

My cooking is so bad
my kids thought
Thanksgiving
was to commemorate
Pearl Harbor.

—Phyllis Diller

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Lincoln Park congregation mulls fate of historic Pine Grove building



STORY AND PHOTOS
BY PETER VON BUOL

The dwindling congregation of the Second Church of Christ, Scientist, 2700 N. Pine Grove Ave., hosted a community-meeting Nov. 14 to inform neighbors it has hired a real estate consulting firm to explore its options for the sale of their property. The property includes a 116-year-old sanctuary designed by the architect of the Chicago's Pullman neighborhood as well as an adjacent parking lot.

According to a church spokesperson at the meeting, the congregation has dropped to less than two dozen members (church doctrine does not allow providing specific numbers) and, citing deferred maintenance costs that include a new roof, a new boiler, and dealing with water leaking into the basement, the property has become too expensive for the small congregation to maintain the building. He added the congregation intends to stay in the neighborhood and is not disbanding.

Also speaking at the meeting was John Colt Landreth, the real estate consultant hired by the congregation. Landreth, principal of Chicago-based Plaza Property Advisors, told those in attendance that while numerous alternative uses have been explored for the property, residential use seems to be the most likely outcome. All of their parcels are zoned residential (R-5 and R-6).

While the church building itself will be saved and re-purposed in a sale, the adjacent parking lot would likely be developed.

Ward Miller, executive director of Preservation Chicago, also attended the meeting and said that while he is grateful the congregation opened its doors for community input, he remains concerned about the fate of a historic building of classical design by Solon S. Beman, one of the city's most prominent late 19th/early 20th century architects.

"The building is an amazing example of Beman's work. [He was] a very important Chicago architect, world renowned for his design of Pullman, now a National Monument and National Park, on Chicago's South Side, in addition to numerous [designated] landmark buildings in Chicago," said Miller.

Gene Fisher, the executive director of the Diversey Harbor Lakeview Assoc., is also among



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those concerned about future developments on the site of the church. Aware repairs on older buildings can be costly, he expressed some skepticism that the congregation is facing millions of dollars of deferred maintenance costs, as they claim. To him, the building appears to have been well-maintained.

"Our members sincerely appreciate that the Church has been a valued member of the community for many years, and truly hope that it will be able to sustain itself for many years to come. I have also heard a number of questions about the accuracy of some of the

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The Hermon Baptist Church in Old Town is getting this new lease on life as a born-again modern dance studio for the Giordano Dance Co.

Old Town church finds new life in bubble

A former Old Town church is finding new life under a glass and metal bubble.

The Hermon Baptist Church, 1754 N. Clark St., is getting this new lease on life as a born-again modern dance studio for Chicago's Giordano Dance Co., which is going to be enveloped in an angular glass and metal exoskeleton.

A recently announced proposal calls for the historic 142-year-old church's brick facade to be wrapped in an architecturally bold bubble designed by Chicago's bKL Architecture.

Founded by retired dancer Gus Giordano in 1963, the dance organization bought the property in April. Crain's Chicago reported that the asking price back then was \$3.5 million, down from \$4.1 million in July 2016 when the congregation put the building back on the market. That was only after the next-door condo building's board stopped a developer's plans to

build condos on the site. Crain's Dennis Rodkin reported that the Kennelly Square condo board owns the air rights over part of the church's site, so it had veto power over any plans to build higher than the existing church building.

The proposed glass structure will rise only slightly higher than the existing church—a bone of contention among neighboring condo owners that derailed that earlier high-rise plan. The dance company says the new site would be renovated into performance, office and program space and they have also filed an application with the City to include ground floor retail space and a rooftop terrace. Giordano would presumably move all operations to the church structure, which was built sometime after 1875 and was occupied by the Society for the New Jerusalem before being sold to Hermon in 1904. No word yet as to when the project aims to break ground.



Wreaths for lions

The wreathing of the lions has been a tradition at the Art Institute of Chicago for more than 25 years. This year that takes place 10 a.m. Nov. 24.

Spectators are invited to watch

as cheery holiday wreaths are placed on the regal lion statues on the museum steps, then those who wish can head inside for art-making activities.

Neighbors balk at zoning change for old railway right-of-way



It was standing room only at the Little Sisters of the Poor auditorium as developer Zeb Solomon laid out his plans for the 1307 W. Belden site. Most in the room didn't appear to share his vision.

STORY AND PHOTO
BY PATRICK BUTLER

A community consensus on whether to grant a zoning change to allow developer Zeb Solomon to put up 13 residences on a 450' long by 40' wide site at 1307 W. Belden Ave. might take a little longer than expected, Ald. Brian Hopkins (2nd) said after a packed Nov. 20 meeting at the Little Sisters of the Poor home at 2325 N. Lakewood Ave.

After the more than two hour meeting attended by more than 100 neighbors – many voicing vocal opposition to Solomon's proposal – Ald. Hopkins said there may not be any need for a follow-up meeting.

Hopkins said he'll be asking the Sheffield Neighbors Assoc., the local Real Estate Review Committee, and two other neighborhood groups that weren't at the meeting for their reaction to Solomon's proposal.

"I think we can collect their thoughts within a month or so and I can take a position on whether to grant the necessary residential zoning," Hopkins said.

The 450' long by 40' wide site is currently zoned M 1-2 from the days when much of that neighborhood had been devoted to light

manufacturing and industry.

"What we're proposing is a low-density residential zoning," Solomon said, noting that the property owned by his family is part of a onetime railroad spur.

But "if we can't support this project, I don't think another meeting would be necessary. And if we can, I think there would still be so many conditions brought up tonight that would require some significant changes," Hopkins said after a number of neighbors wondered if Solomon's project wouldn't be too dense for the quiet Victorian-era residential community.

"This could work in Andersonville, but not here in Lincoln Park, another man said, while another property owner fretted over what "lesser valued homes" would do to their own property values.

Residents' concerns included whether fire trucks and ambulances would be able to make their way through the one street some of the neighbors say is little more than a narrow alley.

Others wondered how the city would be able to get a snowplow through that alley.

That's the least of your problems, said the alderