the biggest supplier of plastic spoons and forks in the Americas with the bossman **Helmut Mueller**. How does she do it, that lady is everywhere?

THE THEATRE: Hedy Weiss says the production of "Hello Dolly" at the Lincolnshire Merriott Theatre is a sensational production. She also reminds us that the real heart and soul there for the past 28 years has been conductor **Patti Garwood**, who is retiring after 158 productions. She truly brightened the terrain.

LUCK OF THE IRISH: Sean Conlon, long a Chicago heartthrob and prized mega-rich entrepreneur, has finally done it. Got married in England on Sept. 3. The inventive former founder of the real estate corporations Sussex and Reilly, and Conlon & Co., the Irish lad from County Kildare married among the English aristocracy. To **Imogen Hervey-Bathurst**, the great granddaughter of **Sir Frederick Hervey-Bathurst**, 5th Baronet. She's also the granddaughter of businessman **Martin Peake**, 2nd Viscount Ingleby. But like her husband, she is a bright young thing. Only 36, she's the founder of E15 Investment Management.

Sean's best man was Hollywood writer, producer **David E. Kelly**, husband of **Michelle Pfeiffer**. The celeb couple are dear friends. Chicagoans were very visible. **Patrick Daley**, the mayor's son, was a guest. So too **Matthew Pritzker**. Signature Bank's **Michael** and **Karen O'Rourke**, **Yusef Jackson**, **Mark O'Malley** and fiancee, Irish violinist **Patricia Treacy**, who couldn't let the moment at the Hervey-Bathurst's Eastnor Castle chapel go by without playing "Danny Boy" for everyone.

A guest list encrusted in aristocracy. **Churchills**, **Spencers**. And **Windsors**.

BEE JAYSUS: Just a small warning. You know we are, as of last week, half way to St. Patrick's Day. A season observed in many parts of the city.

LA PRINCESSE DE MONACO MORTE A QUARANTE ANS: Hard to imagine that 40 years have passed since the tragic auto accident that claimed the life of **HSH Princess Grace of Monaco**, the former popular Hollywood movie star **Grace Kelly**. Was there anyone ever more chic or sophisticated?

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE: Nikki Friar's mum, **Jan McAdam's** final night of her vacation from Scotland became a surprise early birthday for Nikki at Quartino's, planned by **Kathy O'Malley Piccone**, **Cheri** and **Rich** so mum could celebrate. An amazing, fun night.

WHO'S WHERE: Cynthia Olson has canals and cannolis surrounding her in Venice for a glorious birthday… **Bruce Trivette** off to Carolina Country… **Gabrielle Drutchas'** big 18th birthday and she's still sweet, sharp-witted and a National Merit finalist… **Sheila Lamb-Gabler** and **Rose Gabler** doing a mother-daughter night and getting ready for a sequel to their book "Laid to Rest"… Mayor **Shelley Howard** at Tavern on Rush with **Jim Coston**, **Ron March**, **Jay Barksdale**, **Dennis Donn**, **Brian Frazier Wright** and **Larry Wright**… U of I alumnae president **Michael Harring** squeezing in a Cubs game with **Lois Dal Santo Harring** and daughter **Victoria**… **Irene Michaels** released her new songs this week and now flying high above NYC's Times Square, on the Jumbotron, now that's a big deal… International fashion model **Ross Higgins** is in Montmartre, Paris strutting his stuff… Maestro **Stanley Paul** and friends getting one more dinner al fresco in lingering summer… **Timothee Chalamet** just became the first male to be featured on the cover of Vogue in 106 years… artist **Rosemary Fanti** with **Joanne Swabowski Serio** at Gatto's New Lennox with the KnitWits and birthday girl **Theresa Stinnett**… **Edward Galvin** in Toronto, Ontario wrapping up a TIFF… Skibberean Eagle Newspaper editor, **David Caldwell**, investigating the historic site of Kos Dhodhekanisos, Greece where so many Greek Partisans, and Italian troops perished under ferocious Nazi cruelty until liberated by the British in 1945… **Colleen Dal Santo Ryan** in the California sun mixing drinks for her ladies day… Architect wiz **Lee Bey** and WTTW's **Geoffrey Baer** at Chicago Vocational High School site (one of the most dramatic wonders in Chicago) talking and brainstorming its design and function… **Eamonn Cummins** in St. Joe, MI, recalling Urbana ways at the big U of I Pike Reunion Weekend with **Jim Leuer**, **Pat Parks**, **Craig Hadley** and **Brad Allen**… **Christopher Clinton Conway** at Rancho Mirage picking grapefruits… **Gayle Leahy** brightening up the Gold Coast Homeowners meeting… **Dr. Rose Gomez** in Switzerland sorting through Swiss wheels of cheese… Antiquer **Doug Van Tress** had a crowd in his gallery from Asia and the neighborhood when artist **Cynthia Prokop** turned up and gave me a jingle… Showstopper **Russ Goeltenbodt** just saw Moulin Rouge in NYC on B'way and had a fab dinner… Chicago artist **Tony Fitzpatrick** appeared on **Rick Kogan's** radio show on WGN and was very revealing… **Richard Paddor** and **Christopher Mejia** at Alaska's Mendenhall Glacier, about 12 miles from Juneau… **Todd S. Davis** had a birthday and an exotic visit with old friends and got a copy of Rolling Stone's founder **Jan Wenner's** tell-all book which I know he can't put down… **Neal** and **Ashley Robin** on Italy's Lake Como in the wine region of Vino Amarone… Double Dans, **Dan Lawlor** and **Danny Lawlor** returning from Lambeau Field after seeing the Bears in Green Bay, sadly their juju was not enough… **Joey Majumdar** back from London where he received the Global Inspirational Award at the UK Parliament for his social service aid, especially in his native India…..**Victoria Dal Santo** and **John Dombrowski** hiking in Cogne, Italy in the alps near the Aosta Valley… Chicago actor and comedian **John T. O'Brien** is fast at work creating an arts center for actors and musicians in Wicker Park… **Jeff** and **Stephanie Leese Emrich** in the stands for Northwestern U with **Papa "Coach" Leese**… **Karen Zupko** and **Mr. Mike** in adventurous Istanbul... **Thad Wong** and daughter, **Hattie**, at Foodstuffs in Glencoe...**Colleen Dal Santo Ryan** in the California sun mixing drinks for her ladies day… RL's sweetest manager, **Molly Ranger Castellanos**, on her way to Dublin for an Irish visit.

Irene Michaels

CHICAGO SYMPHONY: Maestro Riccardo Muti opened the 132nd season of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Muti's 13th season. Renowned pianist **Yefim Bronfman** joined Muti and the CSO to perform Brahms' Piano Concerto No. 1 on a program that also featured the U.S. premiere of **Samuel Coleridge-Taylor's** Solemn Prelude and **Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky's** Second Symphony, marking Muti's 500th concert with the CSO since his debut in 1973.

It is not strange… to mistake change for progress.

-- Millard Fillmore

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New Granny basketball team forming in Chicago

Barbara Alexander loves hoops. And last week she announced the formation of a new Granny basketball team in Chicago.

So ladies, drop the Crocs and grab your socks and Air Jordans… Grannyball is coming to Chicago and ladies of a certain age are invited to learn more about forming Chicago's first team. The desire to play ball again prompted Alexander, a Streeterville resident, to start a new team, hoping to bring the game closer to home.

The game of basketball has come a long way for women, from the uniforms to the rules.

Their first practice took place last week at the Lake Shore Field House, 808 N. Lake Shore Dr. But if you got game, then you've got a chance.

