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Change afoot along river as new plans and new money arrive

With all the new money comes high expectations for the future of the lands surrounding the North Branch of The Chicago River.

That was the dream all along for former property owner Sterling Bay, a dream which has become their financial nightmare.

Several big deals have been announced that means the areas from Grand Ave. north to Diversey should look much different in the next decade. All the changes are in part due to the North Branch Framework, a land use plan for 760 acres along the Chicago River between Kinzie St. and Fullerton Ave.

There is of course the Bally's land-based \$1.7 billion River West casino at Chicago Ave. that

continues active construction on the main gaming floor with a target opening in early 2027, though non-gaming work is currently on hold due to a fight with City Hall over the spread of video gambling.

Construction has kicked off for the first tower of Halsted Pointe at 930 N. Halsted St. on Goose Island, on a former Greyhound maintenance facility site. Phase 1 includes a 46-story, 500-foot-tall skyscraper, followed by four other high-rises and a mid-rise, adding roughly 2,650 residential units, a hotel, office space, and riverwalk improvements.

Just north of the Pointe, the real estate firm Structured Development received city approval for

a major three-building, 487-unit residential addition to the Big Deahl development in Lincoln Park, which explicitly highlights

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proximity to the Wild Mile to enhance neighborhood recreation.

On the west side of the river, Amazon just purchased a 5-level

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Only nine years for killing man with a single punch on the Mag Mile

BY CWBCHICAGO

Henry Graham, a 52-year-old man with a lengthy arrest record who killed a man with a single punch on the Magnificent Mile, was sentenced to nine years in prison on Oct. 9, months after a judge found him guilty of involuntary manslaughter, saying state law barred him from being convicted of murder.

The state's "one punch" legal standard that spared Graham a murder conviction may surprise many, but it is well established in Illinois, where nearly a century of case law holds that a person cannot reasonably expect a single punch to kill someone. Therefore, in almost all cases, a person cannot be convicted of murder when a single punch proves fatal.

Graham's victim, Russ Long, was a 49-year-old River North resident and longtime Northern Trust employee. On June 29, 2023, he was carrying a shopping bag past the Cartier store at 630 N. Michigan Ave. when Graham quickly approached him from behind without saying a word. Graham twisted his torso backward, then thrust it forward, driving his fist into the back of Long's head, prosecutors alleged.

Long fell forward immediately, striking his head on the pavement. As Long lay bleeding on



Henry Graham (center), Russ Long (left), and the Mag Mile corner where the attack occurred on June 29, 2023.

the ground, Graham sat down on a nearby fire hydrant and stared at him for about five minutes, witnesses said. He walked away upon hearing sirens in the distance.

Two witnesses followed him until they crossed paths with a Chicago police unit. The officers detained Graham and, with their body cameras rolling, heard him admit to hitting Long and knocking him unconscious, prosecutors said. The police then let him go.

For four days, Long's friends tried in vain to get the Chicago Police Dept. to file a report about the attack. Finally, on July 2, a friend of Long's called 911 from his hospital bedside and insisted that an officer be sent to Northwestern Memorial Hospital to document the attack. Once again,

the 911 call taker refused to dispatch anyone because Long could not speak, though they eventually relented and sent a car.

Only then did CPD begin documenting and investigating what had happened to Long, who died of his injuries ten days later. An autopsy showed "severe injuries" to the left side of Long's head, prosecutors said. His frontal bone and the base of his skull were fractured.

Yet, CPD did not arrest Graham in connection with the slaying until October 25. In the nearly three months from when Chicago cops released Graham minutes after the attack and the filing of murder charges in October, Graham

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Cadillac Palace Theatre, 151 W. Randolph St.

Cadillac Palace, James M. Nederlander Theatres part of Open House Chicago

Broadway In Chicago's Cadillac Palace and James M. Nederlander Theatres are turning 100 years old.

The festivities will kick off with a birthday celebration at the Cadillac Palace Theatre, 151 W. Randolph St., 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 17, featuring a special birthday cake made by Eli's

Cheesecake. Guests are invited to take a slice while taking in all the day's activities.

Broadway In Chicago [BIC] also plans to participate in this year's Open House Chicago and the Loop Arts Fest.

Visitors will get a rare glimpse

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E-bikes will face stricter regulations under a new law signed by Gov. JB Pritzker. The law is effective Jan. 1, 2027. Photo courtesy Captured News

Unsafe on two wheels at any speed?

**A new motor bike
and scooter law**

BY DON DEBAT

Back in the 1960s, Ralph Nader, the famed consumer advocate who authored a book titled "Unsafe At Any Speed," lobbied for safer automobiles—especially against the Chevrolet Corvair and Ford Pinto.

Today, in Chicago and across Illinois, the question Nader would ask: Are people unsafe on two wheels?

As grim statistics on bicycle, electric scooter and motorcycle deaths keep piling up, the question in 2026 is how are people—especially risk-prone teenagers—going to protect themselves from getting injured or killed on two wheels?

Thankfully, Gov. JB Pritzker signed a new law governing who

can use electronic bikes and scooters, including where and how fast they can go.

Now they just need to really enforce the new laws.

The law, which establishes regulations on "micro-mobility" transportation that includes age requirements, speed limits, and rules on where they can be operated, will go into effect on Jan. 1, 2027.

Unfortunately, the law does not regulate rogue, unlicensed feral bicyclists, who some critics say are "free spirits" who do not obey basic traffic laws.

Grim scooter statistics

Deadly e-scooter and e-bike summer accidents fill the news. A 14-year-old was killed in July when he crossed in front of an SUV while riding an electronic

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Eat and drink with the season



By Thomas J. O’Gorman

What’s your favorite autumnal food? The foods you search out as you pull out that perfect sweater for a chillier meal time.

How do you feel about lamb stew? Or homemade chicken soup with noodles? Or dumplings? How about meatloaf and scalloped potatoes, Pot roast and mashed potatoes, or pork rib roast, spaetzle and red cabbage? These may just be my favorite ways to keep warm beside an Irish “bawneen” cardigan from the Aran Islands.

We’ve got to admit we are huge fans of homemade beef goulash with plenty of paprika, caraway seeds, mushrooms and sour cream to finish off the dish. Perfect with noodles and Hungarian red wine, like “Egri Bikavér,” known as “Bulls Blood of Eger.”

The fragrance while cooking will fill your house with exquisite aromas. Make sure you have enough good wine to drink while cooking. You’ll need it for sampling your recipes.

Our food should restore us. Good meats, good wines, and well-farmed herbs are all enriching.

As the seasons change and dif-

ferent foods become more plentiful, we should turn our tables into fresh places of delightful, exciting tastes and flavors of family living.

For instance, the autumn invites you to bake plenty of homemade bread. Have you ever made traditional rye bread? It’s not difficult and will make your goulash sing.

For cooking, always use the best available options. Fresh herbs and spices have freshness dates attached to them for a reason. And remember to always cook with a wine you would drink on its own.

This kitchen advice was reinforced for me, recently, when out scouting great autumnal eats. Google helped: “Who serves the best goulash in Chicago?” The response came quickly. “Laschet’s Inn, 2119 W. Irving Park Rd.”

This was no surprise to me. The old-fashioned inn nestled in the heart of the classic German Irving Park neighborhood of St. Ben’s long ago became my favorite eatery for roast duck on Sundays. In the midst of Oktoberfest, it hit the bullseye with their unrivaled goulash. Pure charm from the front door to the dynamic special Oktoberfest Hofbrau beer from Germany.

Call ahead for a reservation, we did. The place was jammed early. Every bite of the special vittles for Oktoberfest was like a trip to the Tyrol in Germany.

The big bar was packed. Several special Oktoberfest beers were flying across Laschet’s charming bar. The beer steins received heavy usage for the grandest brews.



The beer industry was essential to Chicago’s economy and growth. It provided jobs to a myriad of immigrants—in both the breweries that made the beverage and the taverns that served it.

We ordered the goulash with spaetzle and red cabbage. My friend had the special roast chicken with a tureen of home-baked cheese spaetzle. We ended the meal with a piece of Sacher torte and schnapps.

Of course the food and the staff were tops. But there was something else at work there. And that was the story of Chicago, itself, told through the dreams and sacrifice of the German immigrants who made this their home.

Chicago’s German immigrants remain the largest single group who settled here from the late 19th century on. Their Churches and brau houses still dot the Chicago horizon.

The North Side once held a wonderful array of German offerings. From The Golden Ox, to the Chicago Brauhaus, Heidelberger Fass, Salzburger Hof, Cafe Berlin, Metro, Schiller Liedertafel, Schoenhofen Brewery, Schulien’s, The Brown Bear, Germania Club, Schlogl’s, Math Igler’s Casino, Vogelsang’s, The Red Star Inn, Von Stuke’s Hofbrau, Schwaben Stube, Hogan’s, and Zum Deutschen Eck. We still have The Berghoff, Himmel’s, Laschet’s Inn, Resi’s Bierstube and Mirabell.

The Germans left their homeland for new lives during the creation of the German state ruled by Prussia’s military and the dilemmas raised by the “Kulturkampf” politics. More Germans came to Chicago than any other ethnic group. More than the Irish, the Italians, the Polish, Latinos and Chinese.

We still taste the elegance of their culture and the freshness of their beers. They shaped Chicago by their hard work and political consciousness. Their elegant literary heritage. And their religious devotion. German Protestants and Catholics here together in this city, rescued it by their success as physicians and nurses, barkeepers, brewmasters, cooks and laborers. Pastors, nuns and priests. Professors and shopkeepers and candy-makers.

German immigrant stonemasons and brick-makers played a major role in the rebuilding of Chicago after the Great Chicago Fire of 1871. And they brought their sturdy recipes with them.

Happy Oktoberfest.

OUR SHAME: A new report on education integrity ranks Illinois lower than any other state. Defending Education [DE] scored 50 states and the District of Columbia on gender and sexuality, diversity, equity, and inclusion, parental rights, teacher policies, and foreign influence in public schools. “It’s terrible leadership. It’s Democrats that are at the behest of teachers unions,” notes DE’s **Terry Stoops**. Illinois finished 50th, ahead of D.C. but behind every other state. Illinois public schools spend far more money on schools than neighboring states. Yet enrollment continues to drop. According to the Illinois State Board of Education, for 2024-2025, 52.4% of the state’s K-12 students were proficient in English Language Arts and only 38.4% were proficient in math.

BUY A BURGER: An attempted crash-and-grab burglary occurred Oct. 7 at Burger Bite, 1500 W. Devon Ave. in Rogers Park. **Edgar Bonilla** runs the family-operated diner with help from his wife, **Bernice Bonilla**, and their children. Go buy a burger to help them recover. They make a very good one.

100: Grab your party hats, Broadway In Chicago’s Cadillac Palace and James M. Nederlander Theatres are turning 100. The festivities will kick off with a birthday celebration at the Cadillac Palace Theatre 10 a.m. to noon Oct. 17, featuring a special birthday cake made by Eli’s Cheesecake. Enjoy a slice while taking in all the day’s activities.

STRANGE BEDFELLOWS: Former Illinois House GOP leader **Jim Durkin** has caused tongues to wag, big time, as he endorses Gov. **JB Pritzker** over Republican **Darren Bailey**.

RED HOT WAY: Chicago may be a bustling urban center of commerce and industry, but never too big or fancy to forget those who made the lives of others more happy or fulfilled. And so it was when the late Chicago entertainer, **Chilli Pepper**, recently

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(Left) Diana and Mike Ditka in 2003. (Center) Ditka in a swimming pool with rubber ducks in 1991. (Right) Ditka at a book signing in 2010.

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Da Coach was a regular on the North Side

World famous football player and coach Mike Ditka died Oct. 9, at the age of 86. He was the head coach for the Chicago Bears in the 1980s and '90s, leading the team to their lone Super Bowl victory in the 1985 season. He became a Chicago legend and icon, fondly known as "Iron Mike" or "Da Coach."

Born in the steel town of Carnegie, PA, Ditka became a larger-than-life Pro Football Hall of Famer, renowned for his playing career at the Univ. of Pittsburgh and with the Bears, Eagles, and Cowboys. He was the first tight end ever inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Known for his fierce temper, Ditka often clashed with teammates, management, fans, players he coached, including quarterback Jim McMahon and Jim Harbaugh, and perhaps most famously, with his own famous defensive coordinator Buddy Ryan.

Hired by his former coach and Bears founder George Halas in 1982, Ditka led the Bears to the playoffs seven times in his 11 seasons and reached the NFC Championship Game on three occasions, winning the 1985 Super Bowl in legendary fashion with a team America quickly adopted.

But part of his life story took place on

Chicago's North Side, at two locations: his iconic Ditka's Restaurant and its adjoining City Lights nightclub at 223 W. Ontario St. in River North, and later at his Gold Coast restaurant at 100 E. Chestnut.

During its first couple of years, City Lights was one of the city's hottest and most popular downtown celebrity-backed hotspots. They featured live musical acts and popular weekly events like Tuesday ladies' nights that offered free champagne, hors d'oeuvres, valet parking, and sports trivia giveaways.

Despite grossing over \$50 million and drawing massive initial crowds, the venue suffered from steep revenue drops in 1990, internal partner conflicts, financial audits, and mounting debt that led to its permanent closure in the spring of 1992.

Later, in 1997, he opened Mike Ditka's Restaurant on the Gold Coast at 100 E. Chestnut, in the Tremont Hotel complex. It was an upscale yet cozy clubby environment featuring white tablecloths, dark mahogany wood accents, leather booths, and extensive Chicago Bears and Mike Ditka memorabilia.

But the biggest attraction was Ditka himself. This place was not 'in name only,'

Da Coach actually was frequently found there.

"As a bartender from its opening in 1997 until 2000 when I moved away. I had the opportunity to work for Mike Ditka, and he was exactly who he was in public," said Larry Roenigk who now lives in Phoenix, AZ.

Roenigk saw firsthand that Ditka intended to be a bigger part of running the operation.

"When we were getting ready to open his restaurant, we had to come in early on a Sunday morning to do a scotch tasting. Because scotch whiskey goes very well with a cigar."

"All the bartenders and Ditka himself tasted probably 20 different scotch whiskeys before 10 a.m. Needless to say, we all were pretty drunk and very hungry. So Ditka took all of us down the street to get some breakfast on him."

"One thing I took away from that day was his telling us, 'People will come once

because my name is on the door. They will only come back again because of the quality of the food and great service," said Roenigk.

The restaurant was known for their "Da Pork Chop," the dry-aged bone-in filet mi-

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Or pay right away by clicking Pay Now.

The calculator gives taxpayers as many as 13 additional months to pay off a bill before the unpaid tax debt is auctioned off at the legally required Annual Tax Sale.

During that time, interest will be charged at a rate of 9% a year, or 0.75% a month. The annual interest rate was 18% but the Treasurer's Office pushed for and won legislative reforms in Springfield that cut the rate in half.

Though the state-mandated interest rate charges can't be avoided, the Payment Plan Calculator is designed help you avoid borrowing from a credit card company or having to pay back or 'redeem' your taxes after they're sold to a tax buyer. The calculator is a tool that should help more Cook County residents pay off their back taxes and remain in their largest investment, home sweet home.

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Softball HOF celebrate 30th during induction dinner



The Home Front

by Don DeBat

Many marriages don't last three decades. So, the Chicago 16-Inch Softball Hall of Fame [HOF] is proud to celebrate its 30th-anniversary, and the birthday of its founding in 1996.

The HOF includes 700 plus of the best male and female athletes in the sport since the 1920s, when softball began to take off in Chicago parks and gravel school yards.

On Oct. 24, the HOF also will recognize the Class of 2026 Inductees and Honorees at its 30th annual dinner event held at Drury Lane in Oak Brook Terrace. Since 1995, the HOF has inducted more than 700 individuals and teams, many who lived and played on Chicago's North Side.

The event—long considered the "Academy Awards" of 16-inch Chicago-style softball, will be attended by more than 500 softball players, enthusiasts and lovers of the game.

"The HOF is the most prestigious honor among the 16-inch softball community," said Paul Rowan president of the HOF. "We are excited to honor and highlight

those who have performed or supported the game at the highest levels."

"The Hall 30-year journey has made it the epicenter of the sport today, when many people never expected it to last and thrive," said Al Maag, co-founder of the HOF. "But our outstanding Board members, the support by the Park District of Forest Board and sponsors like Fritz Zimmermann of March Manufacturing, have allowed us to build a beautiful and informative museum and put plaques on display outside at Inductee Park."

The "smiles and memories for honorees and their families have been worth every effort by our volunteers," Maag said. "Now the goal is stay sustainable as we reach out to more sponsors and donors."

"HOF inductees and the board are pleased to see more individuals and teams see the beauty of the game," said Rowan. "Tens of thousands of people are playing 16-inch softball for fun in and around Chicago, and tournaments are growing in the Midwest and across the USA."

Rowan remarked: "The game is simple—a ball and a bat are all that is required to have fun or be as competitive as you wish."

This year's HOF event will induct 18 individuals and recognize nine historic teams. Each with outstanding stories. Dinner tickets can be purchased on-line until Friday, October 15, 2026: \$150

for adults, \$95 for kids. Tickets are \$170, and \$110 for kids at the door.

Price includes free parking, a four-course dinner, four hours of open bar starting at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:45 p.m. Award presentations start at 7:45 p.m. Visit: <https://16inchsoftballhof.com/events/annual-dinner/>

Lifetime-Achievement Award

Ron Kubicki—2026 winner of the coveted "Tony Reibel HOF Lifetime Achievement Award"—is the perfect example of having an impact on the sport of 16-inch softball over his lifetime.

A former-fire-fighter, Kubicki, nicknamed "The Colonel," started his softball-playing career in 1971 with his church team in Hodgkins. At that time, he was working at the Hodgkins Park District.

In 1985, he was promoted to Executive Director of the Hodgkins Park District, and that started his goal to make softball a major part of the park's program. One of Ron's first acts as executive director was to get lights installed on both the Little League and softball field. Ron worked at the Hodgkins Park District for 40 years until he retired in 2012.

From 1973 to 2012, the park had a 16-inch men's and women's softball leagues, which grew into the famed Westchester/Hodgkins Pro League. In 1975 Kubicki, along with Larry Randa the owner and editor of the Life Newspapers, started what was to be known as the "Life Area Classic 16-inch Softball Tournament." That tournament ran for 12 years in the western suburbs of Chicago.

In 2000 Ron was inducted into the Softball Hall of Fame as an Organizer. He is proud to say he has been involved in Major 16-inch softball from 1984 to 2024.

Ron says he was very lucky to have been surrounded by some of

the greatest players to ever play the game, and proud to have been a part of these teams as they went on to win a grand total of 27 National Championships.

Kubicki's first contact with the Chicago 16-inch Softball Hall of Fame came in 1995 when asked to serve on the modern ERA committee for the newly formed Hall of Fame. He stayed involved with the HOF until 2001.

Ron was elected President of the HOF Board from 2010 until 2023 when he and wife Debbie made the move to Mesa, Arizona.



Ron Kubicki

As president he was engaged in the building the new Inductee Park, and the deeply involved in finding the memorabilia to help fill the displays to open the Hall of Fame Museum.

After a few years, Kubicki helped update the by-laws by the Board. This was needed to let the Board of Directors

grow into what it is today, placing the first African Americans, and Iowa members on the board.

Some Ron's other accomplishments, include launching a HOF Golf Outing to help raise funds; moving the annual dinner event to the classy Drury Lane facility to attract a much larger audience, and working closely with the Forest Park District to help promote the 16-inch No-Glove Pro League.

Kubicki also opened closer ties with DePaul Univ., welcoming new students to Chicago and the local Junior High Schools to bring students to visit the HOF Museum and provide clinics to help the students with a better understanding of the game.

Since its founding in 1995, the HOF is the premier nonprofit organization for supporting and recognizing the game of 16-inch slow-pitch softball.

The Chicago 16-Inch Softball Museum at 7501 W. Harrison St. pays homage to the Forest Park No-Gloves National, one of softball's premier tourna-

ments. The museum is open Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m., visit www.16inchsoftballhof.com.

2026 Inductees

Chicago 16-Inch Softball HOF is inducting the following players and teams into the HOF on its 30th-anniversary.

Richard J. Daley Award: The Richard J. Daley Award winners in the HOF induction Class of 2026 are Edward Klepadlo and Frank Mastro, both men were top umpires for more than five decades.

Frank Holan Award: Jerry Flanagan from Iowa, is a perfect example of a winner on and off the field as a player, organizer and ambassador to the game of softball for more than 50 years.

Star Player: Men: Jake Olson. After starting his career playing for his father Jack Olson (HOF), he became an outstanding center fielder winning dozens of championships and individual awards.

Star Player: Woman: Danine Juszynski. At the height of her career in leagues on the North Side of Chicago, she was playing infield five nights a week with dozens of titles under her belt.

Star Player Out-of-State: Marty Freese. Iowa all-star infielder and hitter with multiple honors and titles.

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Wall of Fame: Greg Arredia, James Chiappetta, Tom Kulawiak, David Yozze, Bob Beckus, Anthony Jones, Andrew Peoples, and Lou Rossi are individual star players who have been outstanding for two to four decades.

Managers: Kevin Veselsky and Frank Stella

Veterans Committee: Joey Soltys
Organizer: Francisco Arenas

still today - as humorous by many, but the truth was that Ditka was late for the gig, which put announcers Chip Caray and Steve Stone in a predicament for a short time, as the show must go on. Ditka's last second dramatics, running up the ramps to get to the announcer's box, left him breathless, and his booming voice raced through the song at such a quick pace that the stadium organist could barely keep up with him... not to mention the thousands of people in the stands expecting to sing along with him. Afterwards he was still cheered for his effort by the crowd.

"It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend, Mike Ditka," his family said in a public statement. "While the world knew Mike as a Hall of Fame football player, legendary coach, and leader of the Chicago Bears' Super Bowl XX championship team, we knew him as the heart of our family."

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gnon, Coach's pot roast nachos, the Fridge Burger, and crab bisque.

The restaurant lasted until it was forced to close during the COVID pandemic and government-imposed economic lockdown.

Ditka and his wife Diana also once owned a condo at the Olympia Center, 161 E. Chicago Ave., in Streeterville, which they sold in late 2023 when living full-time in Florida. The Ditkas moved back to the Chicago area in late 2024, purchasing a new condo in Streeterville, where he spent his final years.

One iconic Chicago moment came in Dec. 2013 when Chicago weather took center stage at halftime of a Monday night game between the Chicago Bears and Dallas Cowboys, when Ditka had his number 89 retired by the Bears in a ceremony that featured Da Coach in obvious discomfort because he was standing in a wind chill of 2 degrees.

It was a great moment for

It was a great moment for Ditka, who then abandoned the tens of thousands of fans at Soldier Field after the ceremony for the warmth and comfort of a fine red wine and cigar at his restaurant, where he watched the second half on TV.

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Then there was his turn singing "Take Me Out To The Ball Game" July 5, 1998 at Wrigley Field, the recording of which is still sometimes played, purely for its awfulness.

The rendition of Harry Caray's shtick was looked on then - and

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Amazon buys vertical warehouse on Goose Island

Online retailer Amazon just purchased the newly built, multi-story vertical logistics hub on 11.5-acres at 1237 W. Division St. adjacent to the Kennedy Expy. near Goose Island for \$195 million.

Like many of the items North Siders buy from Amazon, the property seemingly came at a discount to the buyer.

The seller was LPC Division I, LP, an affiliate of developer Logistics Property Co. [LPC].

The multi-level distribution center serves a great deal of the Near North Side, Old Town and points west, and is accessible to Amazon trucks by various ramps. Situated downtown in the Goose Island neighborhood, the project is the foremost distribution location serving an estimated \$2 billion in e-commerce customers within a 5-mile radius of the site.

The purchase price was less than the cost to build the warehouse. The James Martell's LPC spent at least \$205 million building the multi-story property, according to public property records.

Amazon plans to use the property as a central hub to boost its same-day delivery across the North Side.

LPC bought the site for \$55 million in 2022, then borrowed \$150 million to build out the two-year construction 1.2 million square foot project.

The warehouse is the first of its kind in town, with a rare vertical, multi-story design. While popular in coastal areas and in Europe



Artist rendering of new Amazon vertical logistics hub, 1237 W. Division St.

and Asia, the multi-level design has not been broadly adopted in the Midwest.

The property is located right next to the Kennedy Expy. and

includes parking decks that can hold up to 1,590 cars or 763 larger trucks and vans. The ability to hold larger vehicles makes the task of distribution in dense urban

areas more efficient than a traditional one-story warehouse space due to its multi-level design.

Amazon will be the first and only user of the site.

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From Hollywood to Bollywood: Service Club of Chicago set for 136th annual gala

BY CANDICE JORDAN
Chicago Star Media

The Service Club of Chicago is taking its annual gala in a colorful new direction this weekend with “From Hollywood to Bollywood: Every Story Begins With Hope,” a night that promises plenty of glamour along with the organization’s signature spirit of giving.

The 136th annual gala takes place Saturday, Oct. 17, at the Palmer House, where Tina Gravel, Munira Patel and Jenna Rummelhart are serving as co-chairs.

The evening begins at 6 p.m. with cocktails, followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Guests can choose from beef, fish or vegetarian entrées, with entertainment provided by Arlen Music and Movement of Desis.

And this is one gala where the dress code comes with plenty of room for creativity. Attire is “Creative Black Tie,” with guests encouraged to channel either Hollywood glamour or Bollywood style. In other words, this is not the night to play it safe with the little black dress.

The Service Club of Chicago was first established in 1890 as an all-volunteer charitable orga-

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Teen charged with robbery, battery of woman on CTA train

A male juvenile, 16, has been arrested and charged with one felony count – Robbery, and one felony count – Aggravated Battery/Transit Empl Perm Duties or Transit Passenger for an incident on Oct. 5, in the 700 block of W. Schiller St.

The teen boy was identified as the offender who, on Sept. 4, battered and took personal belongings by force from a 22-year-old female victim who was on a CTA train in the 0-100 block of N. Wabash Ave.

The offender was placed into custody and charged accordingly.

Sex creep on CTA train

Chicago police are warning residents of a recent sex offense in the Lake View East neighborhood.

In the Oct. 7 incident, the suspect committed a lewd act while on board a CTA train car on the 3900 block of N. Sheridan Rd. at 9 p.m.

The offender is described as an African American male 30-40 years old, approximately 6’ tall, and 200 lbs, with slight facial hair.

Those who have any information on this creep can contact Mass Transit Detectives at 312-745-4447, or submit an anonymous tip at CPD-TIP.com.

ICE arrest two men

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement arrested two foreign nationals Oct. 3 with sexual assault and abuse convictions in Illinois.

According to a statement from the Dept. of Homeland Security, Mexican national Juan Jose Rodriguez Maldonado was in the U.S. unlawfully and had been convicted of aggravated criminal sexual abuse on a victim less than 13 years old in Chicago, a Nov. 2025 attempted first-degree murder, aggravated battery with a firearm, and aggravated discharge of a firearm.

DHS said Moroccan national Zouhair Boudaz was also in the country illegally and had been convicted of criminal sexual assault/force in Cook County.

Man charged with attempted murder

Giovanni Jasso, 20, of the 2300 block of W. Granville Ave. in West Ridge, has been charged with one felony count – Attempt - Murder – First Degree, and one felony count – Aggravated Battery/Discharge Firearm

And one felony count – UUU - Machine Gun/Auto Weapon near a school or park after he was arrested by Chicago Police and the U.S. Marshals Oct. 6, in the 500 block of Des Plaines Ave. in Forest Park. He was identified as the offender who, on Aug. 26, shot and injured a 26-year-old male victim in the 6500 block

of N. Sacramento Ave. in Rogers Park. Jasso was placed into custody and charged accordingly.

Teens charged with vehicular hijacking downtown

A teen boy and teen girl, both 17, have both been charged with vehicular hijacking with a firearm after the two were arrested by Chicago police 5:20 p.m. Oct. 7, in the 0-100 block of W. Randolph St.

They were identified as the offenders who, approximately 15 minutes earlier, took a vehicle by force from a 56-year-old male victim in the 0-100 block of W. Monroe St. A weapon was recovered from the boy. The offenders were placed into custody and subsequently charged accordingly.

Man indicted for aiming laser pointer at police helicopter

A man has been indicted in federal court for allegedly aiming a laser pointer at a Chicago Police Dept. helicopter.

Ignacio Ramos, 36, knowingly aimed the beam of a laser pointer at the CPD helicopter on Aug. 11, according to an indictment unsealed Oct. 8 in U.S. District Court in Chicago. The indictment charges Ramos with one count of aiming a laser pointer at an aircraft in the special aircraft jurisdiction of the United States.

Ramos pleaded not guilty during his arraignment in federal court Thursday in Chicago. A status hearing was scheduled for 9:30 a.m. Dec. 3, before U.S. District Judge Mary M. Rowland.

The indictment was announced by Andrew S. Boutros, U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, and Ryan Whalen, Special Agent-in-Charge of the FBI.

The charge in the indictment is punishable by up to five years in federal prison.

Chicago postal worker pleads guilty to stealing checks from the mail

A former U.S. Postal Service employee has pleaded guilty to stealing customers’ checks from the mail, altering them, and depositing them into her personal bank account, Illinois Attorney General Kwame Raoul announced.

Teneshya Harris, 37, of Chicago, was sentenced to two years of probation after pleading guilty to felony theft by deception, Raoul said Friday. Harris was ordered to pay \$6,400 in restitution, of which she paid \$1,500 in court Oct. 8 and must pay the remaining balance before her probation ends, according to Raoul’s office.

Raoul said Harris took checks from the mail and either made the checks payable to herself or altered them to increase the dollar amounts before endorsing and depositing them into her personal bank account, according to the attorney general’s office.

“Americans rely on the integrity and reliability of the U.S. Postal Service, and it is unacceptable that a Postal Service employee would take advantage of the public they are meant to serve,” Raoul said.

Two Chicago men get probation in separate hate crime cases; one charge dropped



Andres Stathouloupoulos, left, and John Talbott.

Two men charged with hate crimes in separate, unrelated incidents, one in Portage Park and the other in Uptown, were sentenced to probation last week after pleading guilty. In one of the cases, prosecutors dropped the hate crime charge as part of a plea deal.

Andres Stathouloupoulos, 21, was sentenced by Judge Michael Hood to 429 days plus two years of mental health probation after pleading guilty to hate crime and aggravated battery charges. His 429-day sentence will be satisfied by the time he has already served in jail and on electronic monitoring.

The victims, a 42-year-old White woman and a 39-year-old Black man, parked in front of Stathouloupoulos’ home in the 5700 block of W. Addison St. late on July 8, 2025. Stathouloupoulos shouted racial slurs at the man and called the woman a “n—lover,” prosecutors said in a detention petition.

Stathouloupoulos crossed the street and threatened the woman, who yelled back and told him to leave, according to the petition. As he approached, the male victim noticed that Stathouloupoulos was holding a small knife and warned the woman. Stathouloupoulos allegedly cut the woman on the top of her wrist before walking away.

The woman received four stitches at a hospital. Surveillance video allegedly showed Stathouloupoulos approaching the victims and walking away with the knife in his hand. Police officers recognized him in the footage, according to prosecutors.

In the other case, an Uptown man pleaded guilty to residential burglary and received two years of probation from Judge Shelley Sutker-Dermer. Prosecutors dropped several other felony charges, including hate crime and aggravated battery of a child, court records show.

The incident began around 4 a.m. on Feb. 17, 2024, when a 27-year-old man returned from work to his apartment in the 1200 block of W. Sunnyside, where his wife, their two young sons and his sister were sleeping. Talbott, who was 39 at the time and lived in the same complex, allegedly began banging on the family’s door and yelling, according to prosecutors. The man, his wife and their children moved toward the back of the apartment while his sister locked herself in her bedroom.

Prosecutors said Talbott eventually broke through the front door, shattering a hinge, and moved toward the family. The man and his 5-year-old son escaped through the back door and went down to the second floor.

His wife, carrying their 6-month-old son, followed a few steps behind. Prosecutors said she fell down the stairs with the infant, who suffered bruises to his face.

The hate crime charges stemmed from allegations that Talbott made references to Spanish-speakers and immigrants while yelling and pounding on the door, prosecutors said.

Prada heist parolee gets 8 years in federal prison for armed robbery of electrical crew



Kahdaffie Green is shown in his mugshot, right, and in a photo investigators say they found on his phone, left, taken the night before the robbery. The phone images allegedly shows him standing behind a counter with a gun that police said was used in the holdup.

A Chicago man who helped rob an electrical work crew at gunpoint of \$25,000 in equipment — while on parole for participating in a \$46,000 Prada Store heist on the Gold Coast — was sentenced to eight years in federal prison.

Kahdaffie Green pleaded guilty to interfering with commerce by threat or violence and using a firearm during a crime of violence. U.S. District Judge Rebecca R. Pallmeyer sentenced him to a total of 96 months.

The Dec. 6, 2023, daytime robbery unfolded on the South Side, where three electrical workers were installing a natural gas pipeline, according to federal prosecutors. Green stayed behind the wheel of a stolen Jeep Cherokee while three accomplices allegedly got out and pointed guns at the workers. Two of them dragged a RIDGID SeeSnake sewer camera and a Digitrak locator box, together worth about \$25,000, into the Jeep. Green then drove off with the men and the stolen equipment, prosecutors said.

Police tracked a GPS device attached to the equipment to the Jeep, which was found in a yard in the 11800 block of S. Vincennes Ave. Green, Chaqwon Birden, Marquise Ramyeh, and Jahjuan Green ran from the vehicle but were arrested nearby, officials said. Officers recovered the stolen equipment from inside the Jeep.

Prosecutors sought a 135-month sentence for Green, arguing that he was undeterred by previous punishment and continued to target valuable property while using firearms.

At the time of the electrical crew robbery, Green was on parole for his role in the robbery of the Prada store on Oak St. He had been sentenced to 42 months in prison for the Prada heist and was paroled on July 23, 2023 — less than five months before the electrical crew robbery.

Prosecutors also disputed Green’s contention that his role in the utility crew heist was less dangerous than his accomplices’ because he stayed in the vehicle, never personally brandished a gun, and did not carry off the equipment himself. Although he did not point a firearm at the workers, they said, he watched from the driver’s seat as the others threatened the victims and loaded the stolen equipment into the Jeep.

Prosecutors said Green also helped plan the robbery. Cellphone records allegedly showed his phone connected to cell towers near the robbery site on Dec. 3, 4, and 5, 2023 — activ-

ity prosecutors said was consistent with him casing the location in the days before the crime.

A photograph taken with Green’s phone the night before the robbery showed him wearing the same clothes he wore during the crime and holding a Smith & Wesson rifle that Birden brandished during the robbery.

Prosecutors also pointed out that Green reported being struck by “stray bullets” in his side, arm, and back in Sept. 2023, just three months before the robbery. They argued that his experience as a gunshot victim made it particularly troubling that he would put others in fear of similar violence.

Green’s defense attorneys asked Pallmeyer to impose a 90-month sentence, citing his difficult childhood and efforts at rehabilitation. Pallmeyer sentenced Green to five months longer than his attorneys requested but 39 months less than prosecutors sought.

Man charged with multiple felony counts of armed robbery of women

A Near West Side parolee is charged with violently robbing women of jewelry as they walked in Lincoln Park and Little Italy, in a string of crimes that began this summer and continued through last month, prompting two community alerts from Chicago police.

Devontay Murray, 29, of 1000 block of S. Lytle St., was charged with two felony counts of armed robbery and one felony count of aggravated armed robbery Oct. 8 after he was arrested by the Chicago Police Dept. and U.S. Marshals on Oct. 6. He lived on the same block where one of the earliest robberies occurred, but he is not charged with that crime or another on the North Side that remains unsolved.

Altogether, CPD has linked six armed robberies to the jewelry robbery pattern, and Murray is now charged with four of them, police say.

He was identified the offender who participated in multiple robbery related incidents this year including two women on the South Side, and other robberies on the North Side including one on Sept. 20 from 3:30 p.m. to 3:40 p.m. on the 2200 block of N. Halsted; armed robbery of a 26-year-old female, and the armed robbery of a 40-year-old female at 3: 45 p.m. Sept. 20 on the 1900 block of N. Larrabee.

Murry took two engagement rings and two necklaces valued at more than \$5,000, police said. The woman ran to a nearby fire station for help. Police later recovered her phone at Oz Park, a few blocks away.

The offender was placed into custody and subsequently charged accordingly. Illinois Dept. of Corrections records show Murray was paroled in May after serving half of a seven-year sentence he received for aggravated battery of a peace officer. His previous prison sentences include three years for a 2023 arson and a pair of four-year sentences for robberies in 2016. Also in 2016, Murray was charged with a shooting that left a 45-year-old man dead and a 22-year-old woman critically injured in the 6600 block of S. Michigan Ave.

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Here are some things to know before you vote for — or against — these judges

BY CWBCHICAGO

This newspaper and CWB Chicago do not endorse or recommend judges or candidates for political office. In the past, we have provided readers with information about Cook County judges who handle criminal matters during biannual judicial retention election cycles.

It is rare for a sitting judge not to achieve the 60% retention threshold.

Below are brief biographies, background information, and links to relevant cases involving Cook County judges up for retention during the current cycle who handle criminal matters in CWB Chicago's coverage area.

Laura Ayala-Gonzalez

A judge since 2020, the former prosecutor is widely respected by colleagues and attorneys at the Leighton Criminal Courthouse. A review of more than 20 of our stories in which Ayala-Gonzalez's decisions are mentioned reveals relatively few sentences that stand out as unusually lengthy, with a 12-year sentence for a man who pleaded guilty to trying to drown his 2-year-old son in a bathtub among the stiffest.

Several of those stories involved defendants accused of committing serious crimes after Ayala-Gonzalez placed them on electronic monitoring. Among them was Shaquille Parker, a man accused of trying to kill two Chicago police officers.

Despite the seriousness of the allegations, Ayala-Gonzalez decided to release Parker on an ankle monitor in Sept. 2024 after his attorney argued that he was entitled to release under the SAFE-T Act's no-cash-bail provisions. The lawyer said Parker was experiencing serious, ongoing medical problems related to his gunshot injuries. The attorney also claimed that other inmates had held Parker hostage in a Cook County jail bathroom, where he was beaten, kicked, and stabbed because his wife would not transfer \$1,500 to an outside bank account.

Ayala-Gonzalez's decision unraveled when Parker allegedly cut off his ankle monitor, tossed it into a suburban dumpster, and disappeared.

One month after he went AWOL, on July 15, 2025, a U.S. Marshals fugitive task force found Parker outside a home in the 9500 block of S. Martin Luther King Dr. When officers moved in, Parker allegedly ran back into the home and hid in a crawl space.

"They had to deploy a canine unit after flash bangs and canisters didn't work, so a

dog had to be deployed to finally coax [the] defendant out of his hole," Assistant State's Attorney Michael Rusch said the next day.

Parker is currently slated to begin a bench trial before Ayala-Gonzalez later this month.

Thomas Byrne

A former prosecutor and a judge since 2008, Byrne hears felony criminal cases at the Leighton Criminal Courthouse. He has been mentioned in 35 stories since 2018.

Those stories include his 60-year sentence for the man who fired shots at Chicago police officers in August 2020, sparking a wave of online misinformation that led to two nights of looting along the Magnificent Mile and in retail corridors across the city. Byrne also sentenced a man to 60 years for murdering an incoming Northwestern Univ. student who had been in Chicago for only four hours. He gave 31 years to a man who shot a teenager on the CTA Red Line and 33 years to a man who tried to murder two Chicago police officers at a West Side hot dog stand.

On the other hand, Byrne recently gave an effective "time served" sentence to a Venezuelan man whom prosecutors described as a suspected member of the Tren de Aragua street gang who sold a firearm to undercover ATF agents. Another Venezuelan man with a similar background but more extensive involvement received a five-year sentence from Byrne.

Patrick Coughlin

A judge since 2014, Coughlin handles cases at the Markham courthouse. Because CWB Chicago's coverage focuses on the city, he has been mentioned in only two stories — one last year and one this year — both involving people accused of committing serious crimes while on pretrial release under his watch.

In one case, a former south suburban police officer was accused of sexually assaulting a teenage girl and paying her to create child sexual abuse material while he was on bond for a pending child pornography case. A judge initially ordered him held on \$1 million bail in the initial case, but barely a month later, Coughlin reduced the bail to \$500,000, allowing the man to go home on an ankle monitor after posting a \$50,000 deposit. Eventually, Coughlin removed the electronic monitoring requirement altogether, court records show.

In the other matter, a man is charged with first-degree murder for allegedly luring a victim into an ambush at the Altgeld Gardens housing project in July 2025 while wearing an ankle monitor. Court

records show the man repeatedly skirted the rules of pretrial release. About a year before the murder, the court's pretrial services office filed a report showing that he had accumulated about 30 curfew violations. A month later, another 16 violations were logged. Coughlin gave him a brief 15-day jail stint, then returned him to electronic monitoring with a curfew restriction.

Anjana Hansen

A former prosecutor, Hansen is a judge who handles felony matters at the Skokie courthouse. She has been mentioned in 31 news stories.

Some of the sentences Hansen has handed down are lengthy, including 45 years for an Uber driver who raped a woman he lured into his car and 18 years for a woman who shot a man on the CTA Red Line. Others raise eyebrows, such as the five years she gave to a man who attacked a flight attendant with a log on the Magnificent Mile, leaving her with life-altering injuries.

This summer, Hansen threw out a burglary charge against a Streeterville man who scaled down the outside of his 39th-floor apartment and fled through his downstairs neighbor's unit to escape a federal fugitive task force.

"It seems clear to me that there was not an intent to commit a theft" inside the neighbor's apartment, Hansen concluded. Without the intent to commit a felony inside the downstairs neighbor's apartment, there was no basis for the burglary charge, she concluded: "There will be a finding of no probable cause at this time."

In another burglary matter, a man awaiting trial for burglary in Hansen's court was arrested again for a new burglary while wearing an ankle monitor. After she

released him again, he was arrested for yet another burglary. She has not released him again.

Diana Kenworthy

Diana Kenworthy, a former assistant public defender, has been on the bench since 2008. In more than 30 news stories, she has handed down a Cook County rarity: life in prison. Not just life, but life plus 50 years. That sentence went to Wess Arnold, who was accused of beating his girlfriend and then setting her home on fire in July 2021.

In 2024, Kenworthy handed down a 55-year sentence to a man who shot three people, killing one, inside an Uptown Starbucks. A 12-year-old boy was among the surviving victims.

But in 2022, Kenworthy set off a firestorm when she found a man not guilty in a bench trial of murdering his ex-girlfriend. The woman's family members were convinced that the man had killed her and hauled her body away in a suitcase that he was seen carrying from her apartment and tossing into a dumpster. The dumpster was hauled away by a trash truck before the woman was known to be missing. Kenwor-

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Letter to the Editor

Styrofoam going out, but where?

It's probably a good thing that governments at both state and local levels are working to end the use of single-use expanded polystyrene food containers.

However, it was misleading to say polystyrene "is almost impossible to recycle." What's almost impossible is to find a convenient way to get expanded polystyrene ["EPS"] into the recycling system. There's no curbside pickup available.

When Patrick O'Connor was alderman in the 40th ward, there was, for a time, an EPS drop-off container in the Streets & Sanitation yard at Ravenswood and Schreiber. It's gone.

But people can now drop off food scraps for composting in the green carts outside the fence.

One has to do an internet search to find where to take EPS for recycling - and then contact the people in charge in real time to make sure of all the details.

Dart Container Corp. has had an EPS re-

cycling program available to the public.

Abt has a major recycling program, which includes all the EPS and other packaging, from items they delivered.

Most people may not know that EPS is a common choice for the insulation in Insulating Concrete Forms ["ICFs"]. The ICF blocks are assembled into walls and horizontal members of buildings, then filled with reinforced concrete. ICFs are one of several excellent choices to make a building envelope very resistant to tornadoes and other extreme winds, which are a hazard in all of Illinois, according to FEMA P-320, "Taking Shelter from the Storm: Building or Installing a Safe Room for Your Home." We need more buildings using ICFs as appropriate. And as long as many ICFs use EPS, we need to get all the EPS possible into the recycling stream.

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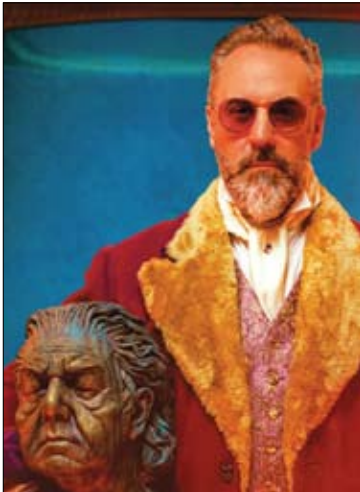
THINK TANK: Pope Leo XIV opened a week-long meeting at the Vatican titled “Ten Years After Amoris Laetitia: Proclaiming the Gospel with Families Today.” In addition, Pope Leo asked a few select church leaders to attend. Four from the USA, more than from any other nation: **Cardinal Blase Cupich** of Chicago, **Cardinal Robert McElroy** of Washington, **Cardinal Joseph Tobin** of Newark, and **Bishop Daniel Flores** of Brownsville, TX.

RERUM NOVARUM: Chicago’s **Father Clete Kiley** accompanied a committee of American Labor leaders to a Vatican Conference on labor in which Pope Leo XIV was deeply interested in Kiley’s achievements in bringing expansive success in the training of young workers. Kiley was encouraged by the Pontiff’s interest expressed at a private audience with the pope.

GO CATS!: **Pat and Shirley Ryan** have done it again. Their commitment to Northwestern, to Evanston, to football, to Chicago and to the nation. Their generosity is nothing new. Their respect for all these entities and investment in their future uncovers a strength and stability that is their real gift to all. Blessings forever.

STEPPENWOLF: **John C. Reilly** is returning to Steppenwolf Theatre. The Hollywood actor with many Chicago ties is coming back with his show, “Mister Romantic,” slated to run Dec. 10-13 in Steppenwolf’s Downstairs Theater.

CULTURAL ALLIANCE: It has been announced that **Dr. Mónica Félix**, Executive Director of the Chicago Cultural Alliance, will be stepping down at the end of November. Board President, **John Russick**, and Vice President, **Dr. Rebecca Amato**, will lead the search committee during this transition.



Christian Van Horn

26/27 SEASON: Fall at Lyric Opera is set to be as iconic as the changing of the leaves. **Mozart’s** Don Giovanni runs through November 1. Bass-baritone **Christian Van Horn** stars in this revival of **Robert Falls’s** taut, gripping production.

WHO’S WHERE: **Judy Bros** loved being at Auberge de Romance with good friends... joining **Myra Reilly** in wishing

INSIDE PUBLICATIONS



John C. Reilly

daughter, **Meg Tallon**, a joyous birthday celebration... **Liz Teasley** always with her hands on the Hippocratic Cancer Foundation making it happen... **Chuck Connor**, retired Navy Captain, attended the commissioning of destroyer USS Ted Stevens in Alaska on Oct. 3. Chuck worked the Alaska beat while on active duty in the 80s... **IKEA** is closing its Bolingbrook store and building a new, smaller version in Naperville’s Block 59 development... Our friend **Joanna Broussard** to be named a 2026 Living Treasures of Edgewater, Nov. 1 at the Edgewater Public Library... **Greg E. Williams** shared his insights during World Mental Health Day at Lincoln Park Room... Attorney **Jack Goggin** celebrating another spin around the sun while up in the North Woods... Has **Prince George** refused to return to Eton after his suspension?... **Susan Gohl** and **Jonathan Grabill** are embarking on European cruise through Switzerland, Italy, Greece and Turkey, making it to Santorini by Halloween.

GOODMAN THEATER: The Goodman Theatre, in its 101st Season, is raising the curtain on its future as leadership and artists share a vision for its next century of impact. Artistic Director **Susan V. Booth** and Executive Director **John Collins** announce The Goodman, For



From left: Aldermen Brian Hopkins [2nd], Ald. Timmy Knudsen [43rd], and Bennett Lawson [44th]. Photo courtesy Vern Hester



Chuck Connor

Good—a \$30 million campaign to secure Chicago’s flagship not-for-profit theater for future generations. To date, \$27 million has been raised—including 11 gifts in excess of \$1 million—under the leadership of Goodman Trustee **Elaine Leavenworth**, Campaign Chair.

ART: A major exhibition of work of the American Impressionist **Mary Cassatt** has opened at the Musée d’Orsay in Paris, so if you’re traveling to the French capital make plans to see it, just stay clear of the riots, violence, tear gas and burning buildings.

Meanwhile, the exhibit on Cassatt at the Art Institute runs through January 3, 2027. Save on



Mary Cassatt

airfare, see it now.

AMERICAN WRITERS MUSEUM: Recently the America Writers Museum in Chicago celebrated their annual benefit “OnWord.” It was a festive and inspirational evening at the Four Seasons Hotel. We were delighted, if not amused, to learn that the gilded members of the host committee were polished members of our “brahman” Chicago elite who understand the critical necessity of economic allegiance to the art and commerce of writing. Most of all we realized they were first and foremost lovers of books. The printed word. The poetic spirit. The world of imagination, lost language, sacred composition, as well as intrigue, iambic pentameter, and passionate for dactyls and spondees and Latin verse. We are so pleased to see success grow for them, and plan to assure **Michael Harring** of our presence at future events along with my literate colleagues.

AHH, BACH: Happy birthday to one of the finest conductors of our time, the great, late **Seiji Ozawa**, whose musical legacy, always excelled in performances of **Johann Sebastian Bach**.

Eating in Germany is easy, because there is basically only one kind of food, called the ‘wurst.’

- Dave Barry

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nization with a mission to award grants to Chicago area organizations that will uplift their communities through social service, health, educational and cultural programs. They began their work with a modest sewing circle, creating garments for the children of the Stock Yards and the University Settlement.

Since their founding 136 years ago, the Club has allocated thousands of grants to Chicagoland agencies. Today, the Club continues to play a major role in the life of the city with grants that directly impact approximately one million lives locally every year.

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dirt bike in front of Wauconda High School. In Chicago, a 16-year-old on a Lime e-scooter was killed in August when he lost control and was hit by a semi-truck near the intersection of Western Ave. and Irving Park Rd. Two other teens were killed in accidents on e-scooters on the city's South Side earlier in the summer. A Crystal Lake 15-year-old was left in serious condition in August and was found to be at-fault when he drove his scooter in front of a car, according to police.

As a former "road warrior on two wheels," this reporter has advice for those who choose to ride on two wheels. First, get professional training on how to ride defensively in deadly city traffic. Second, always wear a helmet and protective gear, from a leather outfit to heavy boots.

My adventures with motorcycles started in the early 1970s, when my college friend Torello Tacchi—a professional motorcycle racer and movie stuntman—asked: "Why not put something exciting between your legs?"

Tacchi, who operated a family motorcycle business in Old Town, sold me a sophisticated 850 c.c. Moto Guzzi motorcycle. It basically was an Italian Harley. Tacchi's life's work involved building custom road-racer motorcycles, and competing against professional factory racing teams at tracks in the Chicago area, Indianapolis, and Daytona Beach.

Speed filled Torello's life. For many years, he held the motorcycle-lap speed record at Meadowdale International Raceway in Carpentersville, IL. Tacchi also won races at the Daytona International Speedway, and he held lap speed records at tracks in Indianola, IN, Laconia, NH, and Wentzville, MO.

Walk-on-the-wild-side Tacchi, who passed away in 2020 at age 80, also had a brief fling as a stuntman in the movie industry. In the early 1960s, he jumped the Michigan Ave. Bridge near the Wrigley Building while the bridge tender began to raise the concrete and steel span across the Chicago River.

With our long hair billowing in the breeze, my adventuresome college roommate, Don 'Garbo' Garbarino and I rode our matching red and black Moto Guzzi motorcycles from Chicago to the "Badlands" of Wyoming and back at speeds up to 120 mph.

Unfortunately, my riding skills in busy Windy City traffic were not as professionally polished as

Tacchi's. Two serious accidents left me battle scarred. Although the helmet saved my life, I lost a spleen, suffered a lacerated kidney, dislocated a shoulder and shattered a collar bone. I left the bolts that wired my collar bone together in place to remind me of my folly.

Chicagoland emergency room visits related to e-bikes and e-scooters have nearly quadrupled (a nearly 400% increase) from 2017 to 2024, driven by a sharp rise in local ridership and accidents. Bad rider decisions and actions cause the vast majority of serious accidents.

And according to data from Univ. of Chicago Medicine, incidents involving children have seen a 300% rise, and children ages 5 to 14 account for roughly 27% of all micro-mobility emer-

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gency room visits. Toss in carrying more than one person on a single e-scooter, or a rider starting at an iPhone and it multiplies crash risks significantly, up to 6.5 times higher.

Doctors at the Lurie Children's Hospital trauma centers report an increase in severe injuries, including traumatic brain injuries, fractures, and hospital admissions due to low helmet usage among younger riders.

Now toss in a city and state that is normalizing and encouraging drug use and you have people biking and scootering recklessly under the influence of alcohol and drugs or both. About 1 in 4 patients treated for scooter-related hospital injuries test positive for or report using substances such as alcohol, marijuana, opioids, or cocaine.



Don DeBat (left) and his biker buddy Don (Garbo) Garbarino on Michigan Ave. in 1974.

Substance-impaired riders face nearly double the risk of a concussion or traumatic brain injury compared to sober riders, largely because they are also far less likely to wear helmets. According to the National Institute of Health, treatment for impaired scooter riders costs an average of \$4,600 more per patient than for non-impaired riders, with a significantly higher likelihood of hospital admission.

Allowing this menace to grow even worse is not what a responsible, enlightened society does. Yet almost daily the city of Chicago continues to enable and cater to this group of lawless travelers, while penalizing those who utilize much safer cars and buses to move about the city.

To make matters worse, all the concrete barriers, barricades and obstacles being installed by the Chicago Dept. of Transportation in our roadways for privileged two-wheelers is making it harder for first responders and ambulances to get to the scene of injured bike and scooter riders, since those concrete barriers prevent cars from 'pulling to the right for sirens and lights.'

Advice from Legislative sponsor

"Technology is evolving, providing expanded mobility options for our neighbors through the rise in popularity of e-bikes and scooters," said State Sen. Ram Villivalam, sponsor of the scooter bill.

"But without clear regulations for these devices, we are seeing increased injuries and accidents—jeopardizing community safety."

The e-scooter law was one of Secy. of State Alexi Giannoulias' top priorities during the legislative session. "As these high-powered devices become faster and more common on our streets and sidewalks, the stakes are simply too high to leave them unregulated and outpacing public safety," said Giannoulias. "This law brings accountability and common-sense safety standards to our roads while helping prevent serious injuries."

The bill creates new statewide standards for high-speed electric bikes and scooters, electric motor bikes, and electric unicycles and skateboards.

It creates a new tier of regulations for "high-speed" e-bikes, which have electric motors and can travel faster than 28 mph.

Those would be regulated similarly to motorcycles and require users to have a driver's license, insurance, an ownership title and register the vehicle with the state. They also must be driven on roads. But those new laws require enforcement, and right now Chicago and Cook County are light on enforcing existing laws. So enforcement policy changes are needed if these laws are to make any impact.

Right now, City Hall, the police and Chicago Dept. of Transportation have put little focus on what

may be the most dangerous segment of modern transportation: reckless biking and scootering.

"Low-speed" e-bikes are already regulated by the state, but the law creates the following new tiers that govern how old a person must be to drive them:

- Drivers must be at least 15 years old to operate a Class 1 pedal-assisted bike that travels up to 20 mph, such as Chicago's Divvy Bikes, and a Class 2 motor-powered bike that doesn't have to be pedaled. People must be 16 years old to drive pedal-assisted bikes that can travel up to 28 mph.

