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—Derrick Rose

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New Pickleball court to be reviewed at Advisory Council meeting

The Lincoln Park Advisory Council will be meeting in person 7 p.m. Oct. 9 at the Margate Park Fieldhouse, 4921 N. Marine Dr.

There is a pickleball project in the park that the Advisory Council has been asked to review. The proposed location is just west of

the tennis courts that are at the east end of Diversey just north of the harbor.

Those who would like to have a link to this proposed construction before the meeting may e-mail lpacbdm2013@gmail.com.

High density project fails to get Alderman's support

Ald. Maria Hadden [49th] says she will not support the proposed new high density development proposed for 7728 N. Sheridan Rd.

The applicant, 5035 Land Owner, LLC, sought a zoning change from RT-4 to B2-5 to allow for the construction of a massive new six-story, 52 unit, development on the site that once had just a single family home.

That the developers were threatening to only provide nine off-street parking spots was likely the reason for the rejection.

Prior to the onslaught of Transit Oriented Developments, city zoning for a project like this would have demanded 52 off-street parking spaces be created to serve future resident.

In her newsletter, the Alderman

said that her office received 537 responses on the community survey they took, as well as "many phone calls and emails, both in favor and against this development, as well as a petition from immediate neighbors calling for the zoning change to be denied."

"There were major concerns regarding the density of units on-site, the parking provided and possible congestion, the setbacks of the building, and its contextualization within the neighborhood."

Hadden says she will allow the developers to resubmit a zoning application based on this community feedback. "If and when a new proposal is submitted, our office will schedule an update meeting with the community," she said.

Howard Corridor development meeting Oct. 15

A community open house meeting will be held Oct. 15 to provide updates on ongoing planning and development initiatives along the Howard Street Corridor.

The in-person meeting will take place at 6 p.m. at Gale Community Academy, 1631 W. Jonquil Terrace.

Participating in the meeting will be the 49th Ward Office and the Chicago Dept. of Planning

and Development who will share updates regarding the city-owned lot at Howard and Ashland and a framework for future development along Howard.

Other local groups will share updates regarding the all-affordable development at Howard and Paulina, and the One Howard Plan. For more information call 773-338-5796.

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Panic in Puptown Park, heroin stash found in dog park

Dog owners find illegal drugs, blame homeless drug users

Puptown Park has a heroin problem. Are the dogs of Uptown on smack?

Are the Chihuahuas smuggling in Mexican Brown? (No we're not talking about what you pick up in a plastic bag and toss away).

A serious drug problem has arisen out of the homeless camps along the North Lakefront, and as usual, the flashpoint is in Uptown.

In a letter published on Facebook by the area's dog owners, they say they recently found "several bags of heroin in the space just east of Puptown (very near

the pollinator garden). A resident in the encampment informed us that it was brought in last night by another individual."

Violence and drug use on pedestrian walkways, in viaducts, and in Chicago's parks are among the top concerns over the homeless encampments that are expanding along Lake Shore Dr. It is a problem that is broadly being ignored by those with the power to effect change: City Hall, Chicago Police and the Chicago Park District.

Indeed, service providers cited alcohol, heroin, and other opioid use as the most prevalent substance use disorders in the homeless camps, according to a study conducted by the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services and

the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development.

That study also shows that in recent years, the number, size, and visibility of homeless encampments has increased—despite Chicago's decreases in the numbers of chronic homelessness. A lot of that increase can be blamed on drug use and the broad disregard and lack of services public officials and agencies have provided for the mentally ill and substance abusers.

It seems that Uptown has experienced the worst of the crisis, as tents first popped up under the areas lakefront viaducts in 2016. And Illinois law has been interpreted as prohibiting the city from

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City breaks ground on Haven on Lincoln

Housing concept pairs individualized living spaces with intensive on-site healthcare for homeless with health problems

Mayor Brandon Johnson, and many city staffers were on hand for the Sept. 30 groundbreaking of The Haven on Lincoln, a housing complex in the Budlong Woods neighborhood being created at the site of the former 46-room Diplomat Motel, 5230 N. Lincoln Ave. This effort hopes to improve overall health and housing conditions for residents living with addictions, substance abuse issues, and mental illness by preventing them from cycling through homelessness and multiple systems of shelter and care.

In May 2023, the Community Development Commission approved a proposal to buy the hotel for \$2.9 million. The Haven's redevelopment budget is \$13 million - which includes the \$2.9 million acquisition - redesign, rehab and full building electrification. These funds came from Chicago Recovery Plan municipal bonds along with Tax Increment Financing property taxes collected from nearby property owners.

The Haven will have the capacity for 40 people who will live there for at least three to six months while simultaneously receiving on-site healthcare, social services and case management to hoping to improve their wellness.

The Haven on Lincoln was inspired by Hotel 166, a hotel-based protective housing intervention operated at 166 E. Superior St. during the COVID-19 pandemic. During its operation, people living at the hotel saw improvements in certain health measures such as blood pressure and glyce-mic control.

More than half of them moved on to longer-term housing after the intervention. Among Hotel 166 residents: 62% reported that their mental health improved or stabilized during their stay; 60% exited to permanent housing or residential treatment; and 28% of people with a mental health condition were newly initiated on psychiatric medications.

The city was spending \$175 per

room per night for the 216-room Hotel 166.

"The Haven stands as a model for how local government can support people who face the dual challenge of serious illness and homelessness," said Mayor Johnson. "This motel conversion project demonstrates how we can breathe new life into existing buildings, creating spaces of dignity and care."

The rise in homelessness in Chicago over the last few years is due in part to inadequate systems for treating the mentally ill, and also substance abusers. According to the Illinois Morality and Morbidity Report, compared to deaths in the general population, the average age at the time of death was almost 20 years younger among [homeless] people vs the general population, at 56.3 vs 74.2 years old.

Having a home is a significant social determinant of health

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Amundsen falls to Simeon 30-14

BY JACK LYDON



Amundsen's Reggie Mitchell returns to bench after 56 yard TD on the first play.

Amundsen High School had one slip away. A few big plays by Simeon early in the fourth quarter proved the difference. Amundsen dominated quarters one and three. Simeon dominated quarters two and four. The Simeon Wolverines (5-1) defeated the Amundsen Vikings (3-3) 30-14 on Oct. 3 at Gately Stadium.

After the Vikings took the opening kickoff, on the first play from scrimmage, Vikings' junior running back powered up the middle 56 yards for a touchdown. Simeon did not know what hit them.

The Vikings held Simeon after the Wolverines failed to connect on some deep passes. The Vikings took over on their 41-yard line. The Vikings went back to Reggie Mitchell. The junior again took the ball through the middle of Simeon's defense. This time for 31 yards down to the Wolverines 23-yard line.

Add in a few more runs and Mitchell had 102 yards in the first quarter. The first quarter was all Amundsen.

The second quarter went to the Wolverines. Senior quarterback Kaleb Sims scored on a 14-yard keeper with 3:03 left to bring the Wolverines even at 6-6 after

the two point conversion attempt failed.

The Wolverines added another touchdown late in the half with a 45-yard catch and run by junior wide receiver Cornell Conely. The two-point conversion was good, the score at the half was 14-6 Simeon.

The third quarter was all Amundsen. Literally. The Vikings' first and only drive last almost all but a minute and a half of third. A fourth and goal 10-yard touchdown pass from Elmir Gjeka to Vikings' sophomore wide receiver Shea O'Connor and a two point conversion brought Amundsen even 14-14 to open the

fourth.

The speed of Simeon proved a little too much. A couple big plays by the Wolverines added two touchdowns and two two-point conversions. Simeon sophomore running back James Bell scored from four yards out early in the fourth. Bell added another TD with five minutes left on a 30-yard run to give the Wolverines a 30-14 lead.

Of the big plays that gashed the Vikings late, head coach Nick Olson said, "That's been our Achilles' heel all year. I think it was second and goal from the

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Chicago needs a clean up crew



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

Recently we have been inundated with reader's suggestions and strategies for reversing the current urban disintegration of our hometown.

Some are wisely aimed with bird's eye accuracy at the misdirection and political blunders of Mayor Johnson.

Others are more scattershot, encompassing his accomplices on the fifth floor, in the wholesale destruction of Chicago's financial health, political stability and global reputation. Such as those radical aides who know Johnson is afraid to discipline them or challenge their suspicious philosophies.

Many others want to take aim at the Chicago Teachers Union who treat the mayor like a forlorn drunken husband. Fueling his self-destruction for their own advancement and ensuring that they are able to control his every move by fear, self-doubt and inability to exercise right judgment.

Others are fed up with our Marxist socialist City Council. These are now infamous no-show aldermen and go-slow city worker-allies who are having the time of their lives under Johnson's despotism of needed knowledge or appropriate understanding of municipal leadership.

I keep seeing parallels between the Johnson regime and that of Mayor "Big Bill" Thompson, 1919-1923 and 1927-1931. Gangster Al Capone's trusted mayoral pal during the roaring 20s. There was no stopping Big Bill. He was a law unto himself. How he never wound up behind bars during his terms in office is one of the great mysteries of Chicago politics.

Big Bill was a hard worker. His large team of workers were also tireless in their expended energy on his behalf. He was afraid of no one, except maybe Big Al or Frank Nitti, Capone's second in command.

If you needed a cocktail during Prohibition, or a place to entertain your "sweetie" where your wife wouldn't bother you, Big Bill had the perfect vessel. A large seaworthy ship out in Lake Michigan, off Belmont Harbor, known as the "Fish Fans' Club."

Regularly scheduled vessels would shuttle guests or members out to the club. For a steep price you could luxuriate in the finest food and beverages in town, like it was 1916. No federal ban on alcohol was enforced aboard that golden ship. Well-heeled Chicagoans, many well-known, could sip away the evening at the baccarat tables or the cigar-filled poker games. I'm told a few folk even won a pot or two.

Chicago Police never visited. And besides, Big Bill could always rely on some of Big Al's

boys to keep the peace. There was a tattered elegance that was appealing to many. Chummy judges of questionable allegiances, attorneys with dark reputations, and fix-it men of questionable financial means.

There was just one thing that the regime of Big Bill could not supply. That was a sense of moral certitude and right living.

There was seldom anyone to engage Mayor Thompson over his questionable activities.

The spirit of the Fish Fans' Club trickled down through the ranks of everyday Chicago life. Big Bill was always ready to indulge the public. Chicago's voters.

After two terms in office, Big Bill was shockingly voted out of office, replaced by a resolute reformer, William Emmett Dever, mayor from 1923 to 1927. The reformer, sadly, had only one term. That's when Big Bill chose once more to defy the odds and went after everyone's vote. Especially the Irish.

He told the Irish that he personally found all the books on English History and their ill treatment of the Irish for eight centuries to be criminal. He said that such volumes of false history should be removed from all branches of the Chicago Public Library. He said he would order the City's public hangman to burn all those volumes on the lakefront.

It worked. Big Bill was returned to office in 1927.

He also added that if King George V of England ever showed up in Chicago, he would personally punch him in the nose.

Chicago crime was prolific in that era, sparking local business leaders to approach President Herbert Hoover with a request for a special federal law enforcement presence to challenge the murder, bootlegging and lawlessness out of hand in Chicago. That's when the Federal government established the "Untouchables." A federal force sent to Chicago led by the vigilant lawman Eliot Ness.

Ness and his crew were authorized to clean up Chicago. Examine what previously had never been inspected or surveyed under the microscope. Investigating those who were on the mob's payroll. Chicagoans who had made common cause with the Capone gang and the long line of local mobsters from Frank Nitti, Irishman Dion O'Banion to Big Jim Colosimo, the Genna Brothers, Bugs Moran, Baby Face Nelson, "Diamond Joe" Esposito, Paul "the Waiter" Ricca, Earl J. "Hymie" Weiss, and Jack "Machine Gun Jack" McGurn.

In many ways it was a Zen moment of profound change.

Ness and his crew got Capone. Tried and convicted for tax fraud. Sent to prison. He was never the same.

Law enforcement was federalized and lifted from the folklore and myth of everyday Chicago life of bad judges, crooked politicians, traitor cops on the take and misguided citizens who found the financial rewards of crime a more lucrative expression of Chicago citizenship.

It's time for such a Zen moment again.

Given the dangerous level of current crime we could examine

Chicago political life from the ancient perspective of the Zen. Perhaps the rush and collision of city-wide eventing from Riot Fest to auto racing on Lake Shore Dr., from Taste of Chicago and \$800,000 to fence off the homeless, to failed Mexican Independence celebrations, Chicago could take a step back and attempt accomplishing one thing at a time.

Like rationally controlling our urban environment. Or paying our bills.

Perhaps we could attempt to do things more slowly and deliberately, like urban road repair, reorganize the bridges over the Chicago River's North Branch, or evaluate the rationality of deputies and hangers-on in the mayor's office of frightful political beliefs more suited to Beijing.

Perhaps an emphasis on personal manners could be enforced, increasing respect for the public the city serves, live more simply, less complicated by acts of vengeance, violence and aggression.

Finally, let's clean house in City Hall of the misfits and breeders of mayhem, the lazy and unprepared accomplices of misshapen political failure, and the undistinguished racists and anti-American tyrants whose attitudes fuel cruel hatreds and ruin the economy. Let's Zen, everyone.

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Chicago's new Anti-Gentrification Ordinance will hurt property owners



The Home Front

by Don DeBat

Chicago's small, "Ma and Pa" apartment-building owners in six rapidly appreciating Northwest and West Side neighborhoods should beware.

Mayor Brandon Marshall—an avowed Democratic Socialist—and his henchmen and henchwomen in the City Council, have launched an attack on your private property rights. And, that could cost you money and loss of control over your real property.

The "Northwest Side Housing Preservation Ordinance"—which allegedly is designed to protect housing in the rapidly gentrifying neighborhoods of West Town, Logan Square, Avondale, Humboldt Park, Hermosa and a large section of Pilsen—was overwhelmingly approved on Sept. 18. The ordinance goes into effect today, Oct. 9, and that will grant rare powers to renters.

Only three courageous aldermen opposed the ordinance—Brian Hopkins [2nd], Bill Conway [34th] and Bennett Lawson [44th].

The legislation seeks to protect renters in 2-flats, 3-flats, 4-flats and apartment buildings with 5 units or more from being priced out by higher rents and/or displaced by gentrification by giving tenants a first right to buy the building.

Veteran North Side Realtor Sara Benson, president of Benson Stanley Realty, explained that the ordinance especially will impact sales of buildings with 5 units or more because it gives tenants 120 days to exercise their first-right-of-refusal to buy.

"The 120-day window may severely impact real estate values

due to the historic seasonal and cyclical nature of market rents and sales activity," Benson said. "And, if mortgage interest rates rise during the required months-long waiting periods both buyers and sellers could be financially penalized."

Landlords and real estate managers say that the ordinance was rushed through the City Council with virtually no input from apartment owners and the real estate industry.

The ordinance purports to "preserve naturally occurring affordable housing" by requiring owners of rental apartments who wish to sell their buildings to give tenants a right-of-first-refusal to buy.

The sweeping ordinance covers a geographic area spanning more than six square miles in the heart of Chicago's Northwest and West sides and an undetermined number of miles within Pilsen.

The ordinance was sponsored by seven aldermen—Carlos Ramirez-Rosa [35th], Daniel La Spata [1st], Jessie Fuentes [26th], Byron Sigcho-Lopez [25th], Ruth Cruz [30th], Felix Cardona [31st] and Rossana Rodriguez-Sanchez [33rd].

"The goals of the ordinance—preserving naturally occurring affordable housing in multifamily buildings and preventing displacement of longtime residents—are both laudable," Ald. Hopkins

told the Home Front column in an exclusive interview.

"Chicago is blessed to have a large quantity of what experts call 'middle housing,' especially compared to cities that saw the majority of their residential development happen in the post-automobile era," Hopkins said.

"However, I voted no because I had concerns about the challenges that will be placed on owners of buildings, particularly smaller buildings owned by middle-class families. Many of these buildings have been owned by the same families for generations," Hopkins said.

"At least some of the increase in property values is the result of the buildings being meticulously maintained by those families for decades, and they should not be penalized when it is time to sell," Hopkins explained.

"Furthermore, the greatly lengthened runway now needed to sell a multifamily building in the pilot area, without a requirement of any tenant organization to show evidence of financing to purchase the building, is fundamentally not fair and is government overreach," Ald. Hopkins concluded.

"It's terrible economic policy," said Ald. Conway, another brave

alderman who voted against the anti-gentrification ordinance. "If we as a city want to be cutting red tape and encouraging investment in our neighborhoods, we should not be constricting the supply of housing. I believe this will have the opposite effect on housing affordability."

Mike Glasser, president of the Neighborhood Building Owners Alliance [NBOA], which represents 11 real estate organizations, noted that the restrictive ordinance also significantly increases the demolition surcharge on multifamily builds to \$60,000 from \$15,000, providing a disincentive for developers or property owners to replace an aging two-flat with a new single-family home.

"However, the right-of-first-refusal requirement is the most egregious provision of the ordinance," Glasser said. "Under the ordinance, a landlord intending to sell must first provide the tenants with the option to purchase the building at the same prices as they offer it on the open market."

The ordinance also encourages apartment renters who exercise their right-of-first-refusal to form tenant organizations and work together to place a 5% down payment and buy buildings.

More significantly, the ordi-

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Ald. Brian Hopkins



Ald. Bill Conway

Share your thoughts on building a better downtown

The second phase of the Chicago Dept. of Planning and Development's [DPD] ongoing Central Area Plan Update includes multiple opportunities for the public to suggest and refine strategies that serve residents, workers, visitors and businesses — including an online survey that's live now through Oct. 31.

To take the survey, visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/688FF3J>.

The two-phase effort starts with a series of conversations with constituents. Public insight and feedback on topics such as housing, transportation, economic development and arts and culture may help create an updated vision for how downtown growth can serve all Chicagoans over the next 20 years.

Prior to taking the survey, residents may want to review the DPD's vision statements and priorities to help guide the second phase of the Update, in which DPD will use to develop formal strategies and recommendations.



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Byline Bank, First Security announce merger

Two established community banks have decided to merge. Byline Bancorp has entered into a merger agreement with First Security Bancorp [FSB]. FSB is a smaller bank group than Byline, that is controlled by the Wirtz family of Chicago Blackhawks fame.

The merger was announced Sept. 30. It is a cash and stock deal valued at approximately \$41 million based on Byline's closing stock price as of Sept. 27.

Chicago-based Byline, led by CEO Roberto Herencia, has \$10 billion in assets and operates 45 Chicago-area branches. Byline emerged out of the former Metropolitan Bank Group, which included North Community Bank on Chicago's North Side.

FSB, headquartered in Elm-

wood Park, has total assets of \$355 million, operates one branch, and offers commercial as well as community banking services.

Under the terms of the deal, Byline will issue 2.1794 shares of its common stock for each outstanding share of FSB common stock, or approximately 1.5 million shares to First Security Bancorp common stockholders, subject to adjustment per the terms of the agreement.

The transaction has been approved unanimously by each company's board of directors and is expected to close during in the second quarter of 2025. The deal is subject to regulatory approvals, the approval of FSB's stockholders and the satisfaction of certain other closing conditions.

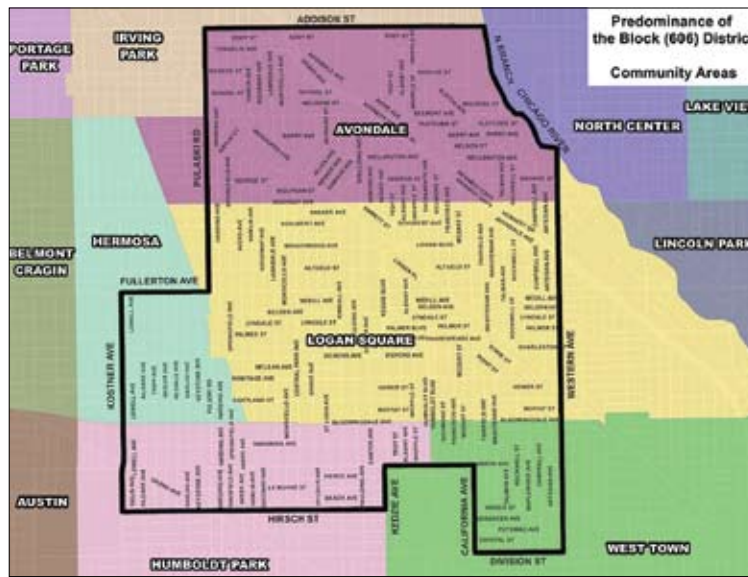
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nance allows tenants to assign this right to third parties, and if the entity purchasing the rental property uses any public funds, they must adhere to a 30-year covenant keeping the rents at or below 60% of Area Median Income.

"Particularly appalling is the provision in the legislation allowing assignments of the tenant's right-of-first-refusal," noted Benson. "Allowing assignment opens the flood gates to all kinds of potentially unscrupulous and unethical practices."

This writer believes the private property grab by Democratic Socialists seems eerily similar to a scene in the 1965 movie "Doctor Zhivago."

During the communist revolution in Russia in 1917, wealthy property owners were told their mansions were too big for one family. The properties were confiscated by the Bolshevik forces, led by Vladimir Lenin, that overthrew the Czar. The confiscated homes were used to house the rising working class.



Avondale and Logan Square on the Northwest Side are ground zero for a new City Hall experiment to legislate tenants having the first right of refusal for rental properties going up for sale.

Most every Russian came to fear, and hate the Bolsheviks.

Veteran real estate investors believe that gentrification is a natural process that renews inner-city neighborhoods and helps build middle-class family wealth, while expanding the real estate tax base.

Members of NBOA said the

organization is developing both legislative and legal strategies to fight implementation of the Northwest Side Housing Preservation Ordinance.

As the Russians found out, as the loss of property rights happened in one community, it soon spread and happened to all communities.



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Anti-Gentrification Ordinance timetable

The tenants' first right-of-first-refusal time frame for the Northwest Preservation Ordinance is outlined as to two units: 30-day notice required prior to sale, 15 days to exercise right-of-first-refusal. Three-four Units: 30-day notice required prior to sale, 30 days to exercise right-of-first-refusal. Five units or more: 60-day notice required prior to sale, 90 days to exercise right-of-first-refusal.

The time frame to close the sales transaction if tenants exercise right-of-first-refusal: give units or more, 120 days to exercise right-of-first-refusal.

One to four units is 60 days to exercise right-of-first-refusal.

Groups fighting Anti-Gentrification Ordinance

The Neighborhood Building Owners Alliance represents and advocates for the following Chicagoland neighborhood building owners associations:

- Edgewater Uptown Builders Assoc.
- Greater Austin Development Assoc.
- Lakeview Developers Assoc.
- Latino Real Estate Investors Council
- Lincoln Park Builders of Chicago
- Northwest Side Building Coalition
- Rogers Park Builders Group
- South Side Community Investment Assoc.
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- Southwest Housing Providers
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BY MARIA PAPPAS

Cook County property owners can sign up for eBilling for themselves or family members to receive property tax bills via email instead of print copies by snail mail.

The eBilling option offers the convenience of allowing spouses to each receive copies of tax bills or multiple adult siblings to all receive copies of their parents' tax bills.

An eBill is an electronic bill sent by email. You can sign up for eBilling at cookcountytreasurer.com. Once you sign up:

- The paper bill will stop coming to your home mailbox

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Setting up an account is easy. There is no fee. You will be asked for your name, an email address, a phone number and a 14-digit Property Index Number. You will be asked to enter a password and agree to eBilling terms and conditions. You will be asked to reply to an email to confirm your registration and activate your account.

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Once you sign up for eBilling, you will be notified via email when your next installment bill is available for review online. People who use eBilling can receive their bills sooner than taxpayers who get printed bills through the mail.

If a mortgage company manages an escrow account and pays

your property tax bill on your behalf, you can still sign up for eBilling. The eBilling program gives you important information about your taxes but does not affect your mortgage company's ability to pay.

If you own multiple properties in Cook County you can enroll up to 10 Property Index Numbers under a single eBilling account. If you want to change the email address on your eBilling account, simply log in and update your information.

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Maria Pappas

Crosstown Classic: North Side wins again

Chicago neighborhoods see unequal housing restrictions

BY LYLENA ASTATINE
Center for Poverty Solutions

As the drumbeat over affordable housing pounds away locally and nationally, the current Chicago ordinance on separate residences on the same lot now favors the North Side, while putting extra limits on the Southeast, South and West sides that hinder development. Those areas are with some of the greatest need.

Chicago did not allow the construction of additional dwelling units until 2020, but the change was limited to certain areas and fails to encourage their development in the areas where they may be most needed.

The 2020 Additional Dwelling Units Ordinance was passed allowing granny flats or in-law suites in select pilot areas, but perpetuates inequality by imposing stricter regulations on the South, Southeast and West pilot areas.

That has stifled growth of housing that could provide new income sources for homeowners and increase housing availability for lower-income Chicagoans.

Additional dwelling units are small independent living areas typically added to the same lot where a primary residence exists. They can be a conversion unit within the house – in a basement or attic – attached to the building or separate, such as a coach house or a loft apartment over a garage.

The ordinance established five small pilot areas where the dwellings are allowed to be built: North, Northwest, West, South and Southeast. Cityscape analysis has estimated the number of properties that meet eligibility criteria in each pilot area. In total, 92,322 properties might qualify for this type of housing development, with most located in the South pilot area.

However, these proportions aren't reflected in the number of permits granted in each area.

Extra restrictions on the Southeast, South and West sides make it harder to get a permit for one of the dwellings. Those limits include:

- In the North and Northwest zones, vacant lots can have coach houses constructed before a principal residence, but this is not permitted elsewhere.

Chicago's alternative housing growth

The percentage of all eligible properties within the current Chicago pilot zones for additional dwelling units compared to the percentage of all permits granted within the zones.

	% of eligible properties	% of permits
Southeast	10.9%	0.4%
South	40.4%	4.2%
West	10.3%	1.9%
Northwest	16.6%	27.1%
North	21.8%	66.4%

Chart source: Chicago Dept. of Housing, created with Datawrapper.

- In the West, South and Southeast zones, buildings with one to three units must be owner-occupied to add a conversion unit.

- In the West, South and Southeast zones, buildings must be owner-occupied to add a coach house.

- In the West, South and Southeast zones, only two additional dwelling unit permits will be issued per block per year.

Neither the city ordinance nor

the city's additional dwelling unit website provide any rationale for treating these regions differently.

While in the West, South and Southeast zones, buildings must be owner-occupied to add a conversion unit or a coach house, city data shows 61% of all pre-approved applications in the North and Northwest areas are not owner-occupied. That gives a sense of how much more housing development the West, South and Southeast pilot areas might see without these restrictions.

Other restrictions are harder to evaluate regarding the exact impact, but still limit development. There is no reason why two households on the same block can't build an additional dwelling unit on the West and South sides of Chicago but can do so in the North Side.

Additionally, with over 80% of the city's vacant lots falling in predominantly Black communities on the South and West sides, a naturally affordable solution to the housing and vacancy problems is being wasted by only allowing coach houses to

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Police host public meetings over 2025 plans for 18th and 19th Districts

Each fall, the Chicago Police Dept. hosts community conversations, inviting residents to help shape their district's strategic plan for the coming year. This year the 18th Dist. meeting will start at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17, at Moody Church, 1635 N. LaSalle.

The 19th Dist. meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 23, at Truman College, 1145 W. Wilson.

No reservations are needed. Feedback gathered informs community-driven crime reduction strategies and engagement priorities, supporting the CPD's efforts in implementing reforms outlined in the consent decree.

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Police Beat...



Indya Smith

was identified as the offender who, was involved in a verbal altercation with a 33-year-old male, pulled out a gun and shot him in the shoulder in the 5000 block of N. Broadway. Smith was placed into custody and charged accordingly.

Creeps sentenced for white slavery

A man has been sentenced to 27 years in federal prison for sex trafficking and facilitating the sex trafficking of multiple women. Kendall Guyton admitted in a plea agreement that he recruited three women to engage in commercial sex acts from 2017 to 2020.

Guyton admitted that he advertised commercial sex acts online and arranged for the victims to meet individuals in various locations in the Chicago area. He provided the victims with illicit drugs, including heroin or cocaine, and often beat his victims to force them to comply with his demands.

The government presented evidence that Guyton facilitated the trafficking of at least five other victims, including a minor, by beating and sexually assaulting them. Guyton, 29, pleaded guilty last year to one count of sex trafficking by force, fraud, and coercion. U.S. District Judge Sara L. Ellis imposed the 27-year sentence during a Sept. 26 hearing in federal court in Chicago.

Co-defendant Gregory Ingram, 45, also pleaded guilty to his role in the trafficking of multiple victims, including a minor whom he invited to live in his home while he trafficked her. Ingram controlled the 14-year-old victim using drugs and threats of harm. Judge Ellis in May sentenced Ingram to 20 years in federal prison.

Man charged after two chain snatchings near Navy Pier

Cops have arrested another man in connection with a string of necklace-snatching robberies that have occurred downtown over the past three weeks. But the thefts continue, with yet another incident reported Oct. 3.

On Oct. 2, two women were targeted in separate jewelry snatchings outside a lakefront cafe near Navy Pier. A Chicago police spokesperson said both robberies were reported in the 500 block of E. Grand, one around 2:36 p.m. and the other between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

In one case, a 32-year-old woman told police she was outside when two men "approached and grabbed her personal belongings," according to the spokesperson. The men fled with her property, which we have been told was a necklace.

The other woman, listed in a police report as 23 or 24 years old, told police that she was outside when a man took property that she had sitting next to her. Exactly what was taken is not clear. Witnesses reported that the men fled the scene on Divvy bikes.

Police arrested one suspect, 18-year-old Alex Latacunga, in connection with one of yesterday's incidents. He was released from police custody after being charged with misdemeanor or theft.

On Sept. 26, another woman was targeted by a necklace-snatcher near Dearborn and Jackson in the Loop. At

about 4:15 p.m., a man ripped off her necklace and ran toward Van Buren St., according to preliminary information.

An officer who handled the call said the robber was a Black male in his 20s wearing a black puffy coat, black jogging pants, and a white t-shirt.

Two more chain snatchings were reported Sept. 29, one on the lakefront and another in the Loop.

Shortly after 5 p.m., several people reported seeing two men riding an e-bike along the lakefront trail, with the passenger trying to snatch gold chains from people's necks. The duo successfully took at least one chain, pulling it from a woman's neck just north of Armitage on the lakefront bike path.

An officer who reviewed CPD surveillance video reported that the thieves escaped by riding the bike across the North Avenue Beach pedestrian bridge. The officer said they were Hispanic men on a black electric bike, with the driver wearing a black hat, a black sweatshirt, and black pants. The passenger wore a black hat, black jacket, and blue jeans. Witnesses said they appeared to be in their 20s.

A similar robbery was reported just after 7 p.m. in the Loop. A Hispanic man in his late teens or early 20s riding a blue Divvy snatched a woman's chain from her neck near 400 S. State. He was last seen heading east on Ida B. Wells.

Just after 5 p.m. Sept. 28, a man snatched the necklace from a woman's neck near the 100 block of S. Clinton and fled the scene. He was described as Black or Indian with a tattoo over one eye. He wore a gray hoodie and black pants and had a black sling bag over his chest.

On Sept. 27, a woman was mugged near the Shedd Aquarium by a man who used the same technique. He escaped on a bike. An officer who responded to the scene said the robber was a Black man in his mid-20s, standing 5'-8" to 5'-10" tall and wearing black clothing.

On Sept. 21, police arrested Anthony Lay-Alvarado after a woman's necklace was snatched in the 900 block of W. Weed. Prosecutors said Laya-Alvarado and an accomplice escaped on a motorized bike and ran away when police moved in. Cops caught Laya-Alvarado, but the other guy got away.

Despite the growing number of cases, Chicago police have not issued public warnings about the crime pattern.

Man murdered in Uptown alley

A man was shot and killed in an Uptown alley on Oct. 1, according to Chicago police. He is the first person murdered in the neighborhood this year.

Around 7:39 p.m., police responded to a call from an injured man on the ground and found the victim in an alley behind the 900 block of W. Eastwood. He had a single gunshot wound near his right upper hip.

Based on a preliminary investigation, police suspected the man was shot about 30 minutes before anyone called 911. A surveillance video showed a man running from the alley and jumping into a silver car parked in a nearby McDonald's lot. The vehicle fled the scene.

The victim, who was wearing a sombrero at the time of the shooting, remained unidentified as of Oct. 2. He is the neighborhood's first murder victim of 2024 and the 11th individual shot in Uptown this year.

Sparks fly, windows shatter during shootout near Howard CTA station

A shootout near the Howard CTA station on Sept. 30 left bullet holes in cars and shattered windows in business storefronts, but no injuries were reported. It happened at the same spot where a man was essentially executed in the middle of Howard St.



Police are trying to locate this man in connection with a sex crime involving children.

Cops seek man who committed sex crime with kids on North Side

Police need help finding a man who committed a sex crime involving two children in West Rogers Park.

The kids were in the 6200 block of N. Maplewood when the man approached them around 5:53 p.m., according to CPD. He "performed an indecent act" in their presence, left, and then returned to the scene, police said in a community alert. By the time he

earlier this year.

A surveillance video shared with this reporter shows the shootout in the 1600 block of W. Howard around 10:25 p.m. The events unfolded very quickly.

The video starts with two men standing next to a bike at the mouth of an alley at the top of the screen. A third man approaches from the left. The ensuing shootout will involve the approaching man and the man standing in the alley next to the wall.

When the approaching man, who is gripping his right waistband, gets within about 15 or 20 feet of the alley, the first gunman pulls out a firearm and starts shooting at him.

The intended target quickly turns and runs for cover behind parked cars on the opposite side of Howard St. Down the street, many people can be seen running for safety as shots are fired.

As soon as the would-be victim emerges on the sidewalk behind parked cars, a gun is already visible in his hands. He fires shot after shot at the initial gunman, who has either fallen or taken cover behind the bicycle at the mouth of the alley.

Sparks fly off Howard St. as bullets strike the pavement, one after another.

The first gunman cautiously rises to his feet and backs up quickly while firing at the other man.

Probably not coincidentally, the murder that took place at the same location on June 17 involved somewhat similar circumstances

As the victim in that case, 38-year-old Antoine Williams, stepped from the sidewalk into Howard St. near the alley, a hooded gunman quietly emerged from the alley behind him.

When Williams reached the yellow lines in the middle of Howard St., the gunman sprinted from the alley and shot him at point-blank range in the head. Williams died at the scene.

The murderer ran back into the alley and fled in the same direction as the initial shooter in the Sept. 30 gunfight.

No arrests have been made in Williams' murder or Monday's incident.

Rogers Park was never monitored by ShotSpotter when the city contracted with the gunfire detection company. That didn't stop the neighborhood's alderman, Ald. Maria Hadden [49th], from casting votes against resolutions that could extend the company's contract.

The vast majority of the city's aldermen, including most who represent wards that had ShotSpotter, wanted to keep the system in place. Many of the aldermen who voted against it, like Hadden, never had the opportunity to see firsthand how the system

got back, the children had already gone inside, and he walked away, heading south on Maplewood.

The alert said the man is Hispanic or White and 35 to 45 years old.

CPD's Special Investigations Unit is handling the case. They can be reached at 312-492-3810 regarding case #JH-449091. You can also submit information via CPDTIP.com.

worked.

In an email explaining her latest "no" vote last week, Hadden said she was "disappointed" that Mayor Brandon Johnson did not have a plan in place when he nixed ShotSpotter's contract.

The lack of a plan created a "public safety gap that was created by terminating the contract," Hadden wrote. "I've implored the Mayor to consider a short extension at the discount being offered by ShotSpotter while moving forward with [bids to find an] alternative technology that can more comprehensively and accurately address public safety."

Exactly why Hadden would be "disappointed" that the city discontinued a technology that she does not support is unclear. Either it works and should stay in place, or it doesn't and it should be removed. But Hadden seems to be saying the technology works and should be kept until there's a replacement while also saying it doesn't work and she doesn't support its use.

Woman shot while exiting car in Edgewater, where shootings are up 260% this year

A 30-year-old woman was shot while getting out of a car in the Edgewater neighborhood on Oct. 2. The shooting occurred while police were dealing with a separate shooting aboard a Red Line train nearby, but officials say the incidents are not related in any way.

The woman was exiting a vehicle in the 5400 block of N. Winthrop when the gunman walked up and started shooting around 10:28 a.m. A bullet struck the woman in the arm. A companion drove her to Weiss Hospital for treatment.

Chicago police said the gunman ran south on Winthrop after firing the shots. He remains at large.

Earlier, around 8:48 a.m., police say a 33-year-old man was shot by a 23-year-old woman while riding the train. The woman spat at the man and began an argument before firing the gun one time, police said. He was shot in the left shoulder and is listed in fair condition at St. Francis Hospital.

The shooting occurred on a northbound train between Bryn Mawr and Thorndale. CPD confirmed that the shooter is in custody and a weapon was recovered.

It took nearly 20 minutes for first responders to locate the victim because multiple trains were stopped on the tracks. A Loyola Univ. police officer was the first to locate the victim, who was on a train stopped

Charges filed in Boystown robbery, battery cases

Charges have been filed in connection with a violent robbery and a separate battery incident on the Halsted St. nightlife strip in Boystown.

The robbery occurred around 2 a.m. Sept. 26 in the 3400 block of N. Halsted, just south of Cornelia. Police said a man was walking home when a group of people pulled on his bag strap, causing



Ali Ibrahim

him to fall to the ground. The group ran away but returned to take his bag, which contained keys, a phone and the victim's wallet, a Chicago police report said.

As the offenders fled again, one member of the group, identified by prosecutors as 28-year-old Ali Ibrahim, stopped and punched the victim in the face.

Ibrahim was arrested two days later when cops allegedly saw a second battery in progress on the same block of Halsted St. At about 9 p.m. Sept. 28, Ibrahim struck a man on the hand, causing him to drop his phone, and then punched the victim in the mouth, a second CPD report said.

Officers stepped in and detained Ibrahim, who is charged with misdemeanor battery for the second incident and felony charges of robbery and aggravated battery for the earlier incident.

Prosecutors asked Judge David Kelly to detain Ibrahim as a safety risk. The judge rejected their request and released Ibrahim to await trial.

Woman charged with attempted murder of man on L train

Indya Smith, 23, of the 1000 block of W. Leland Ave., was charged with Attempted-Murder-First Degree for a shooting on CTA Red Line train.

Smith was arrested by Loyola Univ. officers on 9:06 a.m. Oct. 2, in the 5800 block of N. Broadway. She

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Serial package thief, on parole for package theft, is charged again with stealing packages in Lakeview

BY CWBCHICAGO

A six-time convicted felon, arrested no fewer than 60 times in his adult life and on parole for stealing packages in Lakeview, is back behind bars after prosecutors accused him of stealing packages in Lakeview again.

Errick Shambley, 54, was re-

turned to the Stateville Correctional Center last week for violating his parole. But he won't be there long. Records indicate he will be released Oct. 6, the day his parole is scheduled to end.

In the latest allegations, officials said Shambley stole packages belonging to two residents of a building in the 2900 block of N. Halsted over the summer. Chicago cops recently arrested him to face charges after the building's property manager saw Shambley at a nearby Starbucks and flagged down a passing patrol car.

He has faced charges for pack-

age theft in the 2900 block of N. Halsted at least three times since 2018.

Last October, Judge Shelley Sutker-Dermer gave Shambley a two-year sentence after he pleaded guilty to stealing packages from a complex in the 3300 block of N. Ashland. The prosecutor who handled that case said he posed as an Amazon worker and rang the building's buzzers until someone



Errick Shambley

let him in.

Police arrested Shambley in 2019 after identifying him as the burglar responsible for package thefts from the 2900 block of N. Racine and the 1100 block of W. Wolfram during Christmas 2018. Police also accused him of stealing three packages from a home in the 2900 block of N. Halsted the previous summer. That's the same block where the latest burglaries allegedly occurred. He pleaded guilty in one case and received probation. Prosecutors dropped the other charges.

Shambley received a 60-day

jail sentence in September 2018 for stealing packages from the 2900 block of N. Halsted and the 3700 block of N. Bosworth. That year, he also received probation for stealing a package from the 800 block of W. Buckingham.

His previous prison sentences include a pair of two-year sentences for theft in 2016, three-years for burglary in 2007, one year for narcotics in 2005, and three years for manufacture-delivery of a controlled substance in 1994.

Cannabis industry seeks federal action on unregulated hemp products

Regulatory loopholes create public health concerns

BY DRE CARLAN

Congress legalized hemp-derived products nationwide with the 2018 Farm Bill when it removed hemp from the Controlled Substances Act. However, several states—including Illinois—which have legalized marijuana are prepared to revisit the decision.

There is growing demand for a federal review on the legalization of hemp-derived products, even as Chicago and Illinois cannabis operators seem to be looking away from those selling unregulated hemp products of questionable origin.

"High Stakes" is a recently released documentary which sheds light on a little-known loophole found in the 2018 Farm Bill which inadvertently legalized dangerous synthetic marijuana nationwide. The unregulated, untested THC products which have freely entered the market have been the cause of over 100 deaths (according to CDC.gov), and the documentary's filmmaker—Rob Rosen—states that "there are a lot of cases of people who have had psychotic breaks or whose hearts

were racing or stopped beating so, these are dangerous products."

These products are now for sale at retail outlets in every North Side neighborhood.

Helping to elevate this new push for federal regulation on legalized cannabis are the studies conducted by independent organizations which also focus on possible solutions to the nationwide problem. The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine—a collective of private, nonprofit institutions that provide independent, objective analysis and advice to inform national public policy decisions (NationalAcademies.org)—recently published a new report which includes several actions that Congress and federal agencies can take to prevent further issues stemming from current cannabis policy and how it impacts public health.

Topping the list of bullet points was to close regulatory loopholes for hemp-derived cannabinoids. The report states that "the booming industry for unregulated hemp-derived products is of particular concern." Cannabis public health campaigns coupled with best practices for cannabis policies could also help decrease the usage of synthetic cannabinoids



in vulnerable populations. Youth and senior citizens alike are especially at risk when it comes to the consumption of these products, particularly when using it in combination with alcohol or tobacco.

Alongside suggestions for federal policy, the report also listed possible actions at the state level as well. These included required training for staff - which would only allow certified professionals to interact with customers at cannabis retail outlets - as well as the automatic expunging of criminal records for low-level cannabis-related offenses.

However, the primary issue remains with rogue retailers who are selling cannabis-like products such as Kratom and Delta-8

which, while the National Institute on Drug Abuse states is currently legal, also warns that the products may contain harmful contaminants such as heavy metals and harmful bacteria.

While most of the problems arise from synthetic cannabinoids with dangerous additives, the hemp-derived beverage industry is also being targeted to the dismay of several craft brewers in the Chicago area. According to an article by TheCenterSquare.com, Ray Stout—Executive Director of The Illinois Craft Brewers Guild—said that "they're going after the bad actors and the Delta-8 gas station people but in essence they're going after the entire hemp industry."