Granny Basketball is a national organization with over 40 teams and 400 players across the country. There are no teams in Illinois, the closest teams being in Dubuque and Cedar Rapids, Iowa. There are many teams in Kansas, Oklahoma, Minnesota and Texas too. Even ones in Missouri, Louisiana, Virginia and Wisconsin. Now it's Chicago's turn to tip it off.

You must be at least 50-years old to participate and no prior experience is necessary. Some women in the league are in their late 80s and still playing.

Bloomers (the precursor of women's pants) were invented by a woman suffragette (Amelia Bloomer), not by someone who wanted to limit the lives of women as some female athletes of today might think. They were thought of as a symbol of freedom, independence and athleticism.

The Oklahoma Rockers Granny Basketball team from Jones, Oklahoma, in bloomers.

It's not like "regular basketball." There's no running; no jumping. There's no touching or hovering when guarding. And you have to keep your nails short because this is six-on-six basketball, so at any time there will be 12 women on the court scrambling for the ball.

"[With] 1920's style rules, women were very dainty back then, ya know. We didn't want to hurt them," a former Univ. of Kansas player said. "There's no up and down. You can't run, jump, you can't touch and for a lot of us, this has been a difficult transition because we are much more aggressive. I fouled out last time," a Kansas coach said. "We are having a blast for one thing. Most of us are all very competitive. It's exciting to be on the court again and shoot and play again."

Granny Basketball started rather accidentally. Several years ago, one player's father (who was a girls' basketball coach in Iowa in the '40s and '50s), was writing his memoirs, and she was helping. He described the first girls game he saw in Bondurant, Iowa, in 1920, including the costumes the girls wore, the three courts and the other rather prissy rules they had to follow back then.

Because the daughter was looking for a way to exercise, it finally occurred to her that even at her age she could play by those old rules. So a bunch of her friends got together in 2005 to put on an exhibition game in Lansing, Iowa, to raise money to preserve an old historic building there. And that's how it all got started.

Their first National Tournament was held in Minneapolis in 2008; and now the 2022 national tournament is set for Kansas City, Missouri, co-hosted by the Kansas Meadowlarks.

Many of the women drive two to three hours for 10 a.m. practice every week. Some might call that dedication. They call it, love for the game. Granny Basketball isn't just for sport.

You must be at least 50-years old to participate and no prior experience is necessary. Some women in the league are in their late 80s and still playing.

Several of the women have lost spouses "and so it's just nice. You are there for each other and just make new friends, that type of thing," said Alexander, who played with the Dubuque Cuties until she moved back to Chicago several years after her husband died.

"It's about camaraderie and bringing people together."

For more information, contact Barbara Alexander at alexgalena@aol.com, or visit www.grannybasketball.com.

Bridge lift season is underway

This week marks the start of bridge raising season, so those who drive downtown streets need to be aware of traffic jams resulting from the passing of Chicago's pleasure boats to their winter mooring locations.

The twice-weekly lifts are in effect along the main and south branches of the Chicago River, now through to November.

The bridge lifts, which started Saturday, are to allow boaters to make the trip from Lake Michigan to storage facilities where they'll hide from the winter. The 27 bridges from Lake Shore Dr. to Ashland Ave. will be raised sequentially through Nov. 12.

Each bridge will be raised one at a time for eight to 12 minutes on every Saturday and Wednesday for the boat runs. When a bridge is up, travelers in cars, trucks and buses must wait until the bridges are lowered to move on. But if no boat owners make arrangements for their boats to move on a particular day, the bridges won't be raised.

The streets affected include Lake Shore and Columbus drives, Michigan and Wabash avenues, State, Dearborn, Clark, La Salle, Wells, Franklin, Lake, Randolph, Washington, Madison, Monroe, Adams streets, Jackson Blvd., Van Buren St., Congress Pkwy., Harrison St., Roosevelt Rd., 18th St., Canal St., Cermak Ave., Halsted St., Loomis Ave. and Ashland Ave.

