

Lately it occurs to me
What a long strange trip it's been
— Robert Hunter

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City backing down on heavy-handed ticket enforcement

Fee reforms first step in addressing a series of regressive policies

The City Council approved Mayor Lori Lightfoot's fines and fees reform package Sept. 18 as the first step toward ending the harmful enforcement practices that have financially impacted motorists in Chicago.

Between the bribery, corruption and arrests that surrounded the original introduction of the red light camera system in Chicago, to the towing, impounding and selling of residents cars to cover parking and city sticker debts, Chicago has become the world-wide case study on what not to do when introducing ticket enforcement and collections.

Chicago's regressive system

of fines and fees has resulted in Cook County being given the unfortunate title of nationwide leader in Chapter 13 bankruptcies, with roughly two-thirds of Cook County bankruptcies including vehicle debt to the City of Chicago.

While the city's epic budget crisis remains, Mayor Lightfoot has now reduced the predatory nature of the city's debt collection efforts.

The new policies are expected to provide relief from City Hall's previous policies for recovering ticket debt by removing barriers to compliance and creating additional pathways to economic

stability for the victims the city's formerly heavy-handed approach.

This first set of fines and fees reforms calls for ending driver's license suspensions for non-payment of non-driving and vehicle compliance violations, creating more accessible payment plans for all motorists, introducing Denver boot reform policies for those experiencing financial hardship and reforming the City Sticker fines that have become one of the most regressive penalties residents face, throwing some families into a cycle of debt.

In the coming weeks, City Hall plans to execute a debt forgiveness program focused on City Sticker compliance and ticket debt. The first step will be getting residents

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Plaque remembers Hotel Lake View, from which the community took its name

BY PATRICK BUTLER

Thanks to the Ravenswood/Lake View Historical Assoc., the hotel that gave the Lakeview community its name - the Hotel Lake View - was remembered on a plaque dedicated in the Sheridan Triangle Garden at Sheridan Rd. and Lake Shore Dr. during a Sunday, Sept. 15, ceremony.

Among the participants were Ald. James Cappleman [46th], local resident Jill Wasserman, the Zumba Dancers, and RLVHA board members and local historians Garry Albrecht and Dayle Murphy, who both led the campaign over the past year to formalize the location for future generations.

Albrecht, a collector of old Lakeview photos and post cards,



Ald. Cappleman chats with local activist Jill Wasserman after ribbon cutting. Photo by Patrick Butler

showed off some of his personal collection of local artifacts to more than 50 neighbors before leading the celebrants on a mystical trip back to the 1850s, explain-

ing that where people were standing was once a bluff overlooking the lake, and that after hearing

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Photo courtesy of Lincoln Park Zoo

The King is dead

The King of the Lincoln Park Zoo is dead.

Sahar, one of the star attractions at the Zoo, died while temporarily staying in a Kansas City zoo while the Chicago lion house is being overhauled. While lions can typically live into their 30s in captivity, he was only nine-years old when he died. No cause of death has been announced.

He was staying at the Rolling Hills Zoo in Kansas City when he died overnight between Sept. 26-27. He and the Lincoln Park Zoo's two lionesses, Kamali and Zalika, had been living at the Kansas City facility since May.

The were all expected to return to Lincoln Park after their lion house was done with remodeling in the early 2020s.

Car2Go cars to go... away

There will be one less car share company in town now that Car2Go has announced they're giving up.

The rental car company known best for leaving their cars scattered across the city by parking them on residential streets, said that they plan to pull out of Chicago on Dec. 31.

Car2Go started its car-share pilot in July 2018 and reportedly has 400 cars here, mostly on the North Side. The service allows its rental cars to be picked up in one part of a city and dropped off in another, with members unlocking the cars using a mobile app. The company once boasted that it had more than 10,000 members in the city.

While the city banned them from parking cars on 43rd and 44th ward's streets, cars could otherwise be parked anywhere else within an approved zone rather than being returned to a

designated parking location.

Car thieves took advantage of this policy earlier this Spring and the firm was targeted with multiple car thefts. The firm had to temporarily suspend its service

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due to the thefts of multiple Mercedes-Benz cars, which resulted in charges against 21 people. The thieves used the Car2Go app to steal 22 luxury vehicles, most of which were recovered by police.

The firm is also pulling out of Calgary, Portland, Denver and Austin. The say that they will continue to operate in New York City, Seattle, Vancouver, Washington, D.C., and Montreal.

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Humor often the best way to spotlight a dark heart, questionable intentions



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

Chicago's a funny place. And I don't mean "odd," like mayonnaise after its sell date or milk in the sour summer.

I mean Chicago's hilarious. An urban side-splitter, spontaneous laugh-producing city of comics.

"Two-ton Baker in his tiny auto at Riverview." Urban comedians. "Ray Rayner, in overalls, threw or was hit by more than 800 pies." Uproarious. "Frances Horwich," deadpan-serious, ringing her handheld bell on Ding-Dong School. Bozo Circus's Ringmaster "Ned Locke," looking a lot like everyone's drunk uncle.

From where does all this Prairie humor originate? Who's responsible for this polished adventure in urban stand-up? From Jack Benny and Tom Lennon to Tom Dreesen. And from the Belushi Brothers, Bill Murray, Richard Pryor, Kathy Griffin, Betty White and Seth Meyers to Robin Williams and John T. O'Brien, Chicago has amply supplied the ranks of the nation's professional comedians.

But Chicago's much funnier than that. I'm talking sustained doses of humor, not some laugh track or contorted skit. Or night club act.

Historically Chicago excels at the rhythms of humor. Just look at our municipal flag which certainly argues well the reasons why we need humor.

Chicago humor is syncopated hilarity, carefully measured moments and sarcasm, especially when the metropolis begins to take things too seriously. That's when a gaping tablespoon of irreverence is in order. Or a mugful of parody. It seems to work among the self-important, chest-thumping politicians who have always over-populated the city. City Council big cheeses are frequently ridiculed into oblivion, faster than you can say, "Do you know who I am?" Or even the slapstick juvenility of a slippery banana peel, just waiting for a smug alderman to step out of their chauffeur-driven automobile at the front doors of City Hall. Or the belly laughs caused by the overly fancy committee chairman who liked to quote poetry and poets. Following one such piece of literary braggadocio in a city council speech it was noted that the intellectually phony speaker had mispronounced the name of the Nobel awarded poet, WB Yeats, three times in one talk. (It's YAHY-tz. Not YEE-tz).

Humor like this is a natural and lends itself well to the "too big for your own britches" showoffs of public politics.



Ray Rayner

Imagine if we placed a new star on the municipal flag every time a Chicago alderman was convicted of a crime. We'd have 30 stars alone since 1972. It would look like Old Glory. Now that's funny.

Chicago comedy is tailor made for anyone "strutting their stuff." Or bragging about their credentials, intellectual prowess or financial superiority. I had learned that much by mid second grade, when Mary Ellen Moriarity received her comeuppance in front of the whole class of 72 students for her prideful boasting following two surprise spelling tests. She may have scored big grades but she earned the enmity of her classmates and the scorn of Sister Francis Xavier Cabrini for her sinful boasting to make the poorly prepared spellers feel bad about themselves.

Sister Francis Xavier Cabrini taught the day's best lesson, then: never make people feel bad, life's already hard enough. And Mary Ellen's shocked face is still with me today, 60 plus years later. I remember no detail from JFK in Dallas, as strong as that. It was a "Casey at the Bat," (Ernest L. Thayer) moment for sure.

"There was ease in Casey's manner as he stepped into his place; There was pride in Casey's bearing and a smile lit Casey's face.

And when, responding to the cheers, he lightly doffed his hat,

No stranger in the crowd could doubt 'twas Casey at the bat."

But isn't that the way in life? Those who try their best to beat down the frail, frightened, or the timid, often have the tables turned on them, those smarty-pants who think they know it all. Thinking that the road to a nun's heart is a high grade on a spelling test, not the open heart of a generous soul?

One arrogant soul thought that he was the Washington Post's Ben Bradlee when he became the big cheese for our high school newspaper. A rag less free, then, than Pravda.

His chipper, reasoned persona quickly changed in the editor's chair. He began to look down his nose on all around him, since his meteoric rise to prep school media elite. Treating those hard-working classmates near at hand like they were serfs from the nearby village. Too bad. Because he could have used some friends

the day when an off-handed remark wound up published as an insulting fact making reference to the candidates President (LBJ) and New York Gov. Rockefeller during the presidential elections that same year. All hell broke loose in the tight-lipped Catholic school, the entire edition of the paper was confiscated. And our editor's name was, thereafter, forever connected to the disaster of "Electiongate," in the era just before "Watergate."

Most of all he could have used a little humor rather than the dry, brittle, humorless environment of the school paper. Even Latin class was more hilarious than the newspaper.

That might have been my first encounter, officially, with mean, self-serving Chicagoans. You know, the humorless kind who are out to make everyone else feel bad about themselves. But I was fine, forever measured by my second grade experience and suitably

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Finding forgiveness and joy in 5780



Heart of the 'Hood

by Felicia Dechter

The Jewish High Holidays are upon us and for Jews around the world, that not only means the New Year of 5780 but also a time of inner reflection and forgiveness.

Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, began Sunday at sundown and is one of the most important days of the Jewish calendar. It's a time to do mitzvahs (good deeds) and eat yummy traditional foods like brisket and latkes and noodle kugel and matzo ball soup. It's a time to celebrate the New Year and every hope that it brings along with it.

Here's wishing all our Jewish readers a Shanah Tovah, wishes for a sweet and happy new year.

The High Holidays last a little more than a week. The early evening of Oct. 8 will begin the holiest, most solemn and spiritual day of the year for Jews, Yom Kippur, which means "Day of Atonement." On this day, we seek forgiveness from G-d for any wrongdoing we may have done. It's a time when

we delve deep down inside our souls for reflection and also to forgive others. A good lesson to remember for Yom Kippur is to never judge anyone, as you just never know what's going on in their life. It's so true: You never know what a sick person is dealing with or what someone who has lost a loved one is experiencing, among other things. Just be kind. To all.

Last year, right about this time, Rabbi Meir Moscovitz lost his beloved cousin Eliyahu, who was 24-years-old when he was one of two men shot and killed in East Rogers Park. Rabbi Moscovitz is regional director of the Rogers Park-based Lubavitch Chabad of Illinois and he is also the senior rabbi of Chabad of Northbrook. Unfortunately, Eliyahu's killer still remains at large.

Rabbi Moscovitz has written a short but powerful piece on forgiving, and the happiness it can bring. Please read it, whether you're Jewish or not. Find forgiveness, with yourselves and with those who have wronged you. Makes me think of the old saying, "To err is human. To forgive is divine."

May you all have a happy, and



(Left) Rabbi Mendel Moscovitz, father of Eliyahu, holding the new Torah. (Right) Mr. Frank Moscovitz, grandfather of Eliyahu, places the crown on the new Torah.



and strife – a true cause for genuine joy!

May we be written and sealed in the Book of Life for a healthy, happy and meaningful 5780.

Honoring Eliyahu's memory... on Sept. 22, as the one year anniversary of Eliyahu Moscovitz's brutal murder approached, the Chicago Jewish community joined together to celebrate the completion of Eliyahu's

most importantly, healthy New Year.

Yom Kippur – A Day of Celebration?
By Rabbi Meir Moscovitz

The Talmud tells us that Yom Kippur is the most joyous day on the Jewish calendar.

Joyous? That is not how this 25-hour fast day is usually described as.

Let's take a step back and understand Yom Kippur in its essence not just its adherence.

Where does forgiveness stem from?

Why should I forgive someone who has wronged me just because he apologized, he still did wrong, shouldn't his credit report record that for eternity?



Rabbi Meir Moscovitz

Chassidic thought emphasizes that genuine forgiveness is borne from reorientation of the relationship. When anger results from a companion wronging me, the wrong defines the relationship. He's the guy that mistreated me. When he asks for forgiveness and makes genuine atonement he is rearranging our interaction, he once again becomes, my friend (who did something wrong), his identity is our camaraderie not our behavior, and then forgiveness can settle in.

On Yom Kippur we reintroduce ourselves to G-d as a soul, a part of Him, a child seeking their parent. When we fast, we ignore our body and highlight our spiritual nature. We are spiritual beings who may do wrong, yet we seek to reconnect with our true spiritual selves and present that to G-d. And when we do, we are released from the pains of human pettiness

Torah. Friends, family and the community welcomed a new Torah scroll -- Judaism's most sacred object -- with a unique and celebratory ceremony and procession in Rogers Park.

An expert ritual scribe inked the final letters of the magnificent scroll, as done 3,300 years ago for the very first time by Moses. Following the completion of the Torah, the sacred scroll was taken to the streets under a traditional canopy in a joyous procession that included a float, live music, flags and dancing.

Eliyahu was a people's person and he went out of his way to connect with people, said his father, Rabbi Mendel Moscovitz. He was very devoted and sincere and everyone thought he was their best friend, his dad said.

The Torah event was joyous,

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Chicago home prices rise 3.5% despite slow transactions in August

Despite affordable mortgage rates, the doldrums of Summer apparently are keeping the Chicago housing market in slumber.

The city of Chicago saw year-over-year single-family home and condominium sales decrease 7.7% with only 2,543 transactions



The Home Front
By Don DeBat

posted in August, compared with 2,754 deals in the same month a year ago, reported Illinois Realtors.

However, the median price of a home in Chicago rose a solid 3.5% to \$289,900 in August, compared with \$280,000 in Aug. 2018.

"There's some hesitancy among consumers right now, with concerns regarding the yet-to-be-unveiled city budget, continued talks of a market downturn and ongoing international trade wars," said Tommy Choi president of the Chicago Assoc. of Realtors and broker at Keller Williams Chicago based in Lincoln Park.

"The data reflect that the market has stabilized, and opportunities are still there, particularly as historically low mortgage rates persist," Choi observed.

On Sept. 26, Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey reported that benchmark 30-year fixed home-loan rates averaged 3.64% nationwide, down from 3.73% a week earlier. A year ago, 30-year fixed loans averaged 4.72%. In Chicago, rates on benchmark 30-year fixed home loans ranged from 3.575% to 3.731% on Sept. 26, reported RateSeeker.com.

The national rate decrease followed the Sept. 19 the Federal Reserve Board cut of its benchmark federal funds rate a quarter of one percentage point to a range of 1.75% to 2%.



In the Chicago Metro Area, single-family home and condo sales in August totaled 11,008 units, down 6.6% from Aug. 2018 when 11,785 units were sold.

"Market time is down, suggesting buyers who are looking to purchase continue to act quickly, and median sales price has ticked up, so they're willing to pay for what they want," Choi said. "Those in the market, but on the fence, will benefit from trusting their Realtor to understand pricing strategy and negotiation tactics."

"The City of Chicago is holding strong on median sales price with a 4% increase over last year, despite a more than 7% dip in the number of homes sold," noted Realtor Hasani Steele of RE/MAX Premier. "Buyer increase in patience, especially if they already own, is in line with the increase of average market time."

In the nine-county Chicago Metro Area, single-family home and condo sales in August totaled 11,008 units, down 6.6% from Aug. 2018 when 11,785 units were sold. The median price in August was \$252,000 in the Chicago Metro Area, an increase of 3.9% over \$242,500 in Aug. 2018.

Sales and price information are generated by Multiple Listing

Service closed sales reported by 27 participating Illinois Realtor local boards and associations including Midwest Real Estate Data LLC data.

Statewide, a total of 15,716 homes and condos were sold in August, down 6.7% from 16,852 units in Aug. 2018. The statewide median price in August was \$214,000, up a hefty 7% from Aug. 2018, when the median price was \$200,000.

(The median is a typical market price where half the homes sold for more and half sold for less.)

"Illinois saw a surge in median prices in the final month of summer," noted Ed Neaves, 2020 Illinois Realtors president. "The resulting dip in inventory and sales numbers on an annual basis tell a tale of a market that is struggling to meet consumer demand in many areas as prospective homeowners scramble to take advantage of lower interest rates."

The time it took to sell a home in August statewide averaged 45 days, unchanged from a year ago. Available inventory totaled 60,149 units for sale, a 5.1% decline from 63,389 units in Aug. 2018.

"While long-term consumer sentiment on the housing market remains positive, the short-term outlook is cloudy," said Geoffrey J.D. Hewings, a Univ. of Illinois economist.

"However, the Fannie Mae housing purchasing index remains strong in large part from expectations of declines in interest rates," Hewings said. "Thus far, the impact on the Chicago and Illinois housing markets has been muted with modest price increases expected to continue."

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.

Pullman House tour Oct. 13

The Historic Pullman Foundation and the Pullman Civic Organization will host their 46th Annual House Tour on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 12-13. The tour will feature a glimpse into a collection of private homes in the Historic Pullman District.

A cross-section of different housing types will be featured, allowing visitors to see how these privately owned homes have been renovated and restored by the owners. Tours run from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Built in the 1880's, these landmark homes are a unique part of Chicago's history. The Pullman Historic District contains nearly 1,000 of the original residential structures of the town and many significant public buildings -- all designed by the then 26-year old Solon S. Beman between 1880 and 1893.

The Pullman Historic District, a City, State and National Historic Landmark since 1972, is a peerless example of an industrial

planned community. Today, enthusiastic residents of this vibrant area are involved with the preservation of the District and its heritage. A new era for Pullman began in 2016 when President Obama established the Pullman National Monument as a part of the National Park System.

Pullman was built by rail car magnate George M. Pullman as a planned community of homes, shops, schools, recreational facilities and industry in the form of his Pullman Palace Car Company, famous for its elegant sleeping cars. Built for workers to escape the dangers of the city's industrial workplace, Pullman provided a clean, safe and aesthetically pleasing environment for his workers to live and work. In return, Pullman could recruit the best craftsmen from around the world to live in what was billed as "The World's Most Perfect Town." Today, Pullman is a diverse neighborhood on Chicago's far south side, with a

community that is focused on the area's preservation.

The Pullman House Tour will begin at the Pullman National Monument Visitor Center, 11141 S. Cottage Grove Ave., where visitors can view exhibits on the history of Pullman and a 20 minute introductory video shown every 20 minutes. The self-guided tour will feature seven Pullman residences, the Greenstone Church and the Florence Lowden Miller Building. On Saturday, Q Kiser will entertain with his band Qombo under the arches of Market Hall 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Sunday, the Arcade Park Bandstand will feature the Mudcats Dixieland Band at 12:30pm. Antique and classic cars will be on display Sunday.

Discount pre-sale House Tour tickets may be purchased for \$20 in advance through Oct. 10. All proceeds from ticket sales benefit restoration projects in Pullman. For more information, call 773-785-8901.

City OK's moving pot dispensary closer to Wrigley Field

The city recently cut up the city into seven pot-retailing zones and quickly followed that by authorizing the move of MedMar Lakeview medical marijuana dispensary - and perhaps a soon-to-be recreational pot retailer - to a larger spot just south of Wrigley Field.

The dispensary is moving into a space now occupied by John Barleycorn, 3524 N. Clark St. Recreational pot sales and use goes live on Jan. 1, and existing medical dispensaries are now applying to sell recreational pot.

The trailer bill now working its way through Springfield is expected to address the needs of medical dispensaries that are now prohibited from selling recreational cannabis if they wish to relocate for any reason — which is what Cresco Labs is doing.

Cresco Labs already owned the medical dispensary, at a smaller space north of Wrigley Field, and they decided that they needed a larger facility closer to Wrigley Field to accommodate growing demand for medical and recreational marijuana.

In total, Cresco Labs owns five dispensaries in Illinois and is set to rebrand them all under the name "Sunnyside."

According to the City Hall, the owners of the 11 dispensaries that already sell pot products containing THC to approved patients in Chicago would only be required to take one step before being allowed to

sell recreational pot: that is submitting evidence to the Zoning Board that they've notified all property owners within 250' of their location of their change of business plans.

The city's Zoning Board of Appeals approved Cresco's move Sept. 20 under the condition that they must go back before the Zoning Board if it wants to sell recreational cannabis from this same location starting Jan. 1, 2020.

Under existing state law, medicinal dispensaries got first crack at applying with the state's Dept. of Financial and Professional Regulation for licenses to sell recreational pot on Oct. 1.

The rules released by the city last month left the downtown business and entertainments districts dry... with no pot stores allowed east of LaSalle St. in the central business district, Loop and Mag Mile.

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Back in 2015, when MedMar Lakeview's owners were first seeking state approval to open a medicinal pot dispensary in the community, their representatives told Lakeview neighbors that they would not consider opening a recreational sales facility in the community even if it became legal. But that promise was made before Cresco Labs bought the dispensary earlier this year.

Thanks in part to the state's elimination of background and fingerprint check re-

quirements for patients, the state now has more than 85,000 patients enrolled in Illinois' medical marijuana program, nearly twice as many as they had last year. The

state also expanded the list of qualifying medical conditions acceptable for legally using medical pot.

Great Pink Run 5K and 10K in Lincoln Park this weekend

Raises funds, awareness for Metastatic Breast Cancer research

Irish Olympian Sonia O'Sullivan will lead the pack for a 10K race Saturday, Oct. 5 at Diversey Harbor to support breast cancer survivors and patients. O'Sullivan is the 5000-meter World Champion.

Hundreds of men, women and children dressed in pink are expected to join in the Great Pink Run with Glanbia, a 5K fun walk/run at 9 a.m., and a 10K certified run at 8:30 a.m., and then enjoy a pink-themed festival after the runs at Diversey Harbor, 2601 N. Cannon Dr.

The Great Pink Run with Glanbia comes to the United States for the first time through Chicago in their quest to help find a cure. Held in Ireland since 2011, the Great Pink Run with Glanbia raises money for international breast cancer research collaboration, with the goal of bringing the brightest minds to-

gether to transform breast cancer from an often-fatal disease to a treatable, long-term illness.

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Police Beat...

Man who held SWAT team at bay hit with 25 felony counts

A grand jury has returned a long list of felony charges against Anthony Hatley, 58, the man who allegedly put a knife to his girlfriend's head and then held a SWAT team at bay in Lincoln Park last month.

Prosecutors initially charged Hatley only with failure to register as a sex offender. But a grand jury had some additional ideas. The panel has returned a true bill in which Hatley is charged with 25 felonies, including 22 Class X counts.

Police went to a home in the 2500 block of N. Bosworth after neighbors reported hearing a woman scream for help around 11:45 a.m. Aug. 29. Officers went to a third-floor apartment where they found Hatley naked with a knife held to his girlfriend's head.

Patrol officers tried to defuse the situation, but decided to call in a SWAT team after Hatley allegedly rolled the knife on top of the woman's head, causing her to bleed.

The SWAT standoff ended peacefully in the afternoon.

Two days before the stand-off, Hatley was arrested and released on a recognizance bond after he allegedly threatened people at a restaurant near Belmont and Sheffield with a knife, according to court records.

So, some eyebrows were raised when police announced one day after the SWAT situation that Hatley had only been charged with failure to register as a sex offender.

Now, court records show, a Cook County grand jury has thrown the book at Hatley. The panel's true bill charges Hatley with 14 counts of Class X aggravated criminal sexual assault including counts involving weapons and threats to life. The new charges also include three Class X home invasion counts; four counts of Class X aggravated kidnapping while inflicting harm; Class X aggravated kidnapping while armed; and felony counts of aggravated battery by strangling, aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, and aggravated unlawful restraint.

Hatley is being held without bail under the name Anthony Stevenson at Cook County Jail.

State records show Hatley was 39-years-old when he sexually assaulted an 18-year-old in Cook County. He was convicted of aggravated criminal sexual assault and aggravated criminal sexual assault with a weapon in 2001.

13 teens beat and robbed victims near Loop campus

A group of 13 teenagers beat and robbed a man of his phone in the Loop Sept. 23, according to an alert issued by DePaul University's public safety office. The offenders then battered and robbed another group of people nearby, according to police reports and the school. Five offenders are in custody, DePaul said.

The teens attacked the first victim around 9:30 p.m. at 359 S. State St., took his phone, then ran southbound. Moments later, the group attacked and robbed four men as

they stood outside 701 S. State St., according to the school's alert. Police said the second group of victims sought help at a nearby pizza restaurant.

Officers searched the area and arrested five people who were identified as being part of the group who beat and robbed the victims.

DePaul and Chicago police said the offenders were black males and females in their late teens, many of whom wore yellow jackets. After the second attack, the group ran south on State, then east on 8th Street, police said.

No further information was immediately available about the arrested individuals or the charges filed.

Locker room thief busted in Lakeview

A man who police had been seeking in connection with a series of locker room break-ins at North Side gyms recently crossed paths with the wrong cops — while driving an allegedly stolen car.

Police were on patrol in the 500 block of W. Belmont early on Sept. 7 when their squad car's automated license plate reader activated. It had just scanned the license plate of a car that had been reported stolen in Des Plaines.

Cops pulled the vehicle over and asked the occupants to step out.

A routine name check revealed that the driver, Hector Roman, 18, of the Austin neighborhood, was wanted for allegedly breaking into fitness center lockers to steal valuables.

Prosecutors charged him with three felony counts of burglary for the gym allegations and criminal trespass to a vehicle. Police say he also had an arrest warrant out of Des Plaines for identity theft.

Roman is accused of burglarizing a locker at LA Fitness, 6107 N. Broadway, on Oct. 12, 2018; and two lockers at Planet Fitness, 3636 N. Broadway on May 12.

The keys to the allegedly stolen car that Roman was driving? Those were reported stolen from a gym locker.

Court records show that he went AWOL after being released on bail while awaiting trial for allegedly burglarizing a locker at LA Fitness, 1804 W. Lawrence, on May 29.

This week, he was accused of three more burglaries in north suburban Skokie. All together, Roman is charged with seven burglaries and two counts of identity theft.

The passenger who was riding with Roman in the allegedly stolen car, Clarissa Gillespie, 31, is also charged with misdemeanor criminal trespass to a vehicle.

Woman carjacked in Loop garage

Two men stole a woman's car after forcing her to lie on the floor of a Loop parking garage Sept. 24, police said. It is at least the second armed carjacking in the Loop since Sept. 16.

Police said the victim, 32, was returning to her car in the garage at 811 S. State around 11:15 a.m. when she was confronted by two offenders.

One of the men displayed a handgun as they ordered her to get on the ground. The woman followed their orders and the men took all of her belongings, then fled in her vehicle, police said. She was not physically harmed.

The stolen car is a silver Hyundai sedan bearing a license plate that begins with AU98.

According to the woman, the robbers were two black or Hispanic men in their late teens or early 20's. One

wore a gray hoodie with dark pants while the other wore a black hoodie with red pants.

On Sept. 16, an attorney was carjacked by a man outside the Daley Center shortly after 2 p.m. The victim, 31, had just dropped his wife off to get her driver's license renewed when a man climbed into his back seat while wielding a blunt metal object, according to a witness and the victim.

"He demanded I start driving — as if he wanted to take me hostage," the victim said. "I immediately jumped out of the car and sought help from nearby pedestrians. That's when he got into the driver seat and drove off."

"I've shared this story with a few attorneys and judges. They are all shocked at how close to home this incident was."

Death at Belmont Harbor

Authorities have identified a man who was found dead in Belmont Harbor on Sept. 13. The body of Patrick Owens, 35, was pulled from the south end of the harbor by police divers around 5:30 p.m. So far, the medical examiner has not ruled on the cause or manner of Owens' death.

Owens was well-known to North Side cops. He was frequently arrested for theft and other minor crimes. There's a reason we mention that.

About eight hours before Owens' body was discovered, police were called to the south end of Belmont Harbor by a man who found a bag containing multiple cellular phones lying next to the water. The bag also contained Owens' birth certificate and Social Security card.

Man hit with 11 years for pushing woman onto Red Line tracks

The man who knocked a woman onto the Red Line CTA tracks at Belmont in 2018 has been sentenced to 11 years in prison.

Melvin Doss pleaded guilty to attempted murder in a deal with prosecutors that resulted in the dismissal of several other felony counts.

After the incident, the victim told this reporter that she was on the northbound platform when she saw a man urinating nearby around 4 p.m. on June 1, 2018.

"I walked by him and said, 'You can't do that in a bathroom?'"

"He told me to f-ck off. I took a picture of him and he said, 'I'm going to kill you, b-tch.' I flipped him off and started walking away."

Doss punched the 48-year-old victim in the head, causing her to fall onto the L tracks below. Police said her head struck a rail and she broke her arm by trying to cushion the fall.

"I fell off the platform and landed headfirst on the tracks," she said. "A bunch of people ran to the edge of the platform, motioning me to go over there so they could pull me up. I was really shaky and couldn't get up on my own. A couple guys jumped down, helped me up and walked me to the platform."

By the time police arrived, the offender was gone. "I'd never seen him before," the woman said. But she still had that picture.

The woman, who lives in Rogers Park, received eight staples to close a head wound and a soft cast was placed on her hand and forearm.

A few days later, a CTA employee recognized Goss at the Kimball Station and called police. The transit worker ordered the train to stay in the station until police arrived to take Goss into custody. A source said he

was wearing the same hat and jacket seen in the photo that the victim took shortly before she was attacked.

Currency exchange robbery attempt put two North Side schools on lockdown

Two schools were locked down briefly after a gunman tried to rob a North Center currency exchange on Sept. 23, according to a police report. No injuries were reported.

Police said a masked man walked into the Illinois Currency Exchange at 4101 N. Lincoln and displayed a handgun while demanding money around 12:15 p.m. Employees activated an alarm and took cover behind the counter. When they looked up, the man was gone.

A witness reported that the man propped the business' front door open, possibly to avoid being intentionally locked in by the exchange's security system. Several people told police that the offender fled west on Belle Plaine and then ducked into an alley.

He was described as being black, very short, and dressed in all black clothing. He also wore a black face mask.

Police searched the area with a helicopter and dogs, but came up empty-handed, according to a police spokesperson.

St. Benedict Preparatory School at 3900 N. Leavitt went on lockdown for a short time while police searched the area, according to the parent of a student. The parent said a soft lockdown was implemented as a precaution at St. Andrew School, 1710 W. Addison.

Last Wednesday, a Dollar Tree in nearby Lincoln Square was also robbed. In that case, a man entered the store around 6:40 p.m., punched the cashier, and took money from the register, according to a police report.

The Lincoln Square robber was described as a black man in his early 20's who is very tall and very skinny. He was wearing a gray t-shirt with shorts and white tennis shoes. Witnesses said he fled northbound on Western, then west on Lawrence.

Man on parole for robbing stores, now charged with robbing two stores in Lincoln Park and Lakeview

A man who has been sent to prison repeatedly for robbing retail shops in Lakeview and Lincoln Park is being held without bail after prosecutors charged him with the armed robberies of two stores this month — one in Lakeview, and the other in Lincoln Park.

Raymond Bensfield, 44, was released from prison July 10 after serving half of a three-year sentence that he received for robbing the Walgreens at 3201 N. Broadway of two bottles of liquor and swinging a bottle at a manager who tried to stop him. That robbery took place five days after Bensfield was released from prison for robbing two other stores.

Now, prosecutors say he robbed two stores in the course of three days this month.

On Sept. 19, Bensfield allegedly wielded a knife and robbed a retailer on the 2700 block of N. Clark around 9:45 a.m., according to a police spokesperson. Then, at 11:37 a.m. Sept. 22, Bensfield allegedly threatened to shoot an employee who tried to stop him from stealing a case of beer at Walgreens, 3046 N. Halsted. No gun was displayed.

Police arrested Bensfield the next

day when they recognized him on the 900 block of W. Addison. He is being held without bail, charged with aggravated robbery indicating the presence of a firearm and armed robbery with a dangerous weapon.

In late July, less than three weeks after he was released from prison, Bensfield was charged with being part of a group that stole merchandise from the Jewel-Osco at 3531 N. Broadway. One member of the group allegedly threatened staff members with a knife.

Previously, Bensfield was sentenced to a pair of four-year prison sentences for stealing cigarettes and liquor from a 7-Eleven store on the 2600 block of N. Clark while claiming to have a gun. The next day, he stole a bottle of Jägermeister from the Walgreens at 2817 N. Clark and threatened to shoot an employee.

Before his arrests for those two robberies in 2016, Bensfield collected a series of charges for his alleged behavior in Lakeview and Lincoln Park.

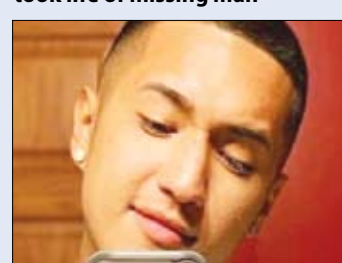
On Nov. 9, 2015, an employee of the now-defunct Market Place grocery, 521 W. Diversey, claimed that Bensfield punched him in the face when he confronted Bensfield about stealing merchandise. Charges were dropped when the victim failed to show up in court, records show.

On Nov. 3, 2015, an employee of the 7-Eleven at Pine Grove and Diversey detained Bensfield for allegedly trying to shoplift a can of Steel Reserve Spiked Punch and a six-pack of Fat Tire Amber Ale. These charges were also dropped because the witness did not appear in court.

In July 2015, Bensfield received a 6-month sentence after he pleaded guilty to pulling a knife on an employee of Walmart Neighborhood Market, 2844 N. Broadway after the victim confronted Bensfield in an area that is reserved for employees.

He has previously served prison time for arson and armed robbery, according to state records.

Medical examiner: Drowning took life of missing man



Esteban Uriostigue

A Lawndale man whose body was found in the Chicago River after he went missing from a grocery store in Lincoln Park this summer died by drowning, according to the Cook County medical examiner's office. The office was unable to determine if his death was accidental, according to records.

Esteban Uriostigue, 22, left the Jewel-Osco at 2550 N. Clybourn around 9 p.m. June 25 but never returned home. He was a former employee of the store and still had friends who worked there.

Uriostigue's body was found a week later in the Chicago River near Webster Ave., about a half-mile south of the grocery store parking lot.

Cops warn of North Side garage burglaries

Police have warned North Siders about a pattern of garage burglaries that have been reported in September. Detectives typically issue community alerts when they believe a person or group is responsible for a series of crimes.

The good, bad, North and South of Chicago baseball history



While many today believe Abner Doubleday invented the game of baseball, the real history is a little more complicated than the legend. References to games resembling baseball in the United States date back to the 18th century.

BY PATRICK BUTLER

As the Cubs and White Sox seasons come to a close, and both teams head for off-season golfing and fishing, local fans came out to hear about the long and important history of baseball in Chicago Sept. 18 during a presentation by the Ravenswood/Lake View Historical Assoc. at the Sulzer Library.

If you always thought of baseball as the cleanest, all-American sport, other fans like Kevin Kaufmann are here to tell you that was not always so. Kaufmann teaches American cultural history at Loyola University's Center for Experimental Learning. Kaufmann grew up in Cleveland, OH watching the Cleveland Indians and once worked for the Chicago Cubs, but says today he's really much more of a White Sox fan.

When asked how he felt during the seven games of the 2016 World Series Championship, Kaufmann responded with "conflicted."

During the talk, he gave a brief history of the growth of both of Chicago's major league teams, including the good years and bad. He spoke about the All American Girls Professional Baseball League, founded in Chicago by chewing gum manufacturer Philip K. Wrigley.

He also spoke about the Chicago American Giants who were a Chicago-based Negro League baseball team, owned and managed from 1911 to 1926 by player-manager Andrew "Rube" Foster. He says that "Dixie wasn't the only place where Jim Crow held sway," and that Chicago offered plenty of outright racism from those who took part in the early days of America's favorite past time.

From 1910 until the mid-1930s, the American Giants were the most dominant team in black baseball. The club relied on fielding, pitching, speed, teamwork and good execution to succeed in winning championships. They won five pennants in that league, along with another pennant in the 1932 Negro Southern League and a second-half championship in Gus Greenlee's Negro National

League in 1934. The team disbanded in 1956.

In fact, a "gentlemen's agreement" among league owners barred non-white players from playing on the same field as white players until 1947 when Jackie Robinson broke the color barrier when he was signed by the Brooklyn Dodgers.



Dr. Kevin Kaufmann

As far back as anyone could remember, the game was widely looked on as a white gentlemen's game – which meant no blacks were welcome since they weren't considered "gentlemen," no matter how good they were at the sport.

Nevertheless, some team owners considered themselves "good Christians" because they didn't have games on Sundays.

Of course, all that Sabbath-keeping went by the boards on discovering the other "good Christians" who were having their players working on Sundays

because that was the only day of the week many workers got the day off before the days of the five-day work week, Kaufmann said.

Interestingly enough, even the Civil War hero we always thought was the inventor of the game not only didn't invent the so-called All-American game, but probably never even saw a game in his life, many historians now believe. Abner Doubleday (June 1819 – Jan. 1893) was a career U.S. Army officer and Union major general in the American Civil War. As it turns out, the real history of baseball is a little more complicated than the Doubleday legend. References to games resembling baseball in the United States date back to the 18th century. He himself never claimed to have anything to do with baseball. In 1907, a special commission created by the sporting goods magnate and former major league player A.G. Spalding used flimsy evidence—namely the claims of one man to come up with the Doubleday origin story.

In Sept. 1845, a group of New York City men founded the New York Knickerbocker Baseball Club. One of them—volunteer firefighter and bank clerk Alexander Joy Cartwright—would codify a new set of rules that would form the basis for modern baseball, calling for a diamond-shaped infield, foul lines and the three-strike rule. The rules were probably cobbled out of several games – Rounders and Cricket – dating back even before the American Revolution.

That's right, the "All-American game" was probably invented by the Brits.

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Letters to the Editor

Two other elephants in the deconversion room

I enjoyed reading the latest column from Don DeBat entitled "New condo 'deconversion' ordinance gives owners more power" [Sept. 25].

Mr. DeBat pointed out that the owners of older buildings face huge special assessments because of problems involving, roofs, elevators and windows, etc.

However, I wanted to point out that there are two other elephants in the room that were not mentioned that will also have a huge financial impact on condo owners of older buildings: First, almost all of these building were built with pipes made of galvanized steel instead of copper. The galvanized steel pipes are now severely corroded and have started to spring leaks.

Replacing the pipes costs many millions of dollars, perhaps as much as replacing the windows, and would cause a huge disruption to the day-to-day routine over a long period of time. Second, virtually none of these buildings has a sprinkler system installed to fight fires. Obviously, sprinklers are not required, but they are clearly the preferred choice; they also cost many millions of dollars.

The building where I live on E. Chestnut St. faces a myriad of problems, such as 55-year-old windows that are junk, 55-year-old galvanized steel pipes that are

Skyline - very popular... or very UNPOPULAR!!

There are a number of competing publications dropped off here at 400 E. Randolph St. (Outer Drive East). But the stack of Skylines suddenly disappeared entirely!

Your clear-eyed and open-minded reporting no doubt irritates local real estate interests!

Keep up the good work!

Richard Fry

full of rust, a ventilation system which barely works, and a lack of sprinklers, despite 2 deadly fires in recent memory which killed or injured a total of 25 people.

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HUMOR from p. 2

protected by my Chicago sense of humor. An armor plate hilarity, strong on irony and laughter-clad suspicion.

I was recently thrilled to run into this high school journalistic big shot. And delighted to see that he's employed in his family's funeral home business and suffering through the last stages of his nasty "comb-over."

Couldn't happen to a nicer person.

I do not believe he ever met sweet Mary Ellen Moriarity. Long years an able teaching nun.

Humor is often the best example to spotlight a dark heart or questionable intentions. Chicagoans can sniff out a humorless soul from the far end of the bar. We can smell the stink of a foul disposition, like a bad hot-dog. I think that's why we like to squeeze out a laugh when we see the feds get their man. When the long, slow arm of justice goes looking through the financial records of contributions made to a ward heelers' slush funds and election year war chests. We all need a larger sense of humor then. Especially with those plutocrats who prohibit term limits. Or a change in the size of city government, the Assessor's tax code or the penalties for keeping your family on your payroll.

Perhaps laughter really can bend history's hope, rearrange right living and restore conduct's code. Maybe laughter's really medicinal, homeopathic and restorative to life. Hilarity remains lyrical for us, like an aria at the opera sung across the stage. Or



Mamie Walton, Susan Regenstein, Linda Heister, Dori Wilson and Peter Axelson.

the soft prayer of intercession said in a candlelit church. Maybe it's the flame of a thousand friendships warming the conscience of a generation against the chill of an isolated life. Perhaps the irony and parody of everyday living can redeem us with the soft pratfalls and high-brow post modern belly laughs. That's no joke.

"There was ease in Casey's manner as he stepped into his place; There was pride in Casey's bearing and a smile on Casey's face."

SKREBNESKI ON SKREBNESKI: Myra Reilly, Nena Ivon, Bobbi Panter, Mark Olley and Cynthia Olson were among those celebrating an evening with Chicago fashion photography landmark **Victor Skrebneski** at the Women's Athletic Club. Skrebneski's imprint on the city is without equal for gentlemanly kindness and professional finesse. It's all there in a handsome coffee table volume, "Skrebneski Documented," that opened the fall season for Nena Ivon's erudite book club. Stories from the old days flowed like a river. My Dublin pal, **Desmond Guinness**, has known him for de-

cedes and adores his nobility and quiet grandeur.

SILVER CHEER: This column's great pals, **Dame Charlene** and **Scott Seaman** are celebrating 25 years of marriage. We wish them love and adventure; kindness and sweet peace throughout their generous life.

CHICAGO THEATRE NEWS: Young Chicago actor **Nate Buescher** out for an early coffee with his mom, **Teresa Nelson Buescher** and enjoying hit reviews from "Newsies" opening night at the Paramount Theater.

ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO: "Andy Warhol - From A to B and Back Again," Oct. 20, to Jan. 26. More than 350 works. This exhibition was organized by the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York.

