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— Franz Kafka

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Federal Court closes Wrigley Rooftop for Copyright infringement

BY JACK LYDON

U.S. District Court Judge Sharon Johnson Coleman granted the Chicago Cubs request to enjoin the Wrigley View rooftop venue at 1050 W. Waveland Ave. from selling tickets to watch Cubs games from its rooftop seating on Wednesday.

In 2004, the predecessor of Wrigley View, located at 1050 W. Waveland Ave., immediately east of the firehouse, entered into an agreement, along with other rooftop operators, with the Cubs that allowed the rooftop venues to sell tickets so patrons could watch Cubs games from across Waveland and Sheffield avenues. In exchange, the Cubs got 17% of the ticket revenue and 11% of the billboard revenue.

In 2023, as the agreement was



The Wrigley View rooftop venue at 1050 W. Waveland Ave.

set to expire at the end of the year, the Wrigley View venue, owned and operated by defendant Aiden Duncan, refused to renew the agreement with the Cubs. The Cubs filed suit in federal court.

The complaint alleges four legal theories to support closing the rooftop venue. First, the Wrigley View misappropriated the “experience of live games and

events at Wrigley Field.” Second, the Wrigley View venue was unjustly enrichment by that misappropriation. Third, the Wrigley View venue violated the federal trademark infringement and unfair competition law. Finally, the rooftop venue violated Illinois law against unfair competition.

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CHA cut ribbon on Parkside Phase 5 in Cabrini-Green

99 new homes

Members of the Cabrini-Green community cut the ribbon on Parkside Phase 5 on Oct. 1, a brand new mixed-income development that brings 99 homes into the community.

Cabrini-Green is roughly bounded by Chicago Ave. to the south, Division St. to the north, Larrabee St. to the west, and Orleans St. to the east. Some 30 years ago, bulldozers descended on Cabrini Green to start tearing down what became one of the most dangerous housing projects in Chicago history.

Built by the Chicago Housing Authority [CHA] between 1942

and 1962, the complex expanded from low-rise row houses into 23 dense high-rise towers.

But the Cabrini-Green housing project failed badly because of severe government neglect, gang infestation, crime, concentrated poverty, and poor architectural planning that isolated residents from the rest of the city.

Because the CHA failed to provide basic security or upkeep, street gangs moved in and took control of entire buildings and floors. By the 1980s, elevators broke down permanently, trash piled up, and buildings went without heat during freezing Chicago winters.

The current city-backed project

in Cabrini-Green is made up of an eight-story mid-rise with attached townhomes and three three-flat walk-up buildings collectively housing 65 affordable homes and 34 market-rate units.

Chicago taxpayers helped fund the \$65.8 million development with \$16.4 million in Near North TIF assistance, up to \$4.25 million in Dept. of Housing Multi-Family Program funds, and a 9% Low-Income Housing Tax Credit allocation generating approximately \$17 million in equity. The CHA contributed approximately \$32.5 million that came from the Federal government, including

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Man charged with attempted murder of CPS teacher on CTA bus

BY CWBCHICAGO

A Chicago Public Schools teacher was stabbed repeatedly in an apparently random attack while riding a CTA bus home from work last month, an incident police never disclosed publicly and that the public is only learning about now because a woman who saw the crime scene posted about it on social media.

Prosecutors say the attacker, 32-year-old Jeromeyo Gibson,

ran from the bus, then escaped by stealing another man’s car, which he crashed about a block from former Mayor Lori Lightfoot’s home in Logan Square.

The woman said she learned about the stabbing from her roommate and went outside to see what was happening. She later posted a video describing the scene, saying the attacker had “started going crazy” on the bus before fleeing and taking another man’s car.

That account is largely consis-

tent with prosecutors’ allegations against Gibson, who is charged with attempted murder, possessing a stolen motor vehicle, attempting to disarm a peace officer and other felonies in connection with the Sept. 10 crime spree.

Prosecutors said the victim, whose online profile identifies him as a 50-year-old CPS teacher, boarded an eastbound #77 Belmont bus at Oketo Ave. to go

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Lane Tech senior quarterback Blake Perkins threw four touchdown passes.

Lane Tech defeats Amundsen 27-0

STORY AND PHOTO
BY JACK LYDON

Blake Perkins and his Lane Tech Champion lit ‘em up Friday defeating the Amundsen Vikings 27-0 at Lane Stadium. The Champions shifted their passing game into high gear scoring their four touchdowns through the air on passes of eight-yards, 11-yards, 34-yards and 39-yards.

“[Amundsen] really game planned on stopping our run game because we ran so well last week against Whitney [Young]. We really just took what was there. Passing game was there so we leaned on the pass tonight,” said Lane Tech head coach De-shon Conley.

If the Vikings focused on stopping the Champions run game that produced the 35-7 shellacking of Whitney Young Sept. 25, then the Champions would throw Friday. And that they did.

Senior quarterback Blake Perkins opened the scoring on the first play of the second quarter with an eight-yard touchdown pass to his twin brother wide-receiver Britton Perkins.

Next came a jump ball pass to senior wide-receiver Taylor Clay in the right corner of the end zone where he wrestled the ball out of the hands of the Amundsen defender for the second touchdown. PAT no good. 13-0 Champions.

The Champions scored again with 51.8 seconds left in the half on a 34-yard strike up the sideline from Perkins to junior wide-re-

ceiver Aiden Andrich and added a two-point conversion to make it 21-0 at the half.

Champions closed out the scoring on another deep ball. This time again to Clay who continued his acrobatic receiving night by batting the ball back to himself for the reception and then continued down the sideline for the score.

“I was feeling it. All week we have been preparing for this. The coaches gave us good plays. We prepared well for this game. Watched hours and hours of film. I don’t like Amundsen much. We own the North now. They can’t say that anymore,” Perkins said after the game.

“Blake’s a rhythm guy,” said Conley. “Since the Bulls [Prep] game, he’s found his rhythm as a quarterback. We don’t pass as much as I would like. Today he made soon really, really, really go throws,” he said of his senior quarterback.

It seems strange, but despite the lopsided score, the game felt pretty close... in the first half at least. The Vikings were able to move the ball. Amundsen quarterback Jake Seifert’s passes were on time and on target. They moved the ball in chunks on the ground and in the air. They just were not able to put the ball in the end zone. At one point in the third quarter, the Vikings had three tries to score from inside the two-yard line.

It was not to be. The Champi-

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Marathon to pass through North Side Sunday morning

The 48th running of the Chicago Marathon is on Sunday, Oct. 11. More than 55,000 runners will be racing through the streets of Chicago, passing through 29 neighborhoods as they make their way to the finish line of one of the premier running events in the world.

North Side spectators are welcome to cheer on the runners along the course. On the North Side the course will run from Grant Park north through the Loop and

Streeterville, then north along the lakefront to Irving Park, then turn south through Lake View East, Lincoln Park, Old Town, The Near North Side, River North then back into Grant Park after a pass through the West Side.

So find a spot you can walk to as parking will be difficult with all the street closures - and cheer on the runners. The professionals will start the race at 7:30 a.m., and the bulk of the runners should all be on their way by 8:30 a.m.

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Where the crow lingers, the day deepens



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

We are in the midst of a very memorable Autumn season. Pete Crow-Armstrong ended the baseball season with 40 stolen bases and 45 home runs. He simply dazzled as a Cub this year.

What also dazzles me is that my O'Gorman side shares Crow blood.

My grandmother, Rebecca O'Gorman was born a Crow in County Tipperary. So I'm related to a vast extended family of "Crows" and "Crowes" who still use the "e" and live on an Irish dairy farm back in Ireland. "Raegowlaun," a farm that has prospered under the European Union, and an army of cousins who fill the neighborhoods of Chicago.

During Ireland's fight for independence, 1916-1921, it was a hot bed of struggle for independent nationhood.

I recall my grandmother's siblings who I first met on my inaugural trip to Ireland in 1962. I was 13, and travelled there with my 13 year old cousin David, later the Comptroller of the Option Exchange, and our youngest aunt, Anne Marie, who spent long years living on both sides of the Atlantic.

That summer of '62 we spent with the rural relations. Back then

we never could have imagined baseball might run in the family. Although my dad, born in Ireland, was a great baseball fanatic, as were his bros.

In the 1950s we used to go to all his games while growing up. He was fit and young. A power hitter. Fast around the bases. The terror of all pitchers he stood before.

Perhaps I should do some genealogical research on PCA's line of Crows. No telling what we might find.

My cousin, aunt and I were famous for galavanting around Dublin. And one day we were tiring out and ravenously hungry. So Aunt Anne Marie was open for a tasty lunch. As we walked down O'Connell St., Dublin's famed thoroughfare, an answer to Chicago's Michigan Ave., we agreed that lunch at the nearby Gresham Hotel would be ideal, so we went inside.

The Gresham has long been a refined Edwardian historic home for fine dining, afternoon Tea, and cocktails. As we entered the lobby, that's when we saw him, America's most famed television Catholic preacher, Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, as he was known back then. A fixture in the Archdiocese of New York, but originally from El Paso, IL. The three of us were shocked. After all, none of our households back in Chicago ever missed his TV broadcast in those days.

We were hard to miss, two boys in blazers, gray trousers and striped ties. We couldn't believe our eyes. We said hello and he said hello back. Tall. Elegant. And having the look of kings about him. Exchanging pleasant Irish greetings.

We told him we were staying in Ireland for the whole summer. He told us he was in Dublin to speak at a conference. His voice was even better than on TV. The timber of his familiar voice had quite the aristocratic Irish ring to it.

My aunt chirped up that our families never missed his TV show, "Life is Worth Living." He was grateful for allegiance. He was easy to talk to and invited detail concerning our sea travels. We spoke of our Parish, Visita-

tion on Chicago's South Side, our pastor, Monsignor Wolfe, and our family's roots fighting for Irish freedom.

The conversation then turned to lunch which we invited him to join. But sadly he was already booked, I think engaged with the Archbishop of Dublin, John Charles McQuaid.

It was quite the lobby visit. Like meeting a movie star or at least Captain Kangaroo.

He blest each of us and made the sign of the cross on our foreheads. And I really felt like crying for it was like High Mass, sitting in the front pew.

That moment wasn't far in my memory these last days as Archbishop Sheen was "beatified" on Sept. 24. The last step before official sainthood in the Roman Catholic Church. I still feel like weeping for sheer joy as I did 63 years ago.

The ceremony that declared him "Blessed" had close to 70,000 people in attendance in St. Louis.

The surprises in life and the memories that connect us together have the power to change the life unfolding around us. And the mystery and memory of all that is yet to come with runs and stolen bases, family dairy farms and lobby visits with a saint that will never be undone.

CATHOLICISM: Those 70,000 people gathered in St. Louis as **Fulton J. Sheen** became the first U.S.-born bishop to be declared Blessed. The pioneering Catholic TV evangelizer brought the Gospel into millions of homes through radio and television. Today, the Church recognizes his holiness in a major step toward sainthood. Archbishop Fulton Sheen was declared "blessed" in an apostolic letter from **Pope Leo XIV** read by the Vatican's **Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle**.

BREAKING BAD: Vice President **J.D. Vance** attacked Pope Leo XIV — and received a fiery response he won't soon forget. Vance thought he could score political points by criticizing Pope Leo XIV's message of compassion and inclusion. Instead, the pontiff delivered a response that left the room stunned. "You say compassion is weakness," Pope

Leo XIV began. "Then when did caring for the sick become weakness?"

CROOK: Former CEO of an Illinois railcar management company, **Michael Calomino**, has been charged in federal court with embezzling more than \$22 million from the company, some of which was used to cover his gambling debts. The firm provided railcar management services for clients who owned railcars throughout North America. He embezzled the cash by fraudulently converting funds held by the company on behalf of clients, according to a criminal information filed last week in U.S. District Court in Chicago.

CFD: The Chicago Fire Dept. honored the memory of **Battalion Chief/EMT Sean R. Kevin**, Badge #554, of the 18th Battalion. All remember his service to the City of Chicago and mourn his loss. Rest in peace, Chief Kevin.

SPOOKY: Coming to the Auditorium Theater Saturday, Oct. 24 is "Edward Scissorhands In Concert" with the Chicago Philharmonic. Things are about to get delightfully spooky! Watch **Tim Burton's** cult classic on the big screen while **Danny Elfman's** haunting score is performed live.

OUT: Real Estate sources say that prolific landlord **Mike Kohan** has been ousted as head of affiliate amid allegations of secret loans, bond misuse. Ownership made the move following a corporate probe of a British Virgin Islands-based entity he created to raise capital for Chicago office skyscraper purchases on the Israeli bond market. Recent regulatory filings on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange forced Kohan to step down as CEO, ousted him from his position as president, revoked his bank signing authority and requested his resignation from the board of directors, which took effect Sept. 27. **Ran Ben Daniel** has been named CEO. Kohan remains the firm's controlling shareholder, so the changes won't affect his financial empire.

CSO: The Chicago Symphony Orchestra has announced that they will debut new bold red usher uniforms. They're hoping it

will set a new standard attracting new audiences.

ART: Edgewater's 6311arts has a whole new schedule for the Fall, starting Oct. 24 with Boats & Pianos by **Michelle Peterson-Albandoz**, followed by Nexus by **Jennifer FitzGerald**. They also offer a Bonsai Workshop with **Carmeanna Eberly** who teaches how to shape a bonsai from the ground up, and how to care for the living sculpture. Everything's provided. No experience necessary.

SIX CORNERS: At the Sept. 9 Six Corners Chamber Roundtable, **Ald. James Gardiner** spoke before a packed gathering of approximately 65 business and community leaders and shared updates. He announced that construction on the long-awaited Shops at Six Corners development at Irving Park Rd. and Kilpatrick Ave. is expected to begin in the spring of 2027. The project will bring new residential and commercial space to the former Peoples Gas property.

LAKEVIEW: Residents of the 44th Ward should keep an eye on **DJ Doran**. This is an impressive fellow. Now running for Alderman, he's no life-long party-insider patronage hack, he earned his chops in the private sector and is also a brother in ink as a media entrepreneur and publisher who built Aequalitas Media into the second-largest LGBT media company in the U.S. He purchased his first newspaper in Indianapolis, which served as the foundation for his media portfolio.

OPAH: The Greek Reporter opines, "The prospect of **Alexi Giannoulis** and **Maria Pappas** appearing on the same ballot adds a Greek-American dimension to an already crowded and unsettled Chicago mayoral race."

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City Council to consider expansion of AI spying citywide

This week the City of Chicago could be moving forward with expanding Smart Streets Pilot to a citywide enforcement, if the votes are there to pass it out of committee and onto the full City Council.

The Smart Streets Pilot uses street cameras tied to Artificial Intelligence to automate enforcement and a ticket-writing system that would capture evidence, and ticket anyone blocking a bike lane/bus lane, or anyone parking in a no parking stretch of a street, even for shoppers stopping on a commercial street.

And the fines are quite stiff too. Bus lane violation are \$90, bus stop parking/standing will cost citizens \$100, and if you dare pull over into a privileged bike lane, violations are \$250 per incident.

The pilot program started by ticketing in an area roughly bounded by Lake Michigan on the east, North Ave. on the north,

Ashland Ave. on the west, and Roosevelt Rd. on the south. Now some in City Hall want to expand

And the fines are quite stiff too. Bus lane violation are \$90, bus stop parking/standing will cost citizens \$100, and if you dare pull over into a privileged bike lane, violations are \$250 per incident.

the AI-driven spying and ticket-writing platform to the entire city.

The system uses automated cameras mounted on city vehicles and CTA buses to automatically ticket drivers who illegally park or stand in designated bike and bus lanes. Even those who may pull to the curb to pick up passengers, or drop friends and family

off at curbside.

CTA buses feature dual wind-shield cameras and on-board AI processors. The vision AI identifies potential parking, standing, or stopping violations in dedicated bus lanes, bike lanes, and bus stops while the bus is moving. The system captures license plate data and potential violations, which city officials then review before issuing any penalties.

As bikes and scooters and their drivers are not licensed, there will be no way for City Hall and AI to ticket or penalize bike and scooter riders for their many rules of the road traffic violations. In fact, the program does the exact opposite: it uses AI-powered cameras to add another layer of privilege for bikers and scooters by catching and ticketing car and truck drivers who park in, or block dedicated bicycle lanes, bus lanes, bus stops, and commercial loading zones.

Styrofoam products on their way out starting Jan. 1

On Thursday, the Chicago City Council Committee on Environmental Protection and Energy, which is chaired by Ald. Maria Hadden [49th], will look at an ordinance prohibiting City departments from procuring single-use Styrofoam products.

The statewide State Facilities Ban [SB 58] was already signed by Gov. J.B. Pritzker. This law bans the purchase and distribution of polystyrene foam foodware in all state agencies and facilities (effective in 2025 for agencies

and 2026 for vendors.

A proposed statewide ban [SB 1531] has been sponsored by State Sen. Laura Fine. This broader legislation aims to prohibit the sale and distribution of single-use polystyrene foam food containers across all retail and restaurants in Illinois starting Jan. 1, 2030. Violations of the ban would carry financial penalties, including \$1,000 for second and subsequent infractions enforced through the state.

Polystyrene is a form of plastic

that isn't compostable or biodegradable, and is almost impossible to recycle so we cannot recycle our way out of this problem. Once produced, it lingers in our environment indefinitely. Studies show that upwards of 85% of river trash is plastic, much of it from polystyrene food packaging. This pollution allegedly contaminates Chicago's drinking water, harms wildlife, and threatens ecosystems.

Manufacturers oppose heat protection ordinance

BY JIM TALAMONTI
The Center Square

A North Side alderwoman says she will not give up the fight for workplace heat protection mandates on employers, despite opposition from Illinois manufacturers who say the measure would make it more difficult to do business in the city.

Ald. Maria Hadden's [49th] proposal requires employers to provide shade when the outdoor heat index exceeds 80 degrees and 15-minute cooling periods every two hours when the heat index exceeds 90. The measure also includes temperature monitoring requirements, training, record keeping and other provisions.

Hadden posted a statement on social media after her ordinance was not called for a vote last week. "We were able to prevent the ordinance from being voted down, which is a good thing," she said.

Patrick Schweska, general counsel for the Illinois Manufacturers' Assoc., said many Illinois businesses have facilities both inside and outside the city.

"You could create a framework in which you have an enforcement regime within one particular municipality, but then outside of that municipality, you're subject to

a different enforcement regime where you're allowed to do your workplace safety standards as you had normally done them," said Schweska.

Schweska said the ordinance would create a Chicago-specific workplace safety system that would make it more difficult to do business in the city.

When asked, Schweska said the ordinance's private right of action provision would allow workers to recover civil damages and potentially impact taxpayers with additional court proceedings.

Schweska said similar measures have been introduced in Chicago and by state lawmakers in Springfield.

"They're continuing to sneak private rights of action into leg-

islation that continue to put businesses on the hook. And it makes no distinction between bad actors and good faith mistakes as well," Schweska said.

Chicago's workplace heat ordinance was introduced in 2023 and stalled without a vote in September.

Schweska said that Chicago employers could face different sets of regulations from city, state and federal governments.

"It continues to give businesses pause as to whether they want to locate here, whether they want to be here, or whether they want to continue investing at a time when I would say that both the city and the state could really use it given the fiscal environment," he said.

Early voting starts Oct. 19

Early voting for the 2026 Midterm General Election begins on Monday, October 19, in all 50 wards.

Chicago voters may vote at any Early Voting location through Nov. 2.

Any voter who needs to register to vote for the first time or file an address update or name change must show two forms

of ID, one of which reflects the voter's current address.

Voters may also return their mailed ballot to a secured drop box at any early voting location before Election Day. Mail ballots may also be delivered in person to the Election Board at 69 W. Washington St., Sixth Floor.



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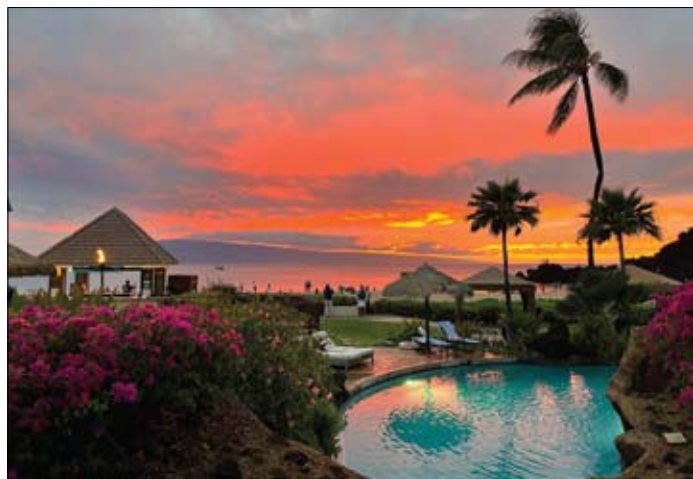
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(Left) Sunset at Sheraton Maui Resort and Spa during last year's HFWF's World of Wagyu, Wine and Whiskey event, Oct. 25, 2025. (Center) Last year's HFWF's Southern Seafood Sunday hosted by Chef Aarón Sánchez at Royal Lahaina Resort & Bungalows. (Right) Creole Blackened Hawaiian Ahi served by Chef Troy Guard, from Colorado's Guard and Grace, at last year's event. Originally from Hawai'i, Guard studied under Chef Roy Yamaguchi and is an example of Hawai'i talent on the mainland.

Chicago well-represented at upcoming 16th annual Hawai'i Food and Wine Fest

BY PETER VON BUOL

Chefs with ties to Chicago and the state of Illinois will be well-represented at the 16th Annual Hawai'i Food and Wine Festival [HFWF], the state's premier culinary festival which will be held over the course of three fall weekends on three different islands.

Included among the festival's more than 250 chefs, winemakers, master mixologist and culinary industry experts are Chef Art Smith, owner and operator of the Blue Door Kitchen and Garden on the Gold Coast and Reunion at Navy Pier and Charles Joly, a local James Beard Award-winning mixologist and co-owner of Crafthouse Cocktails, a Chicago-based maker of ready-to-drink cocktails.

“Nothing brings people together quite like food and drink. This will be my second time as a featured mixologist [at HFWF].

Hawai'i has a special place in my heart and I've traveled there many times. Bringing so many incredible food and beverage professionals together in this magical landscape makes for a one-of-a-kind experience. It will celebrate the region, while allowing chefs and mixologists to bring a bit of themselves from our respective homes," said Joly, winner of the 2013 James Beard Foundation Award for Outstanding Bar Program.

Participating in a premiere culinary showcase event such as the HFWF presents Joly with the opportunity to showcase Chicago as a city with its own world-class culinary scene.

“Chicago has a rich and diverse culinary landscape; truly a world class place to eat and drink. We are a melting-pot with influences from all over the globe and strong ethnic representations around the city,” said Joly.

In addition to celebrating the flavors and cultures found throughout the state, the festival also celebrates the state's rich agricultural bounty. During the festival, participants work with local farmers, ranchers, fishermen, educators, and hospitality leaders.

For Joly, any trip to Hawai'i also includes unscheduled stops while on the way to other locations.

"I pull off to the roadside produce stands in Hawai'i to see what local produce is being sold. From unique fruits to local delicacies, you don't get bored eating and drinking in Hawai'i. Getting to find local shops that offer the freshest ocean to table [seafood] is always high on my list," said Joly.

The festival's first culinary event, Smoked, Shucked and Cured, will take place on the evening of Oct. 17 at the Mauna Kea Beach Hotel. Overlooking Hawai'i Island's Kauna'oa Beach, the hotel just completed a \$250 million renovation to mark its 60th anniversary. The hotel is today recognized as a landmark of Mid-Century Modern design and was created by the Chicago-based architectural firm Skidmore, Owings and Merrill.

At the event, 10 chefs will showcase dishes inspired by the art of smoking, shucking, and curing—from flame-kissed meats and cured specialties to the ocean's freshest seafood, to be served straight from the shell.

Next, the festival moves to the Sheraton Maui Resort and Spa at the Kā'anapali Beach Resort on Maui for the event Caviar, Pearls and Aphrodisiacs, which will highlight the Hawaiian archipelago's seafood and will be paired with creations from the festival's roster of mixologists.

The event's 10 chefs will create dishes from the Pacific Ocean's caviar and shellfish and also utilize chocolate [cocoa is grown locally in the state], fragrant spices, and other ingredients reinterpreted through the lens of Hawaii's bounty—showcasing what may be the state's best locally grown, raised, and caught seafood.

The festival will continue with No EGG-Scuses, Let's Brunch! at the historic 27-acre Royal Lahaina Resort and Bungalows, also located within the Kā'anapali Beach Resort.

Six chefs will showcase eggs in all its forms—poached, fried, scrambled, baked, cured, and more. From brunch classics to chef-driven bites, each of their dishes will highlight the flavors of Hawaii's locally grown, raised, and caught ingredients.

Breakfast in Hawai'i often includes SPAM, the popular canned meat from Minnesota. Festival co-organizer Chef Roy Yamaguchi has extolled the virtues of SPAM.

"It's a great product. I really believe that. People laugh about it but then slowly but surely it trickles into mainland cuisine the same way you walk into a restaurant in North Carolina and see 'opakapaka on the menu,'" said Yamaguchi in a 2004 interview with the Chicago Tribune.

The festival resumes on Nov. 5 with its FEAST Summit, an all-day event for food and hospitality professionals to be held at the Sheraton Waikiki Beach Resort. Discussion topics will include food, education, agriculture, sustainability and Tourism. The Kamehameha Schools (which operates a school system for native Hawaiian children), will host a hands-on learning experience for participants which will bring them into a traditional Hawaiian lo'i, an irrigated wetland patch used to grow taro, the source of the traditional Hawaiian staple food, poi. The event also includes a family-style lunch prepared by Indigenous chefs (including Chef Pyet DeSpain, whose Prairie Band Potawatomi ancestors were indigenous to Illinois) from around the world, sharing the flavors of their respective heritage foods, highlighting the connection between culture, identity, and what we grow and eat.

That evening, the festival will continue with the 24K Magic held on the rooftop of the 'Alohilani Resort Waikiki Beach. Participating chefs will create dishes to highlight Hawai'i's incredible locally grown, raised, and caught ingredients.

According to Joly, festival attendees will be able to enjoy his own tiki drink creation inspired by a classic tiki drink. Many were first formulated by the late Donn Beach, whose eponymous Don the Beachcomber flagship restaurant was once located at 101 E. Walton Place.

“One of the original cocktails I’ll be making at the HFWF is inspired by a classic [reintroduced] by a modern tiki icon, Jeff “Beachbum” Berry. He resurrected the Saturn, which I’ve adapted into a punchier, island ready “Neptune” riff (aged rum, cognac, passion fruit, Falernum liqueur, citrus and bitters). I’m a big fan of Donn Beach, including his history and his influence. I’m also a big rum drinker and lover of tropical inspired flavors,” said Joly.

While the Chicago location of Don the Beachcomber closed in 1981 (after more than 40 years in operation), Beach's concept continues to inspire local establishments such as Three Dots and a Dash at 435 N. Clark St., the Hala Kahiki Lounge in River Grove and the Tiki Terrace in Des Plaines.

Next, the festival moves to Kapiolani Community College where 17 chefs will present a new version of the dishes that put them on the map, but reconstituted using Hawaii's locally grown, raised, and caught ingredients.

Two events will be held on Nov. 8, the festival's final day. The Breakfast Club will be held in the morning at the Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa and BTS: Beyond the Seoul will be held in the evening, at the Halekulani Hotel. The Breakfast Club is described as a walk-around brunch and will feature six of the festival's participating chefs. At the BTS gala finale, an elegant five-course Korean



Rates hit 7.28%, gloomy mortgage news for house hunters



The Home Front

by Don DeBat

For Chicago families seeking the American Dream of homeownership, the nation's latest mortgage-rate and economic news is not looking bright.

With autumn winds starting to blow, home-loan interest rates now hover at a lofty 7.28% nationwide for the first time since Aug. 2023.

On Oct. 1, Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey reported that benchmark 30-year fixed home loans rose sharply to 7.28% from 7.03% a week earlier.

Analysts historically note that a one-week increase of a quarter of one percentage point in rates is viewed as substantial, and worrisome. A year ago, the 30-year fixed loan averaged 6.34%.

On Oct. 1, the 15-year fixed mortgage average also rose to an average of 6.60%, up from 6.42% a week earlier. A year ago, the 15-year fixed loan averaged 5.55%.

The Freddie Mac survey is focused on conventional, conforming, fully amortizing home purchase loans for borrowers who place 20% down and have excellent credit, with a typical FICO score of 740 points.

"With mortgage rates on their current trajectory, the housing market continues to be supported by favorable economic conditions," noted Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

That cheerful Freddie Mac comment doesn't sum up what really is going on in the nation's tumultuous mortgage market, with oil prices soaring, and both inflation and the bond market ris-

ing.

Despite the recent mortgage-rate acceleration, and an Aug. 2026 inflation rate of 4.86%, experts say the U.S. economy has been surprisingly resilient in the face of the war in Iran and the gasoline and energy-prices spike it caused.

"Rates are tied to the bond market, with yields rising last week to the highest levels since 2004," explained veteran lender Jeremy Rose, a senior loan officer for Lower Mortgage. "The increased price of oil has directly influenced interest rates—making them rise since the Iran War. The market is volatile. I think there is a general uncertainty as to what's next."

Rose noted that the new Federal Reserve Board [FED] chairman has one vote along with the committee of governors who vote on interest rates and monetary policy.

"I believe the quarter of one percentage point increase in mortgage rates was justified in an effort to battle inflation," Rose said. "The disconnect between President Trump and the FED is



Lawrence Yun (left), Sam Khater and the latest Freddie mac mortgage chart.

really proof how an independent FED should be, and it is important to keep it that way."

Mortgage forecasting is inexact

Crystal-ball gazing on the mortgage rate outlook is far from an exact science. With interest rates see-sawing in mid-summer of 2026, Lawrence Yun, economist for the National Assn. of Realtors, predicted benchmark 30-year loans would average 6.5% this year. Wrong!

During a clairvoyant moment in the spring of 2024, Yun forecasted mortgage rates would rise above 7% in 2024. They hit 7.03% on May 30, 2024. Rates

also bounced in the 7%-bracket in 2023, hitting 7.23% on Aug. 24 and skyrocketing to a lofty 7.79% on Oct. 26, 2023.

With visions of white-picket fences and their children's jungle-gyms dancing in their heads, nervous first-time home seekers are probably wondering if this current interest rate roller-coaster ride will get better—or worse.

Bad-news ride into the 7%-bracket

Freddie Mac's recently compiled statistics shows the bad-news ride into the 7%-bracket has been on the radar before. On Nov. 10, 2022, rates inched up to

7.08%. On Dec. 21, 2021, rates hit to 7.17%.

What a difference a few years make. Less than six years ago, 30-year fixed-mortgage interest rates ended 2020 at a rock-bottom 2.65%—the lowest level in the Freddie Mac survey history, which began in 1971. Home-loan rates set new record lows an amazing 16 times in 2020, and tens of thousands of homeowners refinanced.

Luckily, novice mortgage hunters have not had to fret about the 8%-bracket the millennium year of 2000, when interest rates

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Science Social Oct. 12, Oct. 19

The Illinois Science Council is hosting a Science Social hangout in Wrigleyville to meet and socialize with others who like science at 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 12 at Cork Lounge, 1822 W. Addison St.

The event is for like-minded science fans to meet over drinks and partake in casual conversation.

Then on Oct. 19, Large Language Models [LLM] will be the theme for an ICA meeting at The Map Room, 1949 N. Hoyne Ave., with guest presenter Karen Livescu.

LLM, like ChatGPT and Claude, are getting increasingly powerful and pervasive. But how pervasive are they really? In order to work well, LLMs need to be trained on enormous amounts of data, mainly written and/or spoken language, mostly in English, and in a handful of other high-resource languages.

But for most of the world's 7,000 languages, there is little data.

For more information, visit <https://www.illinoisiscience.org/>.

Police Beat...

North Side vehicle thefts

Chicago police are warning residents about a rash of recent motor vehicle thefts of scooters in the Bucktown, Lake View East, Uptown, Roscoe Village and Lincoln Square neighborhoods.

In the incidents below, the crooks targeted e-scooters by removing the ignition of the scooters to bypass the key start function.

Incidents include one on the 700 block of W. Brompton on June 9, at 1 p.m.; the 4100 block of N. Sheridan on June 21, at 12:00 p.m.; 3500 block of N. Lake Shore Dr. 6:30 p.m. June 30; 600 block of W. Briar Pl. on July 8, at 2 p.m.; 1900 block of W. Roscoe on July 21, at 3 p.m.; 4600 block of N. Western on Aug. 18, at 6:00 p.m.; 4700 block of N. Western 7 p.m. Aug. 22, and one on the 1800 block of W. Webster 7:30 p.m. Sept. 13.

The offender is described as a White male in his 50's, wearing white shirt, blue shorts and a fanny pack.

Those who may have any information, can contact Are 3 Detectives at 312-744-8263 or 312-746-7394, or submit an anonymous tip at CPDTIP.com and use reference #26-CWP-025.

Cops seek 3 who followed, robbed woman on the Red Line



CTA surveillance images of the suspects.

Chicago police are looking for three people who allegedly followed a woman from the Loop to the South Side on the Red Line before attacking and robbing her. CPD released surveillance images of the group Oct. 2 and asked the public to help identify them.

Detectives said the trio initially "initiated an altercation" with a 31-year-old woman on the Jackson Red Line platform at 230 S. State St. around 2 a.m. Monday, Sept. 26. The woman then boarded a south-bound train, and the three followed her. At about 2:22 a.m., the group allegedly attacked the woman at the 63rd Street station and took her valuables, according to police.

CPD described one of the individuals as a Black man, 25 to 35 years old, with a thin beard and glasses. He was last seen wearing a multicolored headband, gray zip-up jacket over a blue shirt, and blue jeans. Another was described as a Black woman, 20 to 25 years old, with her hair in locs. She was wearing a green headband, green jacket, and black sweater. The third was described as a Black woman,

25 to 30 years old, last seen wearing a black jacket and pink pants, carrying an animal-print backpack and pushing a stroller.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Public Transportation Detectives at 312-745-4447 or submit an anonymous tip at CPDTIP.com using case number JK427596.

North Side commercial burglaries

Chicago police re warning people of recent commercial burglaries on the North Side. In these incidents, four unknown offenders arrived at the targeted business in a gray Honda pilot.

The offenders entered the business and targeted cash registers, cash in gaming machines and store merchandise for theft. The offenders also targeted ATMs but were unsuccessful in removing or opening the ATMs.

Incidents include one on the 2700 block of N. Ashland Ave. Sept. 30 at 3:13 a.m.; The 2400 of W. Diversey Ave. Sept. 30 at 3:28 a.m.; 2800 block of W. Fullerton Ave. Sept. 30 at 3:40 a.m.;1300 block of N. Western Ave. on Sept. 30 at 3:57 a.m.; 4200 block of W. Fullerton Ave. Sept. 30 between 3:40-3:45 a.m.; 3600 block of W. North Ave. Sept. 30 at 3:57 a.m.; 2300 block of W. Chicago Ave. Sept. 30 between 4:13-4:20 a.m.; 800 block of N. Western Ave. Sept. 30 at 4:24 a.m., and one on the 2400 block of N. Clark St. Sept. 30 between 1 a.m. and 6 a.m.

The crooks are described as offender #1: 20-30 years of age, 5'10" to 6'01" tall, 170-190lbs. Black ski mask, black pants, and black hooded sweatshirt; Offender #2: 20-30 years of age, 5'10"to 6' 1" tall, 170-190 lbs. Black ski mask, black pants, and black hooded sweatshirt; Offender #3: 20-30 years of age, 5'10" to 6' 1" tall 170-190 lbs. Black ski mask, black pants, and black hooded sweatshirt, and offender #4 has no description.

surveillance is available, save and make a copy of the incident for investigating detectives.

Those who have any information on these crimes may contact Area Five Detectives at 312-746-7394 or at 312-744-8263, or submit an anonymous tip at CPDTIP.com and use reference # 26-CWP-026.

Streeterville robbers shoot man, then carjack driver at nearby Whole Foods garage

A 64-year-old man was shot during an attempted robbery in a Streeterville parking garage Oct. 2, and the robbers then carjacked another driver at a nearby grocery store parking garage to make their getaway, according to a law enforcement source.

The first victim was getting into his car inside the garage at 456 E. Illinois St. when two men confronted him and demanded his property around 6:30 p.m., according to a Chicago police media statement. When he refused to cooperate, one of the men pulled out a gun and shot him in the side.

Passersby called 911 after hearing what they believed were gunshots and people screaming inside the garage. The man's daughter also called 911 to report that her father had been

shot on the third level, which is below ground in the low-rise structure.

CPD said the victim was "initially reported in good condition" at Northwestern Memorial Hospital.

Meanwhile, surveillance footage showed the robbers, described only as Black males wearing face masks, leaving the garage and heading west on Grand Ave. before arriving at the Whole Foods parking garage at 255 E. Grand Ave., according to a preliminary CPD report. They confronted a 29-year-old man at gunpoint, took his phone and wallet, and drove away in his gray Subaru Forester, according to the report. The second victim was not injured.

The shooting victim is the 11th person shot on the Near North Side this year, down from 37 at this point last year. However, 18 of last year's victims were shot during the mass shooting at 311 W. Chicago Ave. on July 2, 2025, the worst known mass shooting in Chicago's history.

Man accused of Streeterville shooting, carjacking had recent stolen-car case dismissed after leaving prison



Marques Williams

A 22-year-old man teamed up with a 16-year-old boy to shoot a man inside a Streeterville parking garage, then carjacked another driver to secure a getaway vehicle Friday evening, according to Chicago police.

The accused man, Marques Williams, appeared on these pages as recently as November, when he received an eight-year prison sentence for an armed robbery involving four victims in River North.

Williams and the 16-year-old are both charged with attempted first-degree murder, armed robbery, aggravated vehicular hijacking, attempted vehicular hijacking, attempted armed robbery, aggravated battery by discharging a firearm and other offenses, according to police records. They are scheduled for detention hearings Monday at the Leighton Criminal Court Building at 26th Street and California Ave.

Details about what prosecutors believe happened Friday night are expected to emerge during those hearings. On Friday, CPD said a 64-year-old man was getting into his car inside the garage at 456 E. Illinois St. when two robbers confronted him and demanded his property around 6:30 p.m. When he refused to cooperate, one of the assailants pulled out a gun and shot him in the side, police said.

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Chicago police arrested Williams and the juvenile in the Morgan Park neighborhood less than 90 minutes after the carjacking, according to CPD.

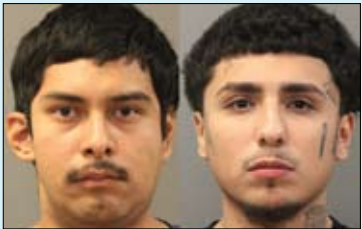
Williams' criminal history includes several armed-robbery and weapons-related cases. In March 2023, Williams, another man, and two 17-year-olds jumped out of a stolen SUV and robbed four people at gunpoint in the 500 block of W. Chicago Ave. in River North, prosecutors said. At the time, Williams had an outstanding juvenile warrant from McHenry County and a pending Chicago carjacking case. Prosecutors also said Williams had been adjudicated delinquent for gun possession in 2019 and 2020 and for criminal trespass to a vehicle in 2019.

In November 2025, Williams pleaded guilty to the armed robbery and received an eight-year sentence from Judge John Lyke. But the sentence was essentially satisfied by the 1,571 days of credit he had earned while in jail, along with Illinois' standard 50% sentence reduction.

In January of this year, Williams pleaded guilty to a 2023 armed robbery in Park Ridge and received a 10-year sentence from Judge Lorraine Mary Murphy. That sentence was also largely offset by time served, leaving him with just under 200 days to serve after the state's standard 50% sentence reduction.

Shortly after he got out of prison, Chicago police arrested Williams on July 21 in the 7000 block of S. Emerald Ave. and charged him with possessing a stolen motor vehicle. But on Aug. 28, Judge Kelly McCarthy dismissed the case after finding there was no probable cause, according to court records.

Two charged after string of spa robberies



Juan Hidalgo, left, and Gary May.

Two men have been charged in connection with a string of violent spa robberies on a single night in July that stretched from Bucktown to the Evanston border.

Juan Hidalgo, 25, is charged with two counts of armed robbery in connection with the first robbery, at a Bucktown spa on July 17. Police and court records also tie Gary May Jr., 26, to that robbery, though he has not been formally charged in it. May is charged in connection with the two robberies that followed, at a spa on N. Milwaukee Ave. and another on Howard St.

The first robbery happened around 10:50 p.m. at North Beauty Hair and Foot Spa, 1710 W. North Ave., where a 48-year-old woman was cleaning the business while her 37-year-old friend waited so they could go to dinner.

Prosecutors said Hidalgo walked up to the business and pressed the buzzer, which the women initially ignored. But when the cleaner eventually opened the door, Hidalgo immediately began punching her in the face and body, prosecutors said. Three other men then rushed inside.

The robbers took the cleaner, who was bleeding from her face, to a rear hallway, where they held both women against a wall before forcing them into a bathroom, prosecutors said. Hidalgo allegedly forced the cleaner

to hand over her cellphone and about \$1,200 in cash, and the men took the other woman's phone as well. Surveillance cameras captured the robbery both inside and outside the business.

Five days after the stop, the officer saw a CPD bulletin seeking to identify the spa robbers and recognized Hidalgo in the surveillance images. Detectives then placed him in a photo lineup, and both victims picked him out, according to a detention filing.

But there were two other spa robberies that night, with May allegedly taking part in both. Shortly after the Bucktown holdup, two women were cleaning the Refresh Spa, 3413 N. Milwaukee Ave., when someone knocked on the door. One woman answered, and four men rushed inside, with one putting her in a chokehold while the others restrained the second woman, according to a detention order by Judge Rivanda Doss Beal.

All of the robbers wore masks except May, the filing said. One of the women, 22, escaped into another room and locked herself inside. When she came out, she allegedly saw May tampering with the security camera system while another robber reached into her bag. She confronted the men, and May allegedly punched her in the chest before the robbers fled with more than \$1,000 in cash and the parts of the camera system.

The third robbery happened shortly after 1 a.m. at Relax Spa, 327 Howard St. Police said a man entered the business and received massage services before letting two accomplices in through the locked front door. The group, which allegedly included May, then searched the business for money and valuables.

At one point, one of the men grabbed an employee by the throat, forced her into a bathroom and used her Face ID to unlock her iPhone and access her banking application, police said. The robbers fled with about \$1,500 in business cash, the employee's phone, two credit cards and about \$600 belonging to another employee.

May is charged with two counts of armed robbery, two counts of aggravated armed kidnapping and two counts of aggravated unlawful restraint in connection with the Evanston robbery. He also faces charges in connection with the Refresh Spa robbery on N. Milwaukee Ave. Police continue to look for additional suspects.

Offender Charged with attempt murder of woman



Latanya Howard

Latanya Howard, 40, of the 1400 block of W. Greenleaf Ave., has been charged with one felony count of First Degree Attempted Murder Oct. 1 after she was arrested by members of the Chicago Police Department and U. S. Marshals Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force on September 29, in the 800 block of W. Irving Park Rd.

She was identified as the offender who, on Sept. 23, stabbed and seriously injured a 39-year-old female victim in the 900 block of W. Wilson Ave. The offender was placed into custody and subsequently charged accordingly.

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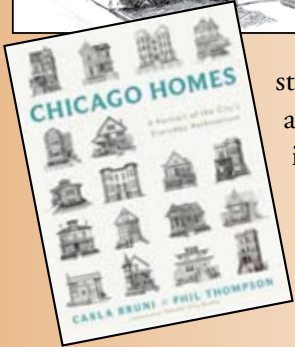
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Chicago’s lakefront topic of Oct. 10 book club meeting

Chicago’s lakefront stretches 30 miles, with 24 miles preserved as public parkland. The Chicago History Book Group will discuss the book *Forever Open, Clear, and Free: The Struggle for Chicago’s Lakefront* by award-winning journalist Lois Wille. The book discussion will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, in the Betty A. Barclay Community Room at the Edgewater Branch of the Chicago Public Library,

6000 N. Broadway. Books will be available at the first floor circulation desk. This history book traces the ongoing fight to ensure that the city’s shoreline remains a shared resource, accessible to all residents. This program is in partnership with the Edgewater Branch of the Chicago Public Library. No reservations are required.

Monthly public debate showcase series starting up Oct. 21 in Loop

A new monthly debate series is coming to town, proposed for multiple locations where various people will debate current events. The first debate is 5:30 p.m. Oct. 21 and will argue the future fate of Artificial Intelligence over beers and pizza at The Ferris, an AI co-working space at 1 W. Monroe St. These debates hope to make thoughtful, engaging debate a regular part of Chicago life. “The effort began with free debate club gatherings in Chicago public libraries,” said John Connor, founder of SuperDebate. The Oct. 21 showcase is their first paid evening “and the start of a monthly series at The Ferris in the Loop.” The Chicago Debate Showcase will offer three live debates about AI, and include audience questions and votes, with time to talk between rounds. Some rounds are casual. Some get competitive. The other scheduled Chicago dates are Nov. 18, Dec. 16, and Jan. 20, 2027, all of which will be held at The Ferris. SuperDebate believes good debate is not just about becoming more persuasive. Debate forces people to listen, respond under pressure, and understand arguments

some may not agree with. The Oct. 21 debate is focused on AI, with three debates of roughly 35 to 40 minutes each, plus audience questions, voting, and shorter debates that let people in the room participate. One announced pairing is Joshua Sarnoff and Jordana Goodman, two intellectual property law scholars, on AI, authorship, and inventorship. “We’re also developing debates on whether the AI investment boom is a bubble and whether AI expands or erodes human moral agency.” Said Connor, who says those speaker pairings are still being finalized. “Our aim is for people to leave with a sharper understanding of the disagreement, whatever their own view.” Earlier debates are available online to view, and included topics like “Jordan vs LeBron: The GOAT” and “DEI: More harm than good?” Debate tickets range from \$20 to \$50 per person, and they are developing free clubs and workshops alongside the showcases. Visit <https://superdebate.org/events/chicago-debate-showcase-2026>.



(Left) Whitney Reynolds and son Archer. (Right) Donna LaPietra, Bill Kurtis and John Drummond.



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crowd cheered and shouted as Air Force One flew **President Donald Trump** over Medinah Country Club’s Presidents Cup tournament, and the golfers were so inspired they came back from being down to take the win. Drinks and cigars all around after the big win. **WASTED AWAY AGAIN:** Jimmy Buffett’s *Escape to Margaritaville* opens this week and Music Theater Works will hold special events including the Na Kupuna Ukulele Club pre-show Opening Night Performance in the lobby Friday, Oct. 9, 6:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Plus, Behind the Curtain post-show discussions will be held with **Thomas M. Shea** after the 2 p.m. performances on Sunday, Oct. 11 and Sunday, Oct. 18. **WHO’S WHERE:** **Stephanie Leese Emrich** in Lake Forest for the Gala opening of the Citadel Theater Company on Greenbay Rd... **Miyeon Kwon, Prak Sis, Diene Ponder** and **Rahul** had a visitor from Canada and a few friends from a local art community in Chicago with a nice meal and lovely hang outs... **Whitney Reynolds** with **David Heiner** at Montrose Harbor for their son, **Archer Heiner’s** first cross country race - now in the books - with a 6:26 miler... **Bobbi Panter** with **Matt Arnoux** at Le Bristol Paris, it was a little hectic with another Chicagoan there: the Pope... Happy Birthday to **Andrew Harold Santos**, adored son of designer **Lauren Lein Cavanaugh**... **Michael Brosko** is in Sofia, Bulgaria, a long way from Ohio... **Liz Teasley** at the White DeVries rowing center in Culver, IN, daughter **Christina’s** first regatta for St. Ignatius College Prep... Former Lincoln Square librarian **Leah Steele** still recovering, wish her well... Happy Birthday **Marty Harman Junkins**, LaCrosse player supreme... **Julie Barrish** lunching on the Aegean Sea at Armeni, in Oia, Greece... **Julia Jacobs** and son, **Charlie Sanford** caught up in the festivities at Settlers Park for Plainfield’s Homecoming... Lovely **Sherry Lea Fox** is in sunny Miami Beach... **James Staples, Sarah Q. Crane** and friends were in attendance for Opening Night at the Chicago Symphony and report it was “superior”... **Bill and Kathy Bell Bartholomay** in Santar, Viseu, Portugal and Lisbon sipping Veno Verde... **Dario Pizano** making it to Oktoberfest for steins of Hofbrau from Munchen and brats... **Jose Rivera** at the Visceral Dance Gala with friends loving **Crystal’s** songful performance... **Eddie Burke, Jr.** stoppin’ by Florida’s Sanibel Island... **Ken and Mary Claire Scorsone Moll** in Rome for the wedding of **Greta Quintini** and **Joseph Flore**... Chef **Tony Pirola** and Chef **John Hogan** joined Chicago Chefs for Grand Cru 2 @ Chicago Gourmet... **Linda and Richard Robin** in Tokyo, Japan loving every minute of it, the theater, the art, the cuisine... **Sam and Honey Jacobs Skinner** and their sons at the opening of Northwestern U’s new Ryan Field... **Fr. Jeremiah Boland** in the city of Palma de Mallorca... Shout out to **Corky**

and **Lenny** at Manny’s Cafeteria and Delicatessen... CBS Channel 2 reunion with **Bill Kurtis, John Drummond** and **Donna LaPietra** at the Museum of Broadcast Communications, oh the things those three have seen... Attorney **Karen Conti** back from Warsaw and Krakow, Poland and Prague, Czech Republic... glad to see the **McCaskey Family** the night before the



Julie Barrish with her husband of 44 years.

Bear v. Eagles game at Piccolo Sogno... happy to run into **Fathers Scott Donahue** from Mercy Mission and **John Canary** from Mundelein Seminary at Mart Anthony’s... Ukraine diplomat **Marta Farion, Barb Bailey, Tina Gravel, Lauren Lein Cavanaugh**, and this writer, joined for an end of Summer lunch at RL.

MANGE, MANGE: Piccolo Sogno’s sous chef for the past seven years has been the magical **Nick Tolitno**, whose kitchen skills helped to place Piccolo Sogno on the map from Gazpacho to Bronzino. He was a natural fit for food and fame. And Nick became a revered Chicago face in their exquisite Italian eatery. Best wishes on all your kitchen endeavors to come. And a warm welcome to sous chef **Lazar**. Delicioso.

DATA: A new report on data centers in Illinois predicts they will create more than 100,000 jobs over the next decade and help reduce local property taxes. Time for the luddites protesting against our digital age to let go of the fear mongering and welcome the 21st century. Data centers, like our ballooning property taxes, are not a passing fancy, they’re here to stay. Tech executives and lawmakers claim China is spreading negative information about data centers. And as opposed to turning your tax dollars over to Cook County and City Haul, data centers will prove to offer a better return on investment.

WINE: The **Campos Family** of Mart Anthony’s recently squeezed in a wine weekend in Napa Valley. **Jack and Michael Campos** were glad to have “desert queen,” **Sandy Campos**, their mom, on hand.

FUNDRAISER: The Lynn Sage Foundation is hosting their fall fundraiser Oct. 22 at Theater on the Lake, and honoring **Rita Nanda, MD**, the Principal Investigator of the Chicago Breast Cancer Research Consortium.

TOAST: **Todd S. Davis** quoting **F. Scott Fitzgerald** on a Sunday, with no plans beyond brunch: “Here’s to alcohol, the rose-colored glasses of life.”

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Hell Hath No Fury, the epic saga of the Dark Age Frankish Queens Brunhild and Fredegund

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BY PETER VON BUOL

Hell Hath No Fury, The Epic Struggle of Dark Age Queens Brunhild and Fredegund, the epic and often violent struggle between two rival Frankish Queens during the Dark Ages will be the subject of two upcoming talks in October by Michael Haas, MA, the resident historian at DANKHaus, 4740 N. Western Ave.

The first presentation will take place Oct. 21 via Zoom. The following evening, on Oct. 22, Haas will give an in-person presentation in the Brauhaus Room of the DANKHaus. Both start at 7 p.m. and are expected to last 90 minutes. The ticket prices range from \$20 to \$25. The Brauhaus restaurant bar will be open during the in-person event.

According to Haas, the lives of the Frankish rival queens Brunhild (c. 543–613) and Fredegund (c. 543 – 597) is stranger than the fictional accounts they inspired. For 40 years, they fought a brutal and political and military battle against one another. Both ruled with an iron fist on behalf for their sons and grandsons (and great-grandsons). The husbands of both were assassinated. Both were military commanders, levied taxes, served as judges and negotiated with foreign leaders.

“The Germanic Frankish kingdom of the Merovingian Dynasty had set itself up as the successor kingdom of the former imperial western Roman province of Gaul. At the time, the former Gaul had already been torn apart by blood-borne rivalry and betrayal, when the rival spirits of two of its queens collided and splintered into a legendary feud,” said Haas.

Today, their real-life battle is best remembered as the inspiration for the late German composer Richard Wagner, who incorporated their lives into his The Ring of the Nibelung opera cycle. While Wagner also borrows heavily from the ancient Norse sagas and Norse mythology as his source material, he relied on inspiration

from the lives of both queens for the basis of his fictional character of Brunhild. Elements of the real-life Brunhild’s life were also incorporated into Wagner’s character of Guttrune, who seeks to avenge the assassination of her beloved husband, Siegfried.

Their epic struggle should dissuade anyone from the idea that powerful women did not exist in Western Europe during the Dark Ages (also known as the early Middle Ages).

While Brunhild outlived Fredegund, she did not outlive Fredegund’s son, King Chlothar II, who finally defeated Brunhild’s army and successfully reunited the Frankish Kingdom. After her defeat, Brunhild was brutally executed.

“The army of the Franks and Burgundians joined into one, all shouted together that death would be most fitting for the very wicked Brunhilda. Then, King Clotaire ordered that she be lifted onto a camel and led through the entire army. Then, she was tied to the feet of wild horses and torn apart limb from limb. Finally she died. Her final grave was the fire. Her bones were burnt,” wrote an anonymous 8th century chronicler.

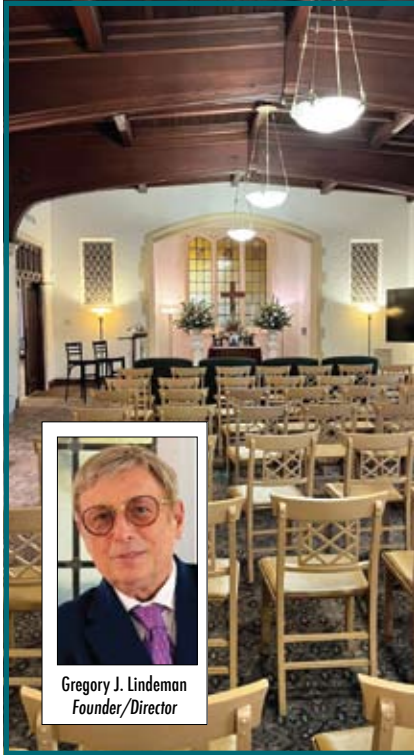
Buried in town of Autun, in the region of Burgundy, close to where she was executed, she was laid to rest in a tomb located in what had been the Abbey of St. Martin. The location was appropriate as she had founded the abbey in 602. Both were destroyed in 1793 during the French Revolution by Jacobin socialists.

“Both Brunhild and Fredegund were far from minor players. They were engaged in brutal Merovingian politics (they represented two factions of the same dynasty). They were truly “Power Frauen (women)” at a time early medieval Europe was still dominated by men. Their real-life story is still waiting for the right Hollywood screenwriter to capture the historical and dramatic essence of their significant roles they played,” said Haas.

For more information visit dankhaus.com or call 773-561-9181.



Canadian company Ballets Jazz Montréal makes their Chicago debut at The Auditorium Saturday, November 7 at 7:30 p.m., performing Dance Me: The Music of Leonard Cohen a tribute to Montréal's greatest musical ambassador, on the 10-year anniversary of his death (November 7, 2016). Dance Me was created under the artistic direction of Louis Robitaille and with bold and compelling staging by Eric Jean. Tickets are available at auditoriumtheatre.org.



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meal will highlight the traditions and modern culinary artistry of Korean cuisine.

Co-founded by Yamaguchi and Chef Alan Wong, both James Beard Award-winners, the festival originally was begun to put a spotlight on the state of Hawai'i as a culinary destination for fall travelers during a quieter time-period for travel and also to showcase the state's agricultural diversity by requiring all participating chefs to highlight locally-grown, raised or caught ingredients in their dishes.

Since its modest beginnings, it has become known as the premier food festival in the Pacific.

Among those participating in the HFWF will be Chef Lee Anne Wong, the chef/owner of O'ahu's Koko Head Cafe. On Sept. 26, Wong participated in two events that were part of Chicago Gourmet held in Millennium Park.

“Over the years, I have cooked at numerous events in Chicago, including collaborations with my good friend, Stephanie Izard (including at this year's Chicago Gourmet), and cooking for the James Beard Awards. Now that I live in Hawai'i, I do not get to Chicago as often as I'd like,” said Wong.

Now based in Hawai'i, Wong believes in the festival's mission of cultivating local culinary talent in Hawai'i.

“The Fest has partnered with the Culinary Institute of the Pacific since its inception 15 years ago, working closely with culinary schools on O'ahu, Maui and the Big Island (Hawai'i). The festival every year introduces over 100 international and nationally celebrated chefs to the Hawaiian



Chef Art Smith, who owns and operates Chicago's Blue Door and Reunion, at a previous HFWF event.



Chef Lee Anne Wong, chef and operator of Honolulu's Koko Head Cafe, at a previous HFWF event.

culinary community. It's a fantastic opportunity for the culinary students who volunteer to learn and to be exposed to a once in a lifetime experience working side by side with the featured chefs of the festival,” said Wong.



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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
THE MANHATTAN BUILDING CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, AN ILLINOIS NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION
Plaintiff,
-v.-
BARBARA SUSMAN A/K/A BARBARA A. SUSMAN A/K/A BARBARA ANN SUSMAN, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, 161 CHICAGO AVENUE EAST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants
2025 CH 12678
161 EAST CHICAGO AVENUE, UNIT 25E
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 April 23, 2026, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 27, 2026, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

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Commonly known as 161 EAST CHICAGO AVENUE, UNIT 25E, CHICAGO, IL 60611
Property Index No. 17-10-200-068-1007
The real estate is improved with a condominium.
The judgment amount was \$84,042.13.
Sale terms: If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, 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, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. 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

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is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.
You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.
For information, contact Thomas M. Olson, KOVITZ SHIFRIN NESBIT Plaintiffs Attorneys, 640 N. LASALLE DR., SUITE 495, CHICAGO, IL, 60654 (312) 880-1224.
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Case Number: 2025 CH 12678
TJSC#: 46-1155
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
SELENE FINANCE, LP
Plaintiff,
-v.-
GAVIN C. MEINSCHNEIN, 3711 N. PINE GROVE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants
2026 CH 02823
3711 N Pine Grove Ave 1G SE
CHICAGO, IL 60613
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on July 14, 2026, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on November 9, 2026, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 3711 N Pine Grove Ave 1G SE, CHICAGO, IL 60613
Property Index No. 14-21-106-029-1004
The real estate is improved with a condominium.
The judgment amount was \$405,517.22.
Sale terms: If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, 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, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. 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 admon-

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ished 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 CHAD LEWIS, ROBERTSON ANSCHUTZ SCHNEID CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Plaintiffs Attorneys, 6400 SHAFER CT, STE 325, ROSEMONT, IL, 60018 (561) 241-6901. Please refer to file number 26-400518.
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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 CWTAL, INC., ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2007-OH1, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-OH1,
Plaintiff
vs.
ATTORNEY GERALD P. NORDGREN, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR SHARON L. LANCASTER, MALIBU EAST CONDOMINIUM, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendant
25 CH 8541
CALENDAR 56
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on November 3, 2026, at the hour 11:00 a.m., Intercounty's office, 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, IL 60602, sell, in person, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
P.I.N. 14-05-215-017-1041.
Commonly known as 6033 N. SHERIDAN RD., 7K, CHICAGO, IL 60660.
The real estate is: condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 189.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: At sale, the

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bidder must have 10% (or 25% if so ordered in the Judgment of Foreclosure) down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property is sold AS IS subject to all liens or encumbrances. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the circuit court case record, property tax record and the title record to verify all information before bidding. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.
For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Marinosci Law Group, PC, 2215 Enterprise Drive, Suite 1512, Westchester, Illinois 60154. (312) 940-8580. 25-03681
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK
Plaintiff,
-v.-
COLTON WILLIAM CULL A/K/A COLTON W. CULL, PARK PLACE TOWER MASTER ASSOCIATION, PARK PLACE TOWER 1 CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants
2025 CH 05748
655 W. IRVING PARK ROAD, UNIT 5005
CHICAGO, IL 60613
NOTICE OF SALE
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poration, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 655 W. IRVING PARK ROAD, UNIT 5005, CHICAGO, IL 60613
Property Index No. 14-21-101-054-2575
The real estate is improved with a condominium.
The judgment amount was \$160,243.70.
Sale terms: If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, 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, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. 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 part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
CITIBANK, N.A.
Plaintiff
vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF JERRY MATTHEWS; DONNA J. MATTHEWS; 6500N. RIDGE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; WILLIAM P. BUTCHER AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF JERRY MATTHEWS; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendant
23 CH 2907
CALENDAR 60
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on November 2, 2026, at the hour 11:00 a.m., Intercounty's office, 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, IL 60602, sell, in person, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
P.I.N. 11-31-401-091-1022.
Commonly known as 6500 N. Ridge Blvd. Unit 4F, Chicago, IL 60626.
The real estate is: condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: At sale, the bidder must have 10% (or 25% if so ordered in the Judgment of Foreclosure) down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property is sold AS IS subject to all liens or encumbrances. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the circuit court case record, property tax record and the title record to verify all information before bidding. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.
For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Diaz Anselmo & Associates P.A., 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL 60563. (630) 453-6960. 6710-191745
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RECORD CLAIMANTS;
Defendants.
2023CH09654
1728 W. Farwell Avenue, Unit 307, Chicago, IL 60626
NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 5/8/2026, an agent of Auction.com, LLC will conduct the Online Only auction at www.auction.com, with the bidding window opening on 11/2/2026 at 10:00 AM CDT and closing on November 4, 2026 at 10:00 AM subject to extension, and will sell at public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate.
Commonly known as 1728 W. Farwell Avenue, Unit 307, Chicago, IL 60626
Property Index No. 11-31-221-028-1021
The real estate is improved with a Condominium.
The judgment amount was \$212,469.99
Sale Terms: Full Sale Terms are available on the property page at www.auction.com by entering 1728 W. Farwell Avenue, Unit 307 into the search bar. If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, the winning bidder must pay the full bid amount within twenty-four (24) hours of the auction's end. All payments must be certified funds. No third-party checks will be accepted. All bidders will need to register at www.auction.com prior to placing a bid. 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. For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC (630) 453-6960 please refer to file number 6766-194720. Auction.com, LLC 100 N LaSalle St., Suite 1400, Chicago, IL 60602 - 872-225-4985 You can also visit www.auction.com. Attorney File No. 6766-194720 Case Number: 2023CH09654 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

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
AMERISAVE MORTGAGE CORPORATION
Plaintiff,
-v.-
JENNIFER M BREWER, FIGURE LENDING LLC
Defendants
2024 CH 06061
7555 NORTH ROGERS AVENUE
CHICAGO, IL 60626
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 12, 2026, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on November 2, 2026, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 7555 NORTH ROGERS AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60626
Property Index No. 11-29-301-002-0000
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.
The judgment amount was \$420,398.61.
Sale terms: If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, 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, in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. 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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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 Judicial Sales Corporation 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 Andrew Weiss, QUINTAIROS, PRIETO, WOOD & BOYER, P.A. Plaintiffs Attorneys, 141 W. JACKSON BOULEVARD SUITE 1575, CHICAGO, IL, 60604 (904) 354-5500.
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Case Number: 2024 CH 06061
TJSC#: 46-1525
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 # 2024 CH 06061
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
REGIONS BANK DBA REGIONS MORTGAGE
Plaintiff,
-v.-
LONNIE DUNCAN, GREYSTONE COURT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
Defendants
25 CH 11422
1430 W LUNT AVE APT. 3E
CHICAGO, IL 60626
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Property Index No. 11-32-109-016-1015
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COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION

Real Estate For Sale

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION
Plaintiff
vs.
Derry Bankston, Cook County Property Tax Solutions, LLC d/b/a Property Tax Solutions of Chicago, County of Cook, State of Illinois, Krzysztof Fomal, United States of America acting by and through the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Unknown owners and non-record claimants
Defendant
26 CH 652
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soared to 8.54% on June 2, 2000. Earlier, on June 14, 1996 they hit 8.39%.

What about the 9%-bracket? On Dec. 16, 1994 the average rate on a 30-year loan hovered at 9.25%. And, a few years earlier, on Aug. 24, 1990, rates hit the stratosphere—exploding to the dreaded double-digit level—10.29%.

“Mortgage interest rates may have declined over the past two-and-a-half decades, but home prices have tripled,” noted Rose.

According to Rose, one option is to pay a loan fee to buy-down the mortgage rate. Today, the buyer of a \$400,000 home with a credit score of 740, who places a 25% down payment and takes out a \$300,000 mortgage for 30 years would pay a rate of around 7.25%.

“If the buyer is willing to pay a 1% discount point, or a loan fee of \$3,000, the interest rate would drop to 6.875%,” Rose said.

Freddie Mac’s Khater gave the following sage advice: “Aspiring buyers should remember shopping around for the best mortgage

rate and getting multiple quotes can potentially save them thousands.”

However, borrowers should be wary of having their credit score pulled too often. Multiple credit inquiries may lower their credit scores and raise their mortgage rate.

North-Side prices on the rise

With the current listing shortage, median home prices have increased on the Near North/Gold Coast, Lincoln Park and Lakeview, reported broker John Irwin of Baird & Warner. Median North Side prices are up 10.9% year to date.

In August, North Side home-sales numbers dropped -14% and residential listings declined -18.4%, reported the September Baird & Warner North Side Chicago Market Analysis.

Long-term mortgage-rate history

Archives of the now-defunct Federal Housing Finance Board show long-term mortgage rates in the 1960s were not much higher than the Great Depression, when

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lenders were charging 5% on five-year balloon loans.

Nearly six decades ago, between 1963 and 1965 borrowers could get a mortgage at 5.81% to 5.94%. Between 1971 and 1977, the now-defunct Illinois Usury Law held rates in the 7.6%-to-9% range.

In the early 1980s, runaway inflation caused home-loan rates to skyrocket into the stratosphere. According to Freddie Mac, 30-year mortgage rates peaked at a jaw-dropping 18.45% in October of 1981 during “the Great Recession.”

Rates finally fell below 10% in April of 1986, and then bounced in the 9%-to-10% range during the balance of the 1980s. Twenty-six years ago—in August of 2000—when some of today’s Millennial borrowers were in diapers, lenders were quoting 8.04%.

Between 2002 and 2011, rates bounced in the 4%-to-6% range. They inched into the 3%-to-4% range until 2020, when they fell into the rock-bottom 2%-bracket.

Don DeBat is co-author of “Escaping Condo Jail,” the de-

finitive guide to condominium living. A veteran real estate voice, DeBat provides essential insights for navigating condo and homeowner association ownership at escapingcondojail.com. Stay updated on housing news at dondebat.biz. Don is currently writing “Chicago’s Game,” a look at the history and lifestyle of 16-inch softball.

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pened in the courtroom to convince a judge to release a 32-time convicted felon with a proven history of motor vehicle thefts without so much as an ankle monitor. We were told that a “daily copy” of the transcript, which is supposed to be available within 24 hours at a premium price, would not be available for “three weeks at the earliest” because the county’s court reporters are buried under a severe backlog of casework.

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Uptown Theatre opening its doors for Open House Chicago

Those who have been waiting for a chance to see inside the boarded up front doors of the Uptown Theater, this may be it.

After decades of being closed to the public, the beloved Uptown Theatre is officially joining the Chicago Architecture Center’s Open House Chicago Festival, happening Oct. 17 and 18. This will be a rare free opportunity for neighbors to step inside one of Uptown’s most iconic landmarks.

Built in 1925, the Uptown Theatre is celebrating more than 100 years of history. Once home to movies, concerts, vaudeville performances, and other entertainment, this 4,400-seat theater has been closed since 1981. For many, it is a building frequently walked past but never actually viewed from the inside.

So here’s an opportunity to get a glimpse inside.

Visitors will be able to explore the theatre’s Broadway lobby and even enter its rarely accessed auditorium in guided groups.

Open House Chicago is one of the largest free festivals of its kind in the world, opening the doors to more than 200 architecturally, historically, and culturally significant sites across 30 Chicago neighborhoods, with no advance registration required.

Uptown Theatre tours are scheduled for 10 p.m.–3 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday. Visitors will enter through the main lobby for a short guided auditorium tour, and photography will not be permitted inside.

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an \$11.5 million capital loan and approximately \$21 million in projected operating subsidy over 20 years for 37 CHA-assisted homes.

The project includes nine studios, 28 one-bedrooms, 27 two-bedrooms, 27 three-bedrooms, and eight four-bedroom apartments.

Those 37 affordable units include CHA replacement homes supported by project-based vouchers and 28 units available to households earning between 50% and 60% of the Area Median Income. The completed development offers residents amenities including a community room, garden, fitness center, dog park, and 70 parking spaces.

Also attending the ribbon cutting was Ald. Walter Red Burnett [27th], Dept. of Housing Cmsr. Lissette Castañeda, CHA Chief of Staff Kamena Brooks, Peter Holsten of Holsten Real Estate Development Corp., the Rev. Randall K. Blakey of Cabrini Green LAC Community Development Corporation, and Mayor Brandon Johnson.

“Today, we honor [Cabrini-Green’s] history while continuing the work of building a stronger, resilient neighborhood for current and future residents,” said Brooks. “Parkside of Old Town has been central to that effort—bringing new homes, new opportunities, and a new chapter to this historic part of Chicago.”

“As this final phase of Parkside nears completion, we are reminded of the promises that were made over 25 years ago—those of inclusion, of hope and community,” said Jackie Taylor Holsten, Executive Director, Holsten Human Capital Development. “Although it took a long time to get to today—from The Plan for Transformation to cutting the ribbon at 520 Hobbie—we are proud of [this] accomplishments.”

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On Sept. 30, Judge Coleman issued a permanent injunction in *Chicago Cubs Baseball Club, LLC v. Aidan Duncan and Rooftop by the Firehouse, Inc.*, 24 C 05086. Basically, Judge Coleman found the defendants “profited from ticket sales to watch Cubs games, without contributing financially to the ballgames and without acquiring a right to sell Plaintiff’s product. Unfairly capitalizing on another’s labor and expenses offends principles of justice, equity, and good conscience.”

Judge Coleman’s ruling cites the nearly 90-year old case of *Pittsburgh Athletic Co., v. KQV Broadcasting*, 24 F.Supp. 490, from the federal district court in Pittsburgh, “widely viewed as the leading precedent on this issue.” In that case, a Pittsburgh radio station positioned broadcasters at a high vantage point outside the park and broad-

cast the action. That court ruled against the radio station stating that baseball clubs had the “right, title and interest to the baseball games played within their parks.”

Judge Coleman enjoined the defendants from using the Cubs’ “marks”—logos and trade names and selling tickets to viewing live Cubs games and other events at Wrigley Field. Although the summary judgment ruling by Judge Coleman made no mention of money damages to Cubs from the Defendants, the complaint itself prays for money damages.

That will undoubtedly be the next phase of this struggle between Wrigley View and the Cubs. There is no indication of whether Wrigley View intends to appeal the ruling.

Wrigley View could, of course, agree to pay the Cubs a portion of its revenue like it had for almost 20 years. No word on whether the Cubs will agree to let Wrigley View reopen and at what cost.

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ons stout defense would not allow it. They stuffed two runs up the middle and a pass in the right flat. It was not Amundsen’s day.

“We graduated 20 starters last year and starting over this year with guys who don’t have a lot of varsity experience. We know that we had to get better as the year progressed. Unfortunately, it hasn’t gone our way the past six games,” said Amundsen coach Nick Olson.

The Amundsen Vikings are having a rough go this season. They are not actually playing that poorly. It seems at times like it’s one good play and then two bad ones;

a dropped pass or a penalty. They are not manufacturing any luck—just adversity.

Olson was a little introspective after the game.

“I have never been in this situation in my coaching career. I’ve never had this kind of adversity with a six-game skid. I have only known success here at Amundsen. So this is also a chance for me to grow as a coach and figure out what I can do to help them right the ship,” added Olson

“My guys don’t have any quit in them. I am very proud that we are a neighborhood school. We are not selective enrollment. We don’t have 5,000 kids to pick from. And we are fielding an 89-man roster with a neighborhood school.”

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home from work. About 20 minutes later, Gibson allegedly boarded the back of the bus without paying the fare, carrying a duffle bag.

When the bus stopped at Belmont and Milwaukee around 4:55 p.m., Gibson pulled a knife from his duffle bag and launched into an “entirely unprovoked” attack, standing behind the victim’s seat and stabbing him twice in the neck and three times in his upper back, the detention filing said.

After the stabbing, Gibson allegedly turned toward another passenger while holding the knife in the air. That passenger put his backpack in front of his face to protect himself and watched as Gibson fled the bus and ran south on Milwaukee Ave. The stabbing was captured on CTA video.

The woman said an officer warned her to “watch the blood” when she went outside.

Gibson allegedly continued south to the 3000 block of N. Milwaukee Ave., where he found a red Chevrolet Malibu parked with its engine running and doors unlocked while its owner went into a convenience store. As the 44-year-old owner came outside, Gibson allegedly climbed into the driver’s seat and drove away, pull-

ing the man to the ground when he tried to stop him. That incident was also captured on video.

About 15 minutes later, officers learned of a crash involving the stolen car in the 3300 block of W. Wrightwood Ave. Prosecutors said Gibson had driven into oncoming traffic and sideswiped another vehicle, causing the Malibu to spin out.

Gibson allegedly fled from the crash and was found by police about four blocks away, still carrying the duffle bag, which contained a 6-inch kitchen knife, according to prosecutors.

In a detention filing, prosecutors said Gibson made a string of comments while being transported, including: “I know what I did. You know I stabbed an innocent White man. I stabbed a White man in the back. I stabbed him he was tweaking bro. I took ol’ boy’s car. Yeah, I crashed the car because I was feeling bad energy from her.”

Judge Ankur Srivastava granted the state’s request to keep Gibson detained pending trial.

Court records show Gibson has multiple felony convictions from 2022 for aggravated battery of peace officers and escape by a felon. He also has a 2019 burglary conviction.

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