- All low-speed e-bikes can be used on streets, bike lanes, paths and trails, but not on sidewalks. Some high-speed electric scooters can reach speeds of 50 mph, but the new regulations limit riders to traveling up to 28 mph.

- Riders would be allowed to operate e-bikes on paths, bike lanes, roads with speed limits up to 35 mph, or roads with higher speed limits if there is a bike lane. Users must be 16 years old.

- Low-speed electric scooters that top out at 20 mph would also be allowed on paths, bike lanes, and roads by users who are at least 16 years old, down from 18 years old in current law.

- Battery-powered devices designed for young children would be unregulated aside from a stipulation they must stay on sidewalks and paths.

Supporters of the legislation say the e-scooter and e-bike devices create a safety hazard for both riders and pedestrians because some can travel more than 40 mph and can often be found sharing space on both sidewalks and busy streets.

Users who violate the regulations could pay fines and have their devices confiscated and impounded by the police. They are also subject to other existing traffic laws and penalties as well. But only if they get caught... and if the police can catch up to them. Drivers willing to run red lights and stop signs may also willfully ignore police orders from officers trapped in a traffic jam created by the privileged concrete bike lane barriers and other concrete obstacles now being constructed in our streets.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
MSR Asset Vehicle LLC
Plaintiff,
-v.-
Charles Wadee; 1529-37 W. Farwell Condominium Association; Unknown Heirs and Legatees of James Wadee; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants; NaaLomoley A. Sahin as Independent Administrator of the Estate of James Abbam Wadee, Deceased; Jennifer Gonsalves; Helen Gyamfi; Florence Agyeman; Kodjo Wadee; Elizabeth Kuntuah; Josephine Wadee; Alison Wadee
Defendants.
2024CH05935
1531 W Farwell Ave Unit 1N, 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 7/13/2026, an agent of Auction.com, LLC will conduct the On-line Only auction at www.auction.com, with the bidding window opening on 11/23/2026 at 10:00 AM CDT and closing on November 25, 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:
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Property Index No. 11-32-120-038-1007
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property page at www.auction.com by entering 1531 W Farwell Ave Unit 1N 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)(l) 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

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
HINSDALE BANK & TRUST COMPANY N.A.
Plaintiff,
-v.-
DENISE R. DYER, AS TRUSTEE AND/OR HER SUCCESSORS OF THE DRD6 TRUST, U/T/A DATED SEPTEMBER 19, 2024 A/K/A TRUST NUMBER 2024DK8437, DENISE R DYER, ROBERT G DYER, THE 401 EAST ONTARIO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants
2025CH05940
401 E ONTARIO STREET UNIT 2309 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 August 10, 2026, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on November 17, 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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Property Index No. 17-10-208-017-1188
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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. 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. Plaintiffs' Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876

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Attorney File No. 14-25-03576
Attorney ARDC No. 00468002
Attorney Code, 21762
Case Number: 2025CH05940
TJSC#: 46-1885
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Lakeview Township Real Estate For Sale

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
EVERBANK, N.A.,
Plaintiff
vs.
DAMON RITENHOUSE, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF DONALD SLACK, DECEASED; SHORELINE TOWERS CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; LINDA CHAPMAN; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF DONALD SLACK; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF ELIZABETH MADDEN,
Defendant
24 CH 491
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 23, 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. 14-05-203-011-1242.
Commonly known as 6301 North Sheridan Road, #18a, Chicago, IL 60660.
The real estate is: condominium residence. 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 Plaintiffs Attorney, McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLP, 333 West Wacker Drive, Suite 1820, Chicago, Illinois 60606. 312-346-9088. 23-172191L
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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
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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.
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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 CWALT, 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 8033 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 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 Plaintiffs Attorney, Marinosci Law Group, PC, 2215 Enterprise Drive, Suite 1512, Westchester, Illinois 60154. (312) 940-8580. 25-03681
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thy was not convinced and found the man not guilty.

Robert Kuzas

Robert Kuzas, who handles felony preliminary hearings, has been a judge since 2014 and previously worked as a Chicago police officer. He has been mentioned in nearly 40 stories, beginning in 2018, when he was handling misdemeanor cases.

In one of his earliest appearances, Kuzas found Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle's son, Kyle, not guilty of misdemeanor assault.

In 2022, when a criminal eye was being cast on murder and attempted murder defendants being placed on electronic monitoring in Cook County, we reported that Kuzas was responsible for one of those decisions. Prosecutors said Fernando Cornejo walked into a yard in Little Village one evening in June 2020 and began shooting. A 24-year-old man who was in the yard, a concealed-carry holder, pulled out his own gun and returned fire. Cornejo suffered multiple gunshot wounds and was critically wounded, but no other injuries were reported.

Prosecutors initially charged him with seven counts of aggravated discharge of a firearm. Judge Mary Marubio set bail at \$3 million and ordered him to go on electronic monitoring if he posted the mandatory \$300,000 deposit. A grand jury subsequently returned attempted murder charges.

Kuzas later reduced Cornejo's bail amount to \$150,000, meaning he needed a \$15,000 deposit to get out on an ankle monitor. Cornejo pleaded guilty to three counts of aggravated discharge of a firearm in 2023 and received an 11-year sentence, according to court records. He received credit for 1,136 days, including all of the days he spent on electronic monitoring.

As a preliminary hearing judge, Kuzas is often in the position of reviewing detention decisions made by other judges, such as when considering requests to release defendants or adjust their release conditions.

In the summer of 2025, Cook County sheriff's police arrested five men on charges of illegal firearm possession during a traffic stop after four of them were allegedly found to be armed with guns and a fifth firearm was found under the passenger seat. A judge detained all five men, but Kuzas released them five days later. Court records show all five men ultimately received probation sentences, meaning that, had they remained in jail, their lives would have been put on hold for nearly a year for no reason had Kuzas not released them.

In June, when prosecutors accused a man of downing up to 11 shots at a Wrigleyville bar before crashing into an Uber driver at 76 mph, causing severe injuries to the rideshare driver and his own passengers, a judge ordered him detained, citing his driving history and the circumstances of the crash. The decision surprised a defense attorney, who noted that the man had surrendered to police, indicating that he was not a flight risk. Kuzas released the man nine days later.

Given the volume of his caseload, some of Kuzas' detention decisions are bound to go wrong. And they have.

In 2022, a judge ordered a man charged with punching a woman in the face at the State-Lake Red Line CTA platform, causing her to lose consciousness and hit her head on the platform, to post a \$500 bail deposit and go on electronic monitoring to get out of jail. A pretrial analysis gave the man a score of 6 out of 6 for likelihood to commit a new crime and 5 out of 6 for likelihood to fail to appear in court. It also flagged him for violent crime, meaning that if he committed a new crime while on bond, it would likely be a violent offense.

Six days later, Kuzas released the man on his own recognizance without electronic monitoring, according to court records. The man proved the court analysis accurate in short order by failing to appear in court

and then attacking two tourists at the Chinitown-Cermak Red Line CTA platform, stabbing one in the face and punching the other in the head.

Mary Catherine Marubio

A judge since 2016, Marubio is Presiding Judge in Skokie and the Deputy Chief Judge of First Appearance Court. She no longer handles cases on a day-to-day basis, but for years she was assigned to the high-volume Pretrial Division, where newly charged defendants make their first appearances and judges set release conditions. As a result of that assignment, Marubio has been mentioned in well over 300 stories.

When we analyzed judges' pretrial release decisions while Marubio was assigned to the Pretrial Division, she did not fall outside the division's overall performance, meaning she was not an outlier either in favor of the defendant or the state.

Teresa Molina-Gonzalez

A former prosecutor and a judge since 2019, Molina-Gonzalez has been mentioned in just seven stories. But four of those stories involved her decision to put a man named Lawrence Reed on electronic monitoring.

"I can't keep everybody in jail because the State's Attorney wants me to," she infamously remarked when prosecutors objected to her decision on Aug. 22 last year. Just three months later, Reed, who had been jailed on allegations that he knocked a social worker unconscious in the psychiatric wing of MacNeal Hospital, allegedly doused a 26-year-old woman with gasoline and set her on fire aboard a Blue Line CTA train in the Loop.

Ursula Walowski

A former prosecutor and a judge since 2008, Walowski handles felony trials at 26th Street. She has been mentioned in 81 stories.

Among the most high-profile cases she handled was the murder trial of Emonte Morgan, whom she sentenced to life in prison for the murder of CPD Officer Ella French. She is also the judge who oversaw the trial of a North Side woman who murdered and dismembered her landlord, resulting in a 58-year sentence. A trans woman who murdered her roommate and hid the body in a cupboard—but pleaded guilty instead of taking the case to trial like the landlord defendant—received 25 years.

A Venezuelan migrant who killed another migrant in front of two witnesses as the victim pleaded for his life was given 33 years by Walowski, a sentence he must serve in full.

But Walowski is also the judge who handed probation to an 18-time convicted felon who officials said was the ringleader of the "Puffy Coat Bandits," professional thieves who stole purses and wallets from restaurant patrons across the city for months, sparking a social media furor before they were caught.

Two street racers speeding in their Corvettes at up to 100 mph in a 30 mph zone killed a tourist walking near Midway Airport and ended up getting probation from Walowski.

Tyria Walton

Walton, a career public defender before becoming a judge in 2019, has been mentioned in 31 stories.

Perhaps the most high-profile case Walton handled was the attempted murder of a Chicago police officer by a woman who stole the cop's squad car and then ran over him with the vehicle. Walton found the woman not guilty by reason of insanity.

Walton has claimed that she received "phone calls from individuals who have represented that they are members of the Chicago Police Dept. and that I should, in essence, watch my back, and that — that someone was going to be shot as a result of

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my ruling.”

“[M]arshals and the other persons who are in charge of judicial security have been made aware of each and every threat and disparaging comment that I have received and those that have been made about the attorneys of record in this case,” Walton said during one hearing.

The officer the woman ran over, Ed Poppish, has submitted a series of Freedom of Information requests seeking any evidence of a complaint being generated with CPD’s Bureau of Internal Affairs or the Cook County Sheriff’s Office, which handles courthouse security, regarding potential threats against Walton by CPD officers. Those efforts have yet to surface any complaints. The Office of the Chief Judge also maintains a security office that is not subject to FOIA requests.

More recently, Walton denied a certificate of innocence for Frank Burrell, a man who spent 20 years in prison for a 1999 murder conviction that was later overturned. Walton rather bluntly stated, “I don’t think that, for me, the ear-

lier findings were improper.”

Nonetheless, Burrell’s sentence, vacated by a higher court, remains vacated, and he continues to pursue a wrongful-conviction suit against the city, county, a former Cook County judge who was a prosecutor at the time of his conviction, and others.

Walton handed down a hefty 62-year sentence earlier this year to a 22-year-old man who killed a Golder College Prep student near the school’s West Town campus.

On the other hand, a man accused of nearly beating another passenger to death aboard a CTA Pink Line train received a two-year sentence from Walton, a sentence that was satisfied by the time he spent in jail under one judge and, later, on an ankle monitor when Walton released him.

Steven Watkins

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A review of the 31 stories mentioning Watkins includes one from earlier this year in which he sentenced a man to 91 years for shooting two CPD officers, telling an investigator, “F*** that officer, I hope he dies.”

The man accused of slash-

ing the throat of a DePaul Univ. alum near the school’s Lincoln Park campus seven years ago and carjacking a woman in the neighborhood days earlier received a 45-year sentence from Watkins.

But other sentences stand out for other reasons: A man who allegedly chased down and shot a man outside a Chinatown nightclub got eight years from Watkins. A longtime Chicago school teacher was sentenced to 10 years in prison after pleading guilty in three cases that accused him of sexually assaulting two underage girls, including one of his students. A former Senn High School teacher who admitted to having a sexual relationship with one of his students avoided prison in Watkins’ court by striking a plea deal.

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Kickoff at Museum of Contemporary Art Sculpture Garden

From the Wheel of Fur-tune to a furry Italian Beef, from an UBER EATS driver to a prison break, over 350 doggies and their people, will don their most elaborate costumes for the 39th Annual Streeterville Doggy (And Kitty) Halloween Costume Party and Parade, 9 a.m. Saturday Oct. 31, hosted at the MCA Sculpture Garden.

It will be a pawsitively fun morning for the Doggy Parade and Judging will be held from 9:45-10:45 a.m. The costumes will be judged by Ald. Brian Hopkins [2nd] and Streeterville resident Maureen Schulman.

All dogs and cats that would like to participate in the parade must be registered and in the gate by 10 a.m. Admission is free, but a \$19 donation to PAWS Chicago is encouraged. Leashes and/or carriers are required.

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The event is sponsored by MCA Chicago, Eli's Cheesecake, Streeterville Organization of Active Residents, Ald. Hopkins, State Rep. Kam Buckner, Seneca Park/Eli M. Schulman Playground and Lake Shore Park Advisory Councils, PAWS Chicago, Tails in the City, Whispers and West Loop Veterinary Care.

"I never imagined that the Halloween Dog Parade would have grown from a few neighborhood doggies meeting up at the tennis courts in costumes to such a big community happening," said Streeterville resident Rosalie Harris, who was among the founders of the Halloween parade in 1989. "Our neighborhood really loves its pets."

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vertical warehouse at 1237 W. Division St. near Goose Island and the North Branch of the Chicago River for \$195 million.

At 1500 N. Halsted St. is a residential conversion project led by Newcastle Investors.

Pushing further north, John Novak is in the middle of a riverfront buying spree of nearly \$58 million over the past nine months, doing six deals in and around the southern footprint of Sterling Bay's former Lincoln Yards.

Novak's latest transaction is an \$8 million purchase of 1623 N. Elston Ave. Together with his 2020 purchase of the former Stanley's Fresh Fruits & Vegetables site at 1548-1558 N. Elston, the general contractor-turned-developer now controls over 23 acres adjacent to the Chicago River.

Novak's neighbor is Jim Letchinger of JDL Development, who along with his partner Kayne Anderson Real Estate, are working on Foundry Park, a massive \$3 billion mixed-use mega-project on 31-acres across the river.

The core of Novak's properties is at 1401 W. Willow St., an 18-acre riverfront tract that he bought for \$34 million. He also has five smaller river-adjacent sites along Elston and Mendell avenues.

The broader riverfront and industrial corridor stretching north of Fullerton along the North Branch of the Chicago River has been transitioning from heavy industrial Planned Manufacturing Districts to mixed-use residential, commercial, and open-space developments, including the RiverWard Row Homes, a luxury four- and five- bedroom riverfront townhome community developed by ZSD Corp.

At Diversey and the Chicago River is where the redevelopment of the historic Julia C. Lathrop Homes is underway at Diversey Pkwy., Clybourn, and Damen avenues. It is a multi-phase, mixed-income transformation led by developers Related Midwest and Bickerdike Redevelopment Corp.

The first phase will add 309 mixed-income units in seven rehabilitated historic buildings and one new five-story structure, along with the restoration of the historic powerhouse and 100 parking spaces.

Seeing all this activity has got to be breaking hearts and wallets at Sterling Bay, who was forced out of their ownership positions in much of this space through various forms of foreclosure and loan take-backs. All totaled they may have lost an estimated \$80 to \$90 million in those forced sales.

These forced land sales represent just one part of Sterling Bay's broader crash, a Black Swan event defined by their unfortunate timing combined with too much debt. Their plans were set in motion right before the COVID-19 pandemic and government-imposed economic lockdown, that was followed by suddenly higher interest rates and inflation, and then Chicago's post-pandemic commercial real estate crash and work from home trend, high construction costs, and nearly half a billion dollars spent upfront on initial site infrastructure.

Sterling Bay's fall grew worse with the surrender of its vacant life sciences building at 1229 W. Concord Place, via a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure. That note was called in to pay off a \$59 million loan on the empty, 320,000-square-foot building.

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was arrested six more times, according to court records:

- July 9, 2023: Trespassing at a River North church. The case was dropped on Aug. 22.
- Aug. 4, 2023: Throwing a bottle of gin through an Evanston store window. The case was dropped on Sept. 5.
- Aug. 16, 2023: Charged with pushing a 14-year-old girl in the chest, causing her to fall over a bench. Evanston police said he also pulled the girl by her ankle, leaving scrapes on her arms and legs. He received a sentence of 18 days time served on September 5.
- Sept. 22, 2023: Charged with four felony counts of aggravated battery to police officers. Evanston police accused him of biting one officer on the hand, biting another on the thigh, kicking a third in the groin, and hitting a fourth.
- Oct. 3, 2023: Arrested for allegedly striking a Lakeview man with a broomstick outside Wrigley Field. The incident was caught on camera.

Despite the string of attacks and the strong likelihood that Graham had unmanaged mental health issues, authorities released him back onto the streets again and again. Finally detained for questioning about Long's death in October, Graham once more admitted to hitting him and even demonstrated on video how he had done it, prosecutors said.

"He used a closed fist and wound his upper body in a manner like a person would throw a baseball and struck [Long] violently in the head area," according to a detention filing prosecutors submitted in 2023.

Graham's history of violence predated the killing. In November 2022, he was accused of shoving a 71-year-old man into a glass storefront in Evanston. He failed to appear in court, and when he finally did show up in April 2023, the case was dropped. Early in 2023, he was accused

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In March, he "displayed irate behavior" and punched a man in the chest, face, arms, and legs on a CTA train near Dempster. He pleaded guilty in April and received 33 days time served.

One week later, he was arrested for assault in Evanston. After failing to appear, he received 15 days time served on June 20. A week after that, on June 27, he was arrested again — this time for kicking a 30-year-old woman in the leg and face as she waited for a bus near the Magnificent Mile. He was quickly released and, just two days after that arrest, he killed Russ Long.

Graham must serve only half of his nine-year sentence, as state law grants a 50% reduction for good behavior. With nearly three years of additional credit for time already served in jail, he faces roughly 18 months behind bars before he is back on the streets. His attorneys are appealing.

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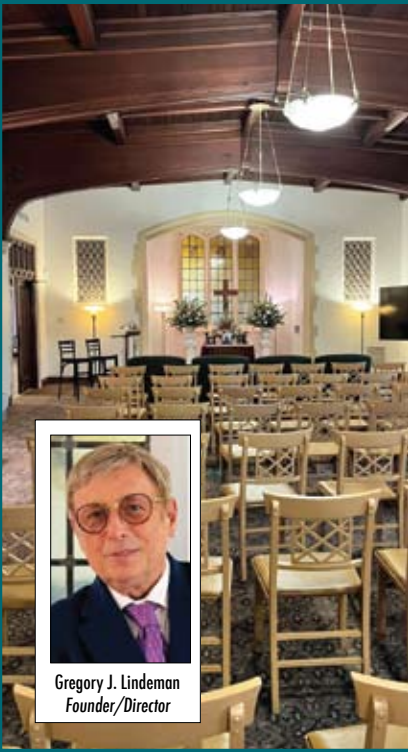
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