Starting today, the bridge lift schedule is 9:30 a.m. Sept. 28, 9 a.m. Oct. 1, 9:30 a.m. Oct. 5, 9 a.m. Oct. 8, 9:30 a.m. Oct. 12, 9 a.m. Oct. 15, 9:30 a.m. Oct. 19, 9 a.m. Oct. 22, 9:30 a.m. Oct. 26, 9 a.m. Oct. 29, 9:30 a.m. Nov. 2, 9 a.m. Nov. 5, 9:30 a.m Nov. 9, and 9 a.m. Nov. 12.

Get creative and connected to community

Make connections with your neighbors of all ages at an interactive community experience in which you'll activate your imagination and together create a one-of-a-kind story.

This "CommunityConnections" is the first in a series of programs offered by Edgewater Village Chicago and Chicago Methodist Senior Services [CMSS]. The event will be on Thursday, Oct. 6, from 6 to 8 p.m. at CMSS/Wesley Place, 1415 W. Foster Ave.

During the program, participants will explore various works of art: photographs, painting and drawings and enjoy the collaboration of people's imagination. The program will be presented by Judy Holstein, drama therapist and former creative drama high school teacher, theatre director and director of adult day service for CJE SeniorLife.

Light refreshments will be served until 6:30 p.m. The program is free, but guests must register. Sign up at evchicago.org/programs. Maximum capacity is 35; participants must wear masks.

POLICE BEAT *from p. 8*

ichak said.

Mibarez, seeing Hernandez and the weapon he was holding, reversed his car. As he did, Barbosa shot him once in the chest from his front passenger seat.

Chicago police detectives compiled footage from surveillance cameras to track Murano's movements before the shooting. It pulled into an AutoZone where Hernandez used to work about 25 minutes before the shooting. According to Hanichak, Hernandez went inside and bought masks and gloves while dressed in the same clothes he would wear at the shooting scene.

About ten minutes later, a camera at a different location recorded Barbosa getting out of the Murano and removing its license plates.

Hanichak said Hernandez admitted to having "multiple guns" inside the Nissan and pointing a gun at Mibarez's car during the botched robbery. He later dumped it in the lake.

Greg Smith, Barbosa's private defense attorney, said he saw some of the video evidence and thought it would be "impossible" to identify any of the offenders because they were all wearing hats and surgical masks.

But Hanichak said Barbosa wore his mask below his nose at times, and someone who has known him for "several years" identified him by his hairstyle, nose, and other features.

A judge placed Barbosa on juvenile probation last year for a felony gun case. He picked up another juvenile gun charge in early 2022 and that case was still pending at the time of Mibarez's murder, Hanchak said.

Barbosa is charged as an adult with first-degree murder and two counts of armed robbery. Judge Mary Marubio ordered him held without bail.

No bail for aunt accused of killing toddler off Navy Pier in heinous' attack

A Cook County judge, citing allegations of an "intentionally brutal and heinous" attack, ordered a Des Plaines woman held without bail for allegedly tossing her 3-year-old nephew off of Chicago's Navy Pier and then doing nothing as passersby and first responders tried to save the boy last week.

The boy, who spent nearly 30 minutes at the bottom of Lake Michigan after being tossed off of Navy Pier, has died, according to records from the Cook County medical examiner's office.

Records show Josiah Brown died at 10:16 a.m. Sept. 25. Prosecutors this week said he was not expected to survive after he suffered a swollen brain, multiple cardiac arrest events, and a series of seizures. Authorities said he remained on a ventilator and cardiac support for several days.

Victoria Moreno

Victoria Moreno, 34, took the boy from the family home without permission and bought him a McDonald's Happy Meal before walking down the north side of Navy Pier around 1:30 p.m. Sept. 19, prosecutor Lorraine Scaduto said.

The boy was nearly struck by a car near the pier's parking garage entrance before Moreno grabbed him and led him to the edge of the pier, where a chain runs along the edge of a walkway, Scaduto said.