The same article quotes libertarian think tank Reason Foundation's Geoffrey Lawrence and Michelle Minton who say that "state regulations governing hemp products vary widely and are unevenly enforced, creating a patchwork of rules that can change dramatically from one state to the next. This piecemeal approach leaves consumers at risk, strains state resources, and hampers the ability for even willing actors to comply with state rules."

Perhaps one of the more under-

stated suggestions of the National Academies report comes in the form of allowing further research. It puts forth that "Congress should remove the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy's restrictions on studying the legalization of cannabis." Ultimately, the more knowledge consumers have, the better the solutions will be.

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question to Hoover's defense attorney, who had just argued that the Gangster Disciples street gang is now a "splintered, disorganized group with no hierarchy," and that prosecutors simply feed the "mythology" of Hoover to keep him locked up. The gang war now underway on the North Side suggests it's more than myth.

ATTENDE GOURMOND: Pheasant Pie has returned to Tortoise Supper Club on N. State St. for the month of October. It's matchless.

JOFFREY: The Joffrey Ballet has received a historic \$5 million gift from Lake Forest-based Grainger Foundation to support the next generation of ballet and endow and rename the Joffrey Academy of Dance, the Official School of The Joffrey Ballet; announced by The Joffrey Ballet Board of Directors, the Joffrey Academy of Dance will assume the name of Grainger Academy of The Joffrey Ballet.

RECORD: Porchlight's ICONS Gala brunch celebrating Raúl Esparza, held at The Ritz-Carlton Chicago at Water Tower Place, broke all previous Gala fundraising records, raising more than \$200,000. Bravo to artistic director Michael Weber, music directed Linda Madonia, WGN's Paul Lisnek and Justin Kono.

TRES BONNE: Obelix, the exquisite French restaurant at 700 N. Sedgewick, has announced that their pastry chef is now taking orders for croissants and French pastries. Order on Thursdays and pick up your order on Saturdays.

ARRIVEDERCI: Debi Catenacci, the Gold Coast biscotti chef, is off to Alba, Italy, traveling with her fellow Knights, in the Order of the Knights of the Truffle and Wines of Alba, the Chicago Delegation, visiting the wineries of the King of wines, "Barolo" and foraging in the woods with a white truffle Hunter and his dogs. But not before joining Lezley Hodes to celebrate social maven, Chicago writer, Sherrill Bodine's birthday. Sherrill is an everlasting force for harmonious good in Chicago. We know the bubbly flowed.

BID ADIEU: It was standing room only at the May chapel on Saturday in Rosehill Cemetery as all of Chicago came out to show their love and respect for Chilli Pepper. She touched the hearts of everyone, the real Chicagoans, the tried and true who saw in her adventures and gentility a kindred soul. How mysterious and healing such love is. Never a boast or a brag, just the salt of God's earth mending what was broken and in need of a friend. She is now in safe and sturdy hands forever.

HEALTH UPDATE: Denise Tomasello reports she is so grateful for all of her loving friends and fans and all their good wishes.

ELEGANT TRAVELS: Liz Howard reports from rainy Rome of toasts in Tuscany and an outstanding Oktoberfest, golf cart tours, hairpin turns up the hills, Francesca and meter pizza, wine tasting and making, driving thru the vines, Sabatini gin and gorgeous views.

WHO'S WHERE: Bobbi Panter and Matt Arnoux hosted a French themed dinner party to

celebrate the joint birthdays of Myra Reilly and Bruce Haas with John Reilly and Phillip Emigh, and Chef Francis of Chicago's Vendador preparing a delicious custom menu... Jim Rose, former sportscaster and director for ABC7, hosted a birthday party in Paris for his wife, interior designer Lakesha Rose, with many from Chicago joining them to celebrate, including Bobbi Panter and Matt Arnoux, who also joined The Roses in the south of France... Neal Robin was very excited when he got a hole-in-one at Flossmoor Golf Club last week,



Candace Jordan and Maria Pappas

with parents, Linda and Richard Robin. His accomplishment of 130 yards, with a gap wedge, landing slam-dunk in the hole with no bounce... triumphant Irene Michaels honored to have appeared in New York with such cool names on Broadway, meanwhile, husband Army Garant opened a new play in Soho London, excitement everywhere on both sides of the Atlantic. The Press has been calling them "The Power Couple of Chicago"... Artist Rosemary Fanti giving thanks, blessed to be the daughter of her mother Dolores, and the daughter-in-law of the late-great Mary. And let's not forget that love is what it's about on Daughter Day... Tom Hackett says, "Tokyo, you are impressing me," at the Tokyo Station Hotel... Bravo to Flavia and Chris Magdalan on their 12th wedding anniversary, now parenting children smart, reasoned and beautiful. Flavia, of course, the major domo at Hugo's Frog Bar... Pennie Taylor and Eamonn Cummins with friends Bill Raines and Penny O'Brien at their last visit to Wrigley Field for the Cubs 2024 Campaign. The Cubs lost while Eamonn got hit in the right shoulder by a foul ball without spilling the beer in his left hand, so it was a typical day at Wrigley... Love the painting of chanteuses Barb Bailey by Rosemary Fanti... Father Bill Corcoran, South Suburban Vicar, joining his sister, Noreen Williams, at the Lyric Opera for Giuseppe Verdi's Rigoletto... Kiel James Patrick McKivergan is a swell pal, besides the successful "preppy" catalogue business, he's an excellent photographer and has a new photo book of Newport and New England seaside living, especially "Bennie" the family pooch.

BIRTHDAY: Jennifer Sutton Brieva at Mondelli's L'Escarole singing "Happy Birthday" to hus-

band, Dr. Joaquin Brieva, "adore you, Joaquin, and am grateful for every day we have together... yes even the bad ones."

SOUP: This columnist had a fabulous dinner at Hugo's when Thursday's Bookbinder Soup is featured along with loads of half-priced oysters and Chicago's finest Fish and Chips is offered, all served by Brendan Kirkwood, who has a knack for fashioning memorable dinner designs, bringing the perfect French Rose. Steve Lombardo stopped by and partner Johnny Coletti table-hopped as well for a bit of a chin wag... met Ald. Brendan Riley [42nd], all svelte and trim, on his way to special opening bash across the street for Phil Stefani's Tavern on Rush soiree. Riley is a wise political powerhouse of a politician.

CARDS AND LETTERS: We got lots of notes on last week's column on our use of the word "Jew," here's a sampling:

Rhonda Sanderson: Bravo for having the guts to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth in Sept. 25 issue of Skyline about our awful Mayor Brandon Johnson. If you haven't read it and you live in Chicago, it's a must read.

Felicia Dechter: You have made my day calling this out, thank you. Your best yet.

Tobina Kahn: Thank you for calling it out.

Debra Lynne Harris: I loved this post. You're a brilliant writer with a good heart.

Mark Olley: I agree, you and Skyline are one of the few newspapers that are tackling local hard news stories. God bless. And I say this as a former owner of a newspaper myself... thank you to the team at Skyline.

Bonnie Spurlock: Where's the other media?

Myra Reilly: BRAVO! You spoke for all of us.

Dr. Sandy Goldberg: This the best piece you have ever written. I am in awe.

Cynthia Olson: Wonderful article and so ridiculous that we can't use the word "Jew." I can't even use it in a word game that I play online. Facebook removed the sentence and issued me a warning. I think that the banning of the word "Jew" makes it derogatory where it isn't in everyday language.

Candace Jordan: Just wanted to tell you how moved I am over your opening essay. So well said and so infuriating. Thanks for speaking the truth at any cost.

John Chambers: You nailed that socialist Mayor again! Talk about the Dumbing Down of America. Universities without walls taught by refugees from the 60's and look what we have two generations later. You are the only reporter that speaks the truth. Maybe the only one left!

Howard Suskin: Thank you for your support for the Jewish community in your column. In these troubling times, I am grateful to have allies like you who have our backs.

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Vienna Beef to create \$20M plaza for outdoor events

The term “Hot dog!” has become an adjective describing a surprise in a fun way. And that’s what Chicago’s own Vienna Beef plans to do with a new \$20 million plaza coming to Fullerton and Elston.

The plaza was built at the site of the company’s old factory and will include the hot dog giant’s corporate offices, stores, and a restaurant. While Vienna’s employees have since moved in, the plan calls for an opening in the first half of 2025. The company was established in 1893 after being part of the World’s Columbian Exposition, held in Chicago to mark the 400th anniversary of

Christopher Columbus’s arrival in America.

The Vienna Beef factory relocated from Bucktown in 2015 and moved to Bridgeport where a new Factory Store opened the next year. The North Side space had remained vacant since 2020 after city planners reshaped the intersection. At one point, a golf store and driving range had considered the space, but realized a golf driving range was a bad fit for the area.

Vienna’s overall project footprint will be about 150,000 square feet.