INSTANT EXTRA POINTS: Bearzzz Mobile Down! **Rich Barrett** reports that last week some "jerk" piled into the rear of the Bearzzz Mobile on East 18th St.! Not surprisingly, the bad guy fled the scene. And then along came true Chicagoans. Within hours the scene was transformed into a make-shift Shrine. Bears Fans left Italian sausage and steaks on the hood with a sign: "We Will Be Back." Photos of Da Coach, **Mike Ditka**, adorning Da windshield. Hoping the owner tapes estimate of repairs to the driver's side window - Barrett says he just knows Bearzzzz Fans will start a 'Go Fund Me' page to help the owner out. Why the sausages and steaks you may ask? For BBQing at a tailgate last Sunday before Da Game. So how 'bout it? Only in the Chicago.

ARF-ARF: Laugh-ins' **Jo Anne Worley**, Leave it to Beaver's **Toni Dow**, St. Elsewhere's **Ed Begley, Jr.** and actress **Rachelle Carson-Begley** have all been lassooed by **Bobbi Panter** for Haute Dog Los Angeles Goes Hollywood to raise funds for Canine Companions for Independence with these amazing Hollywood stars in just three weeks.

CHICAGO FILM FESTIVAL: The 55th Chicago International Film Festival unveils its Gala and Special Presentation to take place Oct. 16-27 at AMC River East 21.

DON GIOVANNI: Lyric Opera remounts its powerful production of **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Don Giovanni** staged by Tony Award-winning director **Rober Falls** Nov. 14 - Dec. 8. Make it your 2019 choice.

LUFTING ON THE LAKE: **Roger and Janet Owen** enjoying an autumnal sail on Lake Michigan with dear friends **Andrew Miller, Roger Owen, Cathy Tarant, Caitlin McCarthy** and **Alberto Miranda** and the man who really makes all sailings

work, good friend and first mate, **Andrew Hayes Petersen**.

WHO'S WHERE? Birthday girl, **Myra Reilly** doing sushi at Mirai Sushi Gold Coast with **Stuart** and **Joann Nathan**... on the magic of Paris streets is **Ikram Goldman** making her way to Sacre Couer... **Tony** and **Kristen Cote-Favaro** celebrating 20-years of wedded life traveling through their beloved Scopello, Sicilia, Italia, "Auguri amore mio"... **Mickey Boardman** dining at Fork in Philadelphia with two favorites **Michael Musto** and **Erik Schut**... **Darren P. Coady** with **Genevieve Coady** and **Timothy Patrick Coady** at their POV Lake Resort in Northern WI...



Dame Charlene and Scott Seaman.

the more than lovely **Lynn Graham** celebrating her birthday at Ralph Lauren Bar & Grill where she's a favorite with pal **Karen**... Chase Banks' **Victoria Dal Santo** and husband, attorney, **John Dombrowski**, in Lisbon traversing the Iberian Peninsula... **Sherry Lea Fox** and **Mark Olley** at the The Geraghty for Courage Gala 2019 honoring Advocate Lutheran General Hospital... **Madeleine Donovan** and **Kathy McCauley** dropping anchor at Villefranche-sur-Mer on the French Riviera... **Toni Di Meola** with **Paul R. Iacono** at The Geraghty... **Jim Kinney** and **Brian White** having a Korean dinner at Jeong with Brian's adorable mother, **Jeanne White**, a Pine Manor girl... **Joey Di Buono**, the boss at legendary Tufano's Trattoria on Vernon Park Place was a guest on **Dean Richard's** "Food Time," WGN Radio show, and unrolled the history of the family's longtime enterprise in Chicago's 'Little Italy'... **Diane Abt** is in the colorful city of Porto climbing all those steps... **Mamie Walton, Linda Heister, Susan L. Regenstein, Dori Wilson** all lurching and **Peter Axelsen**, server supreme and artist making sure everything works... **Houda Tebcherany** is with **Tia Naayem** and **Rami N. Naayem** celebrating these two wonderful souls everyday. No superlatives are enough to describe them... **Jennifer Sutton Brieva** traveling to Fort Collins, CO, with **Joaquin C. Brieva**, her birthday love, for a big wedding.

FRESH ART: **Stephanie Leese Emerich** is feeling curious with **Jeffrey Emrich** at Koehnline Museum of Art, Des Plaines. Invigorating! Art for art's sake. Impressive collection, approachable and fun.

DANDELIONS ARE NOT WEEDS: Only in the 20th century did humans decide that the dandelion was a weed. Before the invention of perfectly manicured lawns, dandelions were more or less praised as a natural medicine, food source and outright magic.

Back in the day, grass was dug out to make room for the dandelions - just imagine!

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SUGAR REMEMBERS: The remarkable painting by **Caillebotte** has returned to its wall in The Art Institute of Chicago after a loan to Europe; it has been part of my Chicago private video since I was eight-years-old and would go to the museum... where we donated a gallery in honor of my parents... to stand in front of just two selected paintings weekly... (Thanks Sugar. Love the story. We can't forget these charming pieces of Chicago history.)

EVERSIGHTS GALA: **Frances Renk** tells us on Oct. 24, Eversights 21st annual Gala will be honoring **Sherry Lea Holson (Fox)** as their Visionary Woman of the Year. She's a civic leader and a philanthropist who works tirelessly in her efforts to raise awareness for so many charities and help so many people. Visit eversightvision.org for details. Hope to see you all there.

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Harvest Fest at Indian Boundary Park

This year's annual Harvest Fest at Indian Boundary Park, 2500 W. Lunt, will be Sunday, Oct. 6 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Chicago Park District is bringing a little bit of the country to the city at this family-friendly event. Admission is free and there will be many low-cost activities for the whole family, including carnival games, a petting zoo, pony rides, temporary tattoos and a harvest photo station. For more information, call 773-764-0338.

Gallery exhibit reclaims healing for survivors of sexual violence

On Friday, Oct. 11, 6 p.m., the Awakenings art gallery walls will be covered with objects that have undergone artistic transformation: clothing that's been turned into paper, a grandfather clock turned into a self-portrait, a t-shirt made safe again, and a book erased and rewritten into a new story.

Awakenings artist Raelen Kao is hosting the exhibit "RECLAIM," a visual art exhibit focused on reclamation through transformation, at the Ravenswood-area gallery, 4001 N. Ravenswood.

These objects have all been reclaimed by survivors of sexual violence and to visualize and document their healing process. Through focusing on survivor artists' transmutation of an object, photographic documentation of the process, and an opportunity for gallery visitors to reclaim their own stories through redacted book pages, Awakenings' newest art exhibit hopes to remind survivors that what was once theirs can be made theirs again.

Gallery programming tries to provide a safe space and supportive community for survivors who wish to share their stories, and also educates the public about the reality of sexual assault through rotating art exhibits, a digital literary magazine, concerts, and other performances. For more information visit www.awakeningsart.org.

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The thief has been accessing the garages through unlocked doors, police said, although he did pry open a door in one case.

Related incidents have been reported in Uptown, North Center, and Lakeview, according to the alert. Police said the break-ins took place on the 4500 block of N. Hermitage sometime between Sep. 3 and Sep. 9; in the 1800 block of W. Berenice on Sep. 4; in the 3500 block of N. Hermitage between 10 p.m. and 11:15 p.m. on Sep. 11; in the 2000 block of W. Cuyler between 3 p.m. Sep. 15 and 4:50 a.m. on Sep. 16; and in the 1900 block of W. Oakdale between 7:50 p.m. and 8:10 p.m. on Sep. 22.

Police offered no description of the offender. Detectives urged residents to tell family and friends who live in the neighborhood about the pattern and to ensure that garage doors are secure at all times.

Any information about the crimes may be shared with Area North investigators at 312-744-8263. Refer to pattern P19-N-244.

7-Eleven arrest

One adult has been charged in connection with last Sunday's flash mob theft from a Gold Coast convenience store.

Video published online last Sunday showed seven men entering the store at 1036 N. Dearborn earlier in the day — four of the men then went behind the counter and stole an estimated \$2,265 worth of merchandise, according to police. Taken were 100 packs of Newport cigarettes, a carton of Newports, and four packs of rolled cigars.

About three hours after the theft, police of-

ficers monitoring a POD camera allegedly saw Fajour Hodges, 18, selling loose cigarettes near Chicago and Wabash. Patrol officers approached Hodges and found him in possession of three boxes of Newports, according to a CPD report.