At one point, the boy crawled under the chain, but Moreno pulled him back by his foot when other people approached. Scaduto alleged that after they were gone, she allowed the boy to crawl back under the chain, then crouched behind him and tossed him into the water with both hands.

Navy Pier's security cameras recorded the entire incident.

He fell about 6½ feet and remained on the surface for a short time before vomiting twice and then sinking to the bottom, said Scaduto, a veteran prosecutor who appeared to become emotional as she detailed the horrific allegations.

She said Moreno sat down and stared at the boy as he drowned. While other passersby tossed a ring buoy toward the child, Moreno told them she didn't know the boy or what happened to him, Scaduto said.

"Not once," Scaduto alleged, "did the defendant scream for help, call for help, ask for help, or try herself to help."

Last week, Moreno took young relatives without the family's permission to the same location, including an 11-year-old who became so concerned about what was happening that she sent family members a pin marker so they could locate the children, according to Scaduto.

Assistant Public Defender Patrick Shine said Moreno is on medication for mental health conditions, including anxiety and depression.

She is charged with attempted first-degree murder and aggravated battery of a child under the age of 13. Upgraded charges will likely take place now that the boy has died.

Man shot inside Seward Park

A 39-year-old man was shot inside a Near North Side park on Sept. 19, Chicago police said.

The victim was hanging out in Seward Park, near Division and Orleans streets, when someone began shooting just before 7 p.m. He suffered a gunshot wound to his lower leg and was taken to Northwestern Memorial Hospital for treatment.

Police did not release a description of the gunman, who remains at large. Some witnesses said the shooter was standing near the basketball courts when he began firing.

Monday's victim is the 56th person shot on the Near North Side this year. During the same period, the neighborhood had 44 victims last year, 39 in 2020, and 24 in 2019.

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COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS INC.,
Plaintiff,
-v.-
LORETTA GRANGER, SHORELINE TOWERS CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants
2022 CH 01289
6301 N SHERIDAN RD, 19D
CHICAGO, IL 60660
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COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
CITIMORTGAGE, INC.
Plaintiff,
-v.-
JOHN R. GARBER, ANDREA L. GARBER, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO GEORGE WASHINGTON SAVINGS BANK
Defendants
17 CH 9011
1205 W. SCHUBERT AVE A/K/A 2658 N RACINE AVE
CHICAGO, IL 60614
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Commonly known as 1205 W. SCHUBERT AVE A/K/A 2658 N RACINE AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60614
Property Index No. 14-29-310-024
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.
The judgment amount was $2,345,131.49.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of $1 for each $1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed $300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
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COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
PACIFIC GLOBAL BANK, A DIVISION OF ROYAL BUSINESS BANK
Plaintiff,
-v.-
BROADWAY 4437, LLC, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants
2022 CH 04794
4437 N. BROADWAY
CHICAGO, IL 60640-5659
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Commonly known as 4437 N. BROADWAY, CHICAGO, IL 60640-5659
Property Index No. 14-17-225-010-0000
The real estate is improved with a commercial property.
The judgment amount was $537,020.88.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION
JPMBB 2015-C28 NORTH LINCOLN AVENUE, LLC,
Plaintiff,
v.
3169 LINCOLN LLC, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.
2021 CH 01637
3169 N. Lincoln Ave.
Chicago, Illinois 60657
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by Plaintiff JPMBB 2015-C28 North Lincoln Avenue, LLC ("Plaintiff") that pursuant to a Judgment Order of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above-captioned cause on September 2, 2022, the Sheriff of Cook County will, on Thursday, October 13, 2022, at the hour of 1:00 p.m. at the Daley Center, Lower Level Room 06, 50 W. Washington, Chicago, IL 60602, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
PIN: 14-29-100-041-0000
Commonly known as: 3169 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60657.
The mortgaged real estate is commercial.
Sale shall be under the following terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or certified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar funds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.
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COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
MALIBU EAST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,
-v.-
ESTATE OF PATRICIA I. FOSTER BY ITS INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATOR ERICKA BLAIR, UNKNOWN HEIRS & LEGATEES OF PATRICIA I. FOSTER, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants
20 CH 06477
6033 N SHERIDAN ROAD, UNIT 37E
CHICAGO, IL 60660
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 27, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 28, 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 6033 N SHERIDAN ROAD, UNIT 37E, CHICAGO, IL 60660
Property Index No. 14-05-215-017-1396
The real estate is improved with a condominium.
The judgment amount was $153,262.31.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of $1 for each $1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed $300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.
The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.
If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.
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For information, contact EGAN & ALAILY LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 20 South Clark Street, Suite 2120, Chicago, IL, 60603 (312) 253-8640. Please refer to file number 21-107649.
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EGAN & ALAILY LLC
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312-253-8640
E-Mail: clerk@ea-atty.com
Attorney File No. 21-107649
Attorney ARDC No. 59515
Attorney Code. 59515
Case Number: 20 CH 06477
TJSC#: 42-3191
NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Case # 20 CH 06477