Last year, the company undertook extensive renovations to the

property, including adding the new store and restaurant, which are still in progress, said Taylor Hourihan, vice president of marketing. “Construction on the remaining parts of the plaza is well underway, and we are excited to open other elements in the future.”

Vienna hasn’t officially announced their plaza plans, but visitors may expect the facility to celebrate the history of hot dogs with exhibits and multimedia displays.

Plans show a small patio with a few picnic tables, and a pocket park, which can serve as an area where Vienna could hold small events or concerts.



Supporters out front of The Women & Children First Bookstore in Andersonville.

Women & Children First Bookstore, they’re #1

The Women & Children First Bookstore, 5233 N. Clark St, has been named the first-ever recipient of the Great Lakes Bookstore of the Year Award, presented by the Great Lakes Independent Booksellers Association. This award recognizes outstanding achievement in bookselling and community engagement across the Great Lakes region.

The award will be presented to store owners Lynn Mooney and Sarah Hollenbeck, during the Heartland Fall Forum in October, an annual conference celebrating independent bookstores and the vibrant literary culture of the Midwest.

Founded in 1979, Women & Children First has been a Chicago staple for over four decades.

Celebrate Filipino history, Edgewater Library to host Oct. 12 reception

Who knew? Chicago boasts one of the largest and most vibrant groups of Filipino Americans in the U.S. Many of these individuals live in the Uptown, Edgewater, and Rogers Park neighborhoods.

To celebrate Filipino American History Month, a reception will be held 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, in the Betty A. Barclay Community Room on the second floor of the Edgewater Library, 6000 N. Broadway.

Reservations are recommended; to register for this event, email edgewater@chipublib.org.

Created by the founder of the Filipino American National Historical Society, Dr. Dorothy Laigo Cordova, and her husband Dr. Fred

Cordova, in 1992, Filipino American History Month commemorates the first recorded presence of Filipinos in the USA, when the “Luzones Indios” arrived on Oct. 18, 1857, landing at Morro Bay, CA.

Guests at the reception will be treated to a program featuring Consul General J. Susana V. Paez of the Philippine Consulate General in Chicago, who will bestow a gift to the Chicago Public Library on behalf of the people of the Philippines.

Ald. Leni Manaa-Hoppenworth [48th], the first Filipina elected



Consul General J. Susana V. Paez

to the Chicago City Council, will speak on her experiences as a Filipina American activist. In addition, the Filipino American Historical Society of Chicago will give a presentation on local Filipino history.

Chicago-based Filipino American authors Rey de la Cruz who wrote *Ballesteros on My Mind* and Zee Lacson who wrote *Twice Removed* will read from their books.

Refreshments from local Filipino bakeries and specialty shops will follow the presentations.

The Philippine Consulate General in Chicago presents this commemorative event in partnership with the Chicago Public Library, the Filipino American Historical Society, the Philippine Film Development Counsel, Ald. Manaa-Hoppenworth, and Friends of the Edgewater Library.

There also are other opportunities to experience Filipino American history at screenings of the film “Sonata,” a drama featuring Filipina actress Cherie Gil.

The film may be viewed at the following libraries: Uptown Branch of the Chicago Public Library, 929 W. Buena Ave., on Sunday, Oct. 13 (2:30-4:30 p.m.) and at the Edgewater Branch, 6000 N. Broadway on Sunday, Oct. 20 (2-4 p.m.)

Films are free and registration is not necessary.

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short of the Thorndale station.

Some passengers detained the woman until police arrived. Other passengers bailed out of the train and walked down the elevated tracks while the third rail remained electrified.

CPD recovered a firearm at the scene and arrested the woman. Charges are pending.

As of Oct. 2, 18 people have been shot in Edgewater this year; that’s up from five for all of 2023 and ten for all of 2022. Notably, seven of this year’s 16 victims were shot in six different incidents at a single housing complex in the 6000 block of N. Kenmore.

Man shot, critically injured in Rogers Park

A man was shot and critically injured in Rogers Park on Oct. 7, Chicago police said. According to officers, he did not cooperate with CPD’s investi-

gation before heading into surgery.

Police responded to over 20 calls of shots fired near the intersection of Morse and Greenview around 5:15 a.m. They did not find anyone in the area, but the victim walked into St. Francis Hospital in Evanston a short time later with a gunshot wound to his back.

Officers went to the hospital to learn more about what happened, but said he refused to provide any details.

Earlier in the morning, police responded to calls of a group hanging out on the street and a party in the area where the man was shot. It’s unclear if those incidents are related to the shooting.

So far this year, 20 people have been shot in Rogers Park, down from 29 at this point last year. Comparable periods in 2022 and 2021 had 24 and 17 victims, respectively.

— Compiled by CWBChicago.com

Lincoln Park Spooktacular returns Oct. 26-27

Spooktacular returns with double the fun for a full weekend of tricks and treats in Lincoln Park, Oct. 26 and 27.

Lincoln Ave. and Clark St. businesses will embrace the spooky season and transform into trick-or-treat stops.

Spooktacular on Lincoln Ave. will be held 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, October 26, on Lincoln

Ave. from Webster to Diversey. Guests may also stop by the plaza at Lincoln Common, 2335 N. Lincoln, for a special Halloween celebration.

Spooktacular on Clark St. will be held 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 27, on Clark from Armitage to Diversey and along Diversey from Lakeview to Orchard.

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New dashboard will focus on opioid, gun, temperature-related deaths

Last week Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle and Medical Examiner [ME] unveiled the Medical Examiner Case Archives Dashboard. The dashboard provides direct access to information about opioid-related, gun-related and temperature-related deaths.

The ME's office worked with the Bureau of Technology's Geographic Information Systems team to create the new dashboard. The dashboard allows users to access a range of demographic information for Cook County residents who've died as a result of opioid, gun or temperature-related deaths, including age, gender, race and ethnicity.

Visitors to the dashboard can also pinpoint which neighborhoods are experiencing higher death rates, seeing the number and dates of death in those areas.

"We harness the demographics of our County – the populations and the regions in which they live – and apply our analytical skills to help agencies provide critical information to the public," said Cook County Chief Information Officer Tom Lynch.

The dashboard also allows users to filter data by municipality within Cook County, and to sort

opioid-related, gun-related and temperature-related deaths using existing case archive maps.

Drug overdose and shootings are the two greatest causes of unnatural deaths in Cook County, and many are also the preventable. "Cook County's Black and Brown communities are most impacted by these deaths," said President Preckwinkle. "The goal here is not to build dashboards with frightening statistics. The goal is to make the need for these dashboards obsolete."

In 2023, Black and Latino residents comprised 72% of the 1,821 opioid-related deaths and 86% of the 942 gun-related deaths in Cook County.

"It is our responsibility to share as much information about these victims as possible so that our partners in public health and law enforcement as well as policymakers and advocacy organizations can develop treatments, protocols and legislation that can help to curb these deaths," said Dr. Ponni Arunkumar, Cook County's Chief ME.

To use the dashboard, visit <https://maps.cookcountyil.gov/medexammaps/>.

Luncheon debate Oct. 10 on Middle East conflicts

The Chicago Lawyers Chapter of The Federalists Society are hosting a lunch and debate on the state of the conflict in Israel, Gaza, and the increasing regional escalations.

The event will be held at noon, Thursday, Oct. 10, at the Union League Club, Room 830, at 65 W. Jackson Blvd. Ticket prices include lunch and are \$20 for stu-

dents, and \$50 for all others. To register, visit <https://fedsoc.org/>.

The speakers include Douglas Bandow, Senior Fellow and Policy Scholar of the Cato Institute; Robert Pape, Professor Dept. of Political Science, The Univ. of Chicago, and Liam Collins, Executive Director, Madison Policy Forum.

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be developed in vacant lots before primary residences on the North and Northwest sides of town.

Nearly five years ago, the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development launched an investigation into the city of Chicago's use of aldermanic prerogative to prevent housing development. These additional dwelling unit restrictions have a similar effect, making housing development harder, particularly in these historically disadvantaged communities.

During the past four years, applications for the dwellings from the Southeast, South, and West zones have been pre-approved at a lower rate (respectively 25%, 18%, 17%) than in the North Side (71%) and Northwest (27%) zones. The same patterns are reflected in the number of permits attained by those pre-approved.

While pre-approval is a self-

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reported online form, permitting requires additional inspections and financing, sometimes taking over 100 days and up to \$2,000. Regional restrictions, on top of these costs, make dwelling development unaffordable in the communities that need it most.