Fajour Hodges

Hodges denied being at the 7-Eleven earlier in the day and he told officers that he purchased the cigarettes for \$8 a pack from a friend. Prosecutors charged Hodges with felony theft and Judge David Navarro released him on a recognizance bond.

In addition to the 7-Eleven case, Hodges is due back in court on Oct. 8 to face charges of possessing a stolen Divvy bike near State St. and Chicago Ave. on Aug. 21. Police said the bike Hodges was riding had been reported stolen from a Divvy technician earlier in the summer.

Man shot near Cabrini-Green

A 46-year-old man was shot early Sunday morning in the Near North neighborhood, police said.

The victim was on the 400 block of W. Oak when he heard the sound of gunfire come from a passing vehicle shortly before 5 a.m., according to a police department source. The man, struck once in his right shoulder, was driven to Northwestern Memorial Hospital in a private car. He is in serious condition, but he has been stabilized.

Police were unable to find shell casings or other evidence of a shooting at the scene. Area Central detectives are investigating.

INSIDE PUBLICATIONS

Lakeview AT&T store robbed

Police are investigating the armed robbery of an AT&T store in Lakeview on Saturday. No one was injured.

Three men entered the store at 554 W. Diversey around 3:50 p.m. and one of the offenders displayed a knife, according to police and a witness who contacted this newspaper.

"They came in brandishing knives and robbed the store ripping all the equipment off the displays and carrying it away," the witness said.

According to surveillance video, the robbers

were black men in their late teens or early 20's. One wore a green puffy jacket, a blue hat with yellow writing on the front, and light-colored jeans. Another wore a blue hoodie with a horizontal stripe and gray pants. The third wore a black hoodie, black pants, and white shoes. They were all last seen heading west on Diversey from the retailer.

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Commonly known as 5455 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD, UNIT 1012, CHICAGO, IL 60640
Property Index No. 14-08-203-016-1099
The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$189,099.62.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
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For information, RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES Plaintiff's Attorneys, 120 N. LASALLE STREET, SUITE 1140, CHICAGO, IL, 60602 (312) 239-3432. Please refer to file number 19IL00034-1.
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Real Estate For Sale

Attorney File No. 19IL00034-1
Attorney Code. 46689
Case Number: 2019 CH 01226
TJSC#: 39-5076
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 # 2019 CH 01226
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,
-v-
D. JENTHANOMMA AKA DAKEPHOL JENTHANOMMA, R. JENTHANOMMA AKA RUNGRAWE JENTHANOMMA AKA ROONG JENTHANOMMA, 6300 SHERIDAN BUILDING CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants,
19 CH 02708
6300 N. SHERIDAN, UNIT 103 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 July 9, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on November 1, 2019, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 6300 N. SHERIDAN, UNIT 103, CHICAGO, IL 60660
Property Index No. 14-05-202-019-1003
The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$104,091.82.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
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For information, HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 2120-15677.

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217-422-1719
Fax #: 217-422-1754
E-Mail: CookPleadings@hsbattys.com
Attorney File No. 2120-15677
Attorney Code. 40387
Case Number: 19 CH 02708
TJSC#: 39-4292
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 # 19 CH 02708
Defendants
17 CH 9738
5344 NORTH WINTHROP AVENUE, UNIT 3E 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 July 25, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 28, 2019, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 5344 NORTH WINTHROP AVENUE, UNIT 3E, CHICAGO, IL 60640
Property Index No. 14-08-207-022-1031
The real estate is improved with a townhouse.
The judgment amount was \$304,784.45.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
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For information, HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 2120-15677.

Real Estate For Sale

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For information, The sales clerk, SHAPIRO KREISMAN & ASSOCIATES, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 2121 WAUKEGAN RD., SUITE 301, Bannockburn, IL, 60015 (847) 291-1717 For information call between the hours of 1pm - 3pm. Please refer to file number 17-083497.
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Attorney File No. 17-083497
Attorney Code. 42168
Case Number: 17 CH 9738
TJSC#: 39-4823
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 # 17 CH 9738
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OF THE CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-13 Plaintiff,
-v-
DIEGO VELASQUEZ, CITY OF CHICAGO, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Defendants,
2019 CH 03256
4816 NORTH MAGNOLIA AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60640
NOTICE OF SALE
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Commonly known as 4816 NORTH MAGNOLIA AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60640
Property Index No. 14-08-317-035-0000
The real estate is improved with a yellow vinyl siding, two story single family home, detached two car garage.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
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.

Real Estate For Sale

Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, the right to redeem does not arise, there shall be no right of redemption.
The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.
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MCCALLA RAYMER LEIBERT PIERCE, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, One North Dearborn Street, Suite 1200, Chicago, IL, 60602. Tel No. (312) 346-9088.
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Chicago IL, 60602
312-346-9088
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Attorney File No. 269529
Attorney ARDC No. 61256
Attorney Code. 61256
Case Number: 2019 CH 03256
TJSC#: 39-4747
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 # 2019 CH 03256
I3131981
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT INDIVIDUALLY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR BLUEWATER INVESTMENT TRUST 2017-1 Plaintiff,
-v-
MELISSA B. GOLDFEIN, THE SOUTHPORT PLACE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS
Defendants,
2017 CH 16419
4021 NORTH SOUTHPORT AVENUE UNIT 1 CHICAGO, IL 60613
NOTICE OF SALE
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Commonly known as 4021 NORTH SOUTHPORT AVENUE UNIT 1, CHICAGO, IL 60613
Property Index No. 14-17-315-014-1010
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For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876
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Attorney Code. 21762
Case Number: 2017 CH 16419
TJSC#: 39-4773
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Case # 2017 CH 16419
I3131813
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Campfire Horrors in Oct. at Northerly Island

A warm fire on a cool night is the perfect setting for a scary movie. Cozy up to a cracking campfire, roast marshmallows and enjoy horror classics under the October sky on Northerly Island, 1521 S. Linn White Dr.

Campfires are lit at 6:30, movie begins at 7 p.m. Marshmallows are provided, but bring your own blankets and chairs. All events are outside, weather permitting, but will be moved inside in the event of rain.

- Friday, Oct. 4 (Double Feature!) - Hocus Pocus (PG) and Frankenstein (NR)
- Friday, Oct. 11 - Misery (R)
- Friday Oct. 18 - Shaun of the Dead (R)
- Friday, Oct. 25 - Interview with the Vampire (R)

Christie's celebrates 40 years in Chicago with free art exhibition Oct. 16-19

An art exhibition will be on display for the public free of charge 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 16-19 at the Christie's gallery, 857 N. Michigan Ave., suite 3810.

The exhibition is part of the fine arts auctioneer's celebration of its 40th year in Chicago.

The show features work from impressionist and modern artists, post-war and contemporary artists, and 20th-century designers. Highlights include Jean Dubuffet's "Palinodie," which is

worth up to \$5 million; Charles White's "Banner for Willie J.," worth up to \$1.5 million; and Pablo Picasso's "Buste d'homme," worth up to \$12 million.

A "Moon and Stars" trumpet designed and played by Miles Davis also will be unveiled to the public for the first time and exhibited in the lobby of the building.

Christie's will offer two educational programs this month as well, beginning Oct. 18 with "Art Insight: Masterpieces, Makers and the Market." The one-day class will provide an overview of the current art market, address the

value and validation of modern and contemporary art, and feature a specialist-led walk-through of the exhibition.

On Oct. 19, "A Primer in Pop Art" examines the origins of pop art, its practitioners in New York and California, and the contributions of women artists to the field. The lecture provides context for "Andy Warhol-From A to B and Back Again," the exhibition opening Oct. 20 at the Art Institute of Chicago.

Both courses require reserved tickets in advance. For more information call 312-787-2765.

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and was meant to turn the horrible tragedy of Eliyahu's death into honoring and celebrating his life.

"It was an amazing and powerful event... coming together as a community for celebration and joy," said Rabbi Meir Moscovitz.

Congrats to... Mag Mile residents Joan and Paul Rubschlager, generous philanthropists who will be honored on Oct. 24 through the "Harold & Molly Schwartz Founders Award," for their outstanding commitment and achievement to the National Kidney Foundation of Illinois (NKFI) at its 34th Annual Gift of Life Gala, being held at the Drake Hotel, 140 E. Walton Pl.

The Rubschlagers owned a successful baking business for many years and in the mid-1980s, they decided the best way to share their success was to found the Joan and Paul Rubschlager Foundation. Their head baker's wife suffered from kidney disease and waited for a transplant that would never come. Joan's own father suffered kidney failure during emergency surgery.

The couple knew there was much to be done in the area of research and patient support. Quite a few years ago they became involved with NKFI, whose mission is to improve the health of those at risk or affected by kidney disease through free screening programs and community health

initiatives in Illinois.

Joan Rubschlager said she and her husband are "truly touched" to be honored by the organization. She said that being part of NKFI is important to them because of the great patient support it provides, along with the opportunity the organization offers for screenings

so kidney problems can be detected early and managed.

"We are pleased to have been asked to help when the Foundation needed funding to get the Kidney Mobile back in operation several years ago," she said. "We are now looking forward to supporting funding for innovative grants, which allow new researchers to follow their dream and hopefully discover something new and life-changing.

"That fund could use many more dollars," Rubschlager said. "Researchers need to have initial research accomplishments in their record to qualify for the larger grants they seek from such organizations as the National Institutes of Health."

In addition to the Rubschlagers,



Downtown residents Joan and Paul Rubschlager will be honored on Oct. 24 through the "Harold & Molly Schwartz Founders Award" for their outstanding commitment and achievement with NKFI.

NKFI will present Chicago Police Dept. Chief Supt. Eddie Johnson and his son, CPD Officer Daniel Johnson, with the Gift of Life Award in recognition of their contributions to the world of kidney disease. Nearly two years ago, 25-year-old Daniel donated a kidney to his

dad after he was diagnosed with Glomerulonephritis, an acute inflammation of the kidney.

We congratulate both the Rubschlagers and the Johnsons on being honored and we thank them for their generosity and all that they do for the people of our city.

At the head of the class... is Our Lady of Mount Carmel Academy, 708 W. Belmont Ave., which was recently selected as a National Blue Ribbon School of excellence for the second time by the U.S. Dept of Education. Only three other Chicago elementary schools, both public or private, have received the national distinction twice since the award's creation in 1982. Woo-hoo and way to go to Mount Carmel staffers and students!

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

-v.- OLUFEMI ADENIYI, SHILIKA STRINGFELLOW, CITY OF CHICAGO, THE PARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION-CHICAGO Defendants

19 CH 02481

7334 N. HONORE ST., UNIT D CHICAGO, IL 60626

NOTICE OF SALE

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Commonly known as 7334 N. HONORE ST., UNIT D, CHICAGO, IL 60626

Property Index No. 11-30-419-030-1004

The real estate is improved with a residential condominium.

The judgment amount was \$127,716.14.

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

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Case # 19 CH 02481

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

-vs. SUSAN J. WADE; MONOGRAM HOME EQUITY CORPORATION; PNC BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants,

18 CH 15287

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Friday, November 1, 2019 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate:

P.I.N. 10-36-304-009-0000.

Commonly known as 6745 N. RICHMOND ST., CHICAGO, IL 60645.

The mortgaged real estate is improved with a single

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family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Ms. Kimberly S. Reid at Plaintiff's Attorney, Marinosci Law Group, PC, 134 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. (312) 940-8580. 18-11914

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY Plaintiff,

-v.- MERLE BENSON Defendants

2019 CH 02952

6431 N. RICHMOND STREET CHICAGO, IL 60645

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on July 11, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 15, 2019, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 6431 N. RICHMOND STREET, CHICAGO, IL 60645

Property Index No. 10-36-325-007-0000

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$352,853.73.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified

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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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Kate Merrill, center, owner of Edge of Sweetness is offering a 10% discount to library and CityKey card holders during October to show support for Friends of the Edgewater Library and the community.

Show your library card in October for a sweet deal

STORY AND PHOTO BY JOANNE KITSOS

The fall season just turned sweeter. In recognition of National Friends of the Library Week, Edge of Sweetness, 6034 N. Broadway, is offering a 10% discount to everyone who shows their library or CityKey cards during the entire month of October. The discount applies to lunch, beverage and dessert items except custom cakes or cookies.

“We treasure our public libraries; they’re valuable assets to our communities,” said Kate Merrill, owner of the café and bakery. Friends of the Edgewater Library is one of a handful of Friends’ groups in the city; others on the North Side support

the Bezazian, Rogers Park and Northtown Branch Libraries.

Merrill, who grew up in Rogers Park and has lived in Edgewater for more than 10 years, opened Edge of Sweetness in 2017. A former trauma nurse for 21 years, Merrill enjoyed baking treats to help make people happy. She began selling cookies to her co-workers and that eventually grew into her business.

“At Edge of Sweetness I wanted to bring the personal touch back to the customer experience,” she said. “It is heartwarming that people allow us to be part of their special events, so we want to make sure we provide the best. That’s why we make everything by hand in house.”

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the dinner bell ring, guests would walk the 150’ west to the hotel’s front door.

He invited the assembled men and women to imagine themselves in mid-19th century attire, arriving to what was then the height of luxury back when Lake View was its own town rather than a big-city neighborhood that got its name from those early visitors who marveled over the “lake view.”

Back then, prominent figures like Illinois politicians Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas reportedly visited the North Side as they did their law business and

planned political strategy in the short years before their lives and everyone else’s would be forever changed by a war some say still hasn’t quite ended.

Then, as now, Albrecht noted, Lake View ranged from Fullerton to Devon avenues, and from Western Ave. to the lakefront.

Hotel owners James Rees and Elisha Huntley would use the hotel and the park and gardens around it to attract visitors from Chicago to vacation and buy adjacent properties in an area that was known by the 1870s for its county-like breezes from the lake. It was in fact legendary library founder and visitor Walter Newberry who reportedly first coined the lodge as “The

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who are not currently in compliance, to purchase a City Sticker. The second step will offer debt forgiveness allowing people that come into compliance with the City Sticker requirements some relief with previously issued tickets and offer a fresh start to return to good standing with the City.

The former policies were put in place by former Mayor Rahm Emanuel and the City Council in an overt attempt to create higher ticketing, towing and booting revenue to bolster a city suffering from dire financial straits and historic budget deficits. While the city’s epic budget crisis remains, Mayor Lightfoot has now reduced the predatory nature of the city’s debt collection efforts.

“This package [is] a key first step in my commitment to overhauling Chicago’s regressive fines and fees structure that has disproportionately impacted low-income residents - the people who can least afford it - for far too long,” said Mayor Lightfoot. “By reducing the debt burden with equitable policies that promote pathways to compliance and economic stability, we are removing barriers to employment that so many people have endured due to crushing debt.”

The City will roll out the reform package in two phases with some aspects affecting immediately, while others becoming effective on Nov. 15, after technology and programming systems have been fully implemented.

The following changes are now effective:

- Ending doubling of City Sticker tickets

from \$200 to \$400, capping the late payment fine at \$50; reinstating the 15-day grace period for City Sticker tickets after expiration, and there will no longer be same-day or consecutive day ticketing for compliance violations.

- Changes to the municipal code that will end the practice of referring individuals for driver’s license suspension to the State of Illinois for non-payment of standing, parking and compliance violations.

On Nov. 15 the following changes will be in effect:

- The city hopes to make payment plans more accessible by creating a 6-month payment plan for all, lowering down payments and allowing more time to pay for person experiencing hardship.

- All individuals will be able to request a 24-hour extension to pay their fines in full or get on a payment plan after being booted. The new payment plans will also make it easier for low-income individuals to redeem their car after it has been booted.

City officials hope these fines and fees reforms will address the issue of inequitable impacts of vehicle ticket debt, and give residents more affordable payment plan options so that they can pay off their debt while retaining their vehicle. They expect that the addition of the payment plans and 24-hour extension for booted cars will also help reduce overall impoundments.

For the tens of thousands of city residents who accumulate delinquent debt each year, an inability to pay fines and fees puts them at greater risk of losing their car and falling into bankruptcy or unemployment.



In the mid-19th century the Hotel Lake View was the height of luxury back when Lake View was its own town rather than the big-city neighborhood it is today. The hotel got its name from visitors who marveled over the “lake view.” Photo courtesy of Sulzer Regional Library

Lake View.”

Albrecht stated that back in the 1850s, the then-opulent hotel stood atop a bluff, only to be replaced in the 1890s by the beginnings of Lake Shore Dr. Today a triangular garden space and stone shed mark what would have been the front entrance of the old Lake View Hotel, and now this new brass plaque lays claim to that local legend.

As in 1854 when the Lake View Hotel was built as a kind of refuge, Albrecht and his neighbors created that garden as an escape from the city’s hustle and bustle - this time by bike or bus.

Moments after Albrecht spoke, Ald. Capplemen officially cut the ribbon formally opening the garden - and unveiling the plaque.

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