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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:
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Property Index No. 14-08-203-016-1025
The real estate is improved with a condo/townhouse.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of $1 for each $1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed $300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
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Attorney File No. 14-19-12036
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Case Number: 2020 CH 00048
TJSC#: 42-2241
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with the business located at: 5630 N. SHERIDAN ROAD APT 320, CHICAGO, IL 60660
The true and real full name(s) and residence address of the owner(s)/partner(s) is:
Owner/Partner Full Name: JOSE LUIS URIBE
Complete Address: 5630 N. SHERIDAN ROAD APT 320, CHICAGO, IL 60660, USA

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Under the Assumed Business Name of CARDS FOR MORE
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The true and real full name(s) and residence address of the owner(s)/partner(s) is:
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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

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Case Number: 22 CH 01544
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
THE NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY
Plaintiff,
-vs.-
JEROME KARP, LINDA B. KARP A/K/A LINDA BOYD KARP, TOWN OF CICERO, 222 EAST CHESTNUT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION,

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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
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Commonly known as 222 E. CHESTNUT, UNIT 13 B, CHICAGO, IL 60611
Property Index No. 17-03-221-011-1054
The real estate is improved with a residential condominium.
The judgment amount was $330,865.35.
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For information, contact GREIMAN, ROME & GRIESMEYER, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 205 West Randolph Street, Suite 2300, Chicago, IL, 60606 (312) 428-2750. Please refer to file number 10443-1416.
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Chicago's lakefront includes the Burnham Wildlife Corridor, one of the world's most significant migratory flyways for birds and bats. The corridor is a 100-acre ribbon of urban wilderness running through Burnham Park and is composed of three main natural areas including the Burnham Centennial Prairie, Burnham Nature Sanctuary, and McCormick Bird Sanctuary.

But really, the entire expanse of Lake Michigan and its shorelines is a major migratory roadway.

According to the USFWS study, safe airspace is an important component of habitat for migrating birds and bats. Both types of animals are vulnerable to collisions with buildings, wind turbines, cell towers and other structures, leading to death. Migratory tree bats are especially susceptible to collision with wind turbines and communication towers.

Migratory birds fly at high altitudes at night though their greatest nighttime density is still, relatively speaking, close to the ground. This may cause collisions with structures and where they may be caught flying within the rotor-swept-zone of wind turbines. In addition, artificial-light-at-night can interfere with birds' ability to navigate, also contributing to collisions with buildings and other structures. Reducing lighting in and around buildings during migration remains an effective way to reduce collisions, according to the USFWS study.

The park district is considering a plan to add baseball lights to illuminate the baseball diamonds and football fields at Gideon Welles Park, 2333 W. Sunnyside. The park is close to the North Branch of the Chicago River, which is also a flyway for migratory birds. Some nearby residents have expressed their concerns about the effect these lights will have on migratory birds.