City leaders could expand the original Additional Dwelling Unit Ordinance to cover the entire city. Removing these restrictions may be fairer to property owners and developers on the South and West sides of the city.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION TOWD POINT MASTER FUNDING TRUST 2017-FRE2 Plaintiff vs. SHARON A. RINALDI, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, PARK PLACE TOWER CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS GENERALLY, AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendant 22 CH 2221 CALENDAR 63 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 October 30, 2024, at the hour 11:00 a.m., Intercounty's office, 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, IL 60602, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate: P.I.N. 14-21-101-054-1681; 14-21-101-047-2503. Commonly known as 655 W. Irving Park Rd., Unit 4601 and B-200, Chicago, IL 60613. 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% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Altman, Strautins & Kromm, LLC d/b/a Kluever Law Group, 200 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1880, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (312) 236-0077. SPS001302-22FC1 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com 13252112 252525

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS INC. Plaintiff, vs. BLAIR SCHLADER, ORCHARD COURT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, CAPITAL ONE, N.A., UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 2023 CH 08952 2636 N ORCHARD ST, APT 1F CHICAGO, IL 60614 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on July 31, 2024, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on November 4, 2024, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 2636 N ORCHARD ST, APT 1F, CHICAGO, IL 60614 Property Index No. 14-28-303-099-1003 The real estate is improved with a residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds or 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 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

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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, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876 THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.jscc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE IL, 60527 630-794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@ilcslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-23-06336 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Attorney Code. 21762 Case Number: 2023 CH 08952 T.J.S.C#: 44-2241 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 2023 CH 08952 13252893

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FREDDIE MAC SEASONED CREDIT RISK TRANSFER TRUST, SERIES 2018-3 Plaintiff vs. RYAN J. DITTER A/K/A RYAN DITTER, THIRD FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION OF CLEVELAND, UNKNOWN OWNERS GENERALLY, AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendant 24 CH 1628 CALENDAR 64 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION HSBC BANK USA, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR MERRILL LYNCH MORTGAGE INVESTORS TRUST SERIES MLCC 2006-2 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES Plaintiff, vs. LAWRENCE D. RYAN, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, HARRIS, N.A. SUCCESSOR IN TRUST TO HARRIS TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 2022 CH 11951 1930 N. HOWE STREET CHICAGO, IL 60614 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on April 22, 2024, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 21, 2024, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described

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real estate: Commonly known as 1930 N. HOWE STREET, CHICAGO, IL 60614 Property Index No. 14-33-302-065-0000 & 14-33-302-066-0000 The real estate is improved with a single family residence. The judgment amount was \$1,491,564.97. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds or 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. Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, the right to redeem does not arise, there shall be no right of redemption. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g)-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the

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6820L- Mantu, Musa
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This sale is to be held on Tuesday, October 29, 2024 at 2:00PM. Cash payments only.

Notice of Public Sale

Pro Self Storage intends to enforce its lien on certain self-service Storage Spaces in default listed below on the 16th of October, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. at 3632 E. Lake Ave. Wilmette, IL 60091 at www.storage-treasures.com with the sale to conclude no earlier than 12:00 p.m.
85 Jordan Rich
This public sale will result in the goods being sold to the highest bidder. The winning bidder must pay by cash at the time he/she is declared the winning bidder. Certain terms and conditions apply; see the Manager for additional details.

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507B Rachel Jacobi
303 Daniel Perez
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1116 Delisa Newell
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Notice of Public Sale

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The race will begin promptly at 8 a.m., followed by the Family Fun Fest and other activities. All events will take place at 1310 S. Wood St. in Chicago's Illinois Medical District.

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clearing and closing encampments in public spaces, although some areas have been fenced off to discourage the formation of homeless camps.

So now a series of encampments exist underneath and adjacent to three major Uptown viaducts. While the viaducts are at least a quarter of a mile apart, the city considers them a single encampment. And any who travel on Lake Shore Dr. now can see that the population is growing and spreading out, filling in the gaps between those viaducts, out onto parklands east and west of the roadway.

Now the dog people say that after finding the heroin stash, they have notified Ald. Angela Clay [46th], and have filed a police incident report.

The truth is that many who now live in tents on the streets are there due to drug use and addictions. Shelters try hard to keep drugs out, but the city and Chicago Park District do not.

Service providers reported that drug dealers visit the camp sites because they can sell to a centralized group. Depression is a common mental health problem, but several service providers noted in the study say that people with serious and persistent mental illness tend not to live in camp settings or, if they do, often stay near the outskirts of the encampments.

(The CTA's Red Line has also long been used as a homeless shelter and complaints over drug use, smoking and the mentally ill are a constant. But unlike the homeless camps, those who ride CTA trains to escape the elements do not have a shared sense of community.)

As the homeless camps along the North Lakefront have grown, so too has the drug use problem grown, and this adds another potential threat to dogs and their owners. So people are pushing back. They are asking residents to call their local public officials and voice their concerns.

"The obvious dynamic is that water service attracts more tents," the online note

says. Like everyone else, the homeless like living on the lakefront. And area charities, soup kitchens, food banks, and mobile food vans often provide meals and beverages, including bottled water or water jugs to the homeless campers.

The truth is that many who now live in tents on the streets are there due to drug use and addictions. Shelters try hard to keep drugs out, but the city and Chicago Park District do not.

"We have suggested to the Alder that establishing a water service at a location away from dog parks, playgrounds and other high use areas might be a wise thing to do. Frankly, it would seem to be a no-brainer."

The advocates of safer parks have posted

some suggestions for mitigating the drug use going on in Lincoln Park.

They are asking like-minded people to send emails to the Chicago Park District (play@chicagoparkdistrict.com), Ald. Leni Mana-Hoppenworth [48th] in whose district Puptown is located (info@the48thward.org), and to Ald. Clay, whose district is directly across the street from Puptown (info@46thward.com).

Obviously, enforcing the Chicago Park District's 11 p.m. curfew, and police and City Hall enforcing existing vagrancy laws by moving the homeless camps to more secure locations away from the Lake Shore Dr. and the lakefront park, is a solid short-term solution. "Permanent housing should be the ultimate goal. But in the meantime, we'd love to see the families who use Puptown to be safe, and we encourage you to drop an email to the people who have the power to make it happen," their note suggests.

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as evidenced by the life expectancy gap between the homeless and housed, said Chicago Dept. of Public Health Cmsr. Dr. Olusimbo 'Simbo' Ige. "Providing supportive, stable housing with wrap-around health and social services for residents will go a long way toward improving health outcomes and allowing people to transition to stable independent housing."

Homeless people can establish residency at The Haven after a referral from one of several types of providers, such as local shelters, hospital emergency departments, police, outreach teams or the City's Crisis Assistance Response and Engagement team.

The Haven is located in the center of the new Lincoln Avenue Arts District, which

seems like an odd fit. The shelter will be fully staffed with medical, mental health and social service teams to deliver care to meet residents' needs. This includes healthcare services, individual and group therapy opportunities, active case management, transportation support, property management and security.

The architecture firm Gensler designed The Haven on Lincoln and construction will be performed by Executive Construction Inc.

The site's parking lot will reportedly become a garden with raised beds for planting lessons, flexible furniture and shaded pergolas. There was no mention of where The Haven's staff, employees, vendors and tenants will park. The Haven on Lincoln is expected to open in Summer 2025.

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30-something. We gave up the deep pass down the middle. Our defensive coordinator was calling it out, 'hey they are going to go across the middle.' But poor execution. We'll get back to practice. We'll have to figure out how to overcome that. We're three and three. We are still in control of our own destiny. We've got three great team ahead of us. We have got to just focus on going 1-0 every week."

After six games, the season is coming into focus. Obviously, each team is different every year.

This year's Vikings squad is very talented. Gjeka has always been a leader. Now he has matured into an excellent passer. Junior running back Mitchell has emerged as a dominant runner capable of taking

over games. But the Vikings are not at full strength as they have been in recent years. The Payton game slipped away. Now this Simeon game was winnable but got away.

Excuses are not what Olson does. Only after being asked about his team's injury plagued season, Olson said, "I have been coaching for 10 years. I have never had a year like this. It just seems like every week we are missing four or five key guys. Minor injuries, thank the Lord, but enough to keep them from playing."

"Every game we have played this year is winnable. We are just not making the plays when we need to. A few plays go the other way and we are right there. There is no quit here at Amundsen. We are not going to quit. We are going to get back to work. We are going to focus on Whitney Young."



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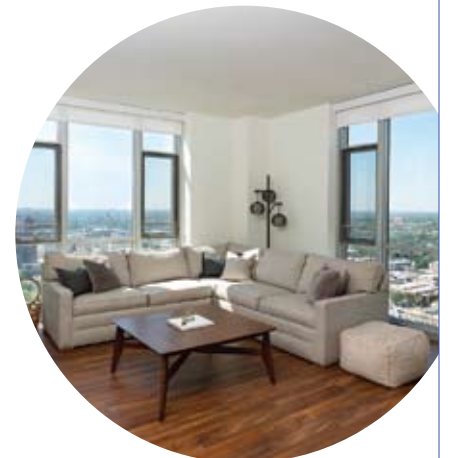
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