According to Christine Sheppard, Ph.D., director of the American Bird Conservancy's Glass Collisions program, adding lights to the park could be hazardous for migratory birds.

"The lights could certainly be a problem, but if they turn them out by 11 p.m. or midnight)., it should be okay for migrating birds. Ideally, they would be turned off whenever not in use, because artificial light at night has a lot of other negative impacts on wildlife and on people," said Sheppard.

While the park's current supervisor has said the lights would be turned off at 9:30 p.m., lights at nearby parks remain on long afterwards.

According to officials at the Chicago Park District [CPD], the corridor spans both sides of Lake Shore Dr. and is the largest stretch of natural area along Chicago's lakefront.

CPD officials describe the wildlife habitat as native prairie, savanna, and woodland ecosystems which provide healthy, diverse habitat for migratory birds and other wildlife.

According to the ABC's Shawn Graff, the number of birds killed by windmills is not complete as it only includes the number directly killed by the blades of windmills, in reality, their impact is far worse.

Photo courtesy Peter von Buol

"This number includes only direct impacts-additional birds are killed each year in collisions with and electrocutions from transmission lines built to connect wind facilities to the energy grid."

Graff leads and coordinates conservation programs and projects in the Great Lakes region. Touted as Green Jobs by its supporters, the construction of windmills in Lake Michigan will add to the pressure faced by wildlife.

"Birds are [also] displaced by construction of wind facilities when that development renders otherwise suitable habitat unusable. As additional industrial-scale facilities are constructed, these impacts will continue to increase. This is amplified when the many threats to birds are considered cumulatively. Minimizing the impacts of rapidly expanding wind energy development on birds needs to be taken seriously," wrote Graff on his ABC blog.

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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." 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 The Lorali.

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 interests in reducing homelessness and maintaining an economically diverse population.

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.

This project will convert the former 160-unit SRO hotel into 80 units. The building operated as a single-room occupancy until 2019. It is just the latest SRO building in Uptown converted into apartments amid a larger struggle over affordable housing in Uptown, an area that used to have many such buildings. Some of the more well known, and long-gone were the Wilson Men's Hotel, the Chateau Hotel, Lawrence House Hotel, Norman Hotel, Bachelor Apartments, Abbott Hotel, Sheffield House, the Viceroy Hotel, Hotel Leland, Plymouth Uptown Hotel, The Hazelton Hotel, the Somerset Hotel, and The Darlington, the former SRO building at 4700 N. Racine Ave., that also recently underwent a renovation into a market-rate building.

Former residents of the building protested the move. But the project was granted a building permit in August, allowing the start of a project, as the building was falling into disrepair.

So now developer Jim Stoller is breathing new life into a 96-year-old building. Stoller was a silent partner in the Lorali's ownership group for years before buying the building outright in 2007.

While a multi-million-dollar renovation was needed, City officials denied requests for public financing due to the amount of subsidized housing already in the Uptown area.

"The problem was, it was a 100-year-old building that was functionally obsolete," Stoller told Block Club Chicago. "I was looking at various options. Keeping it as [a single-room occupancy] didn't make financial sense."

Exterior renovations and interior demolition work is already underway, and Stoller says that historically accurate windows are being added to the building's second floor.

The first units could be move-in ready early in 2023.

Correction:
O'Brien not with GRO

In the Sept. 21 edition of the Inside Booster, we identified Carter O'Brien as a member of the Greater Rockwell Organization [GRO]. And that he might be speaking on behalf of the community group during an upcoming community meeting Oct. 4.

After the story appeared, a GRO Board member told us O'Brien is not a GRO member, and that he will not be speaking on their behalf.

In 2020 O'Brien identified himself during an online community meeting as being part of GRO, and this newspaper assumed he was then, and is still now. It turns out he never was. So we got it wrong.

Apologies to GRO and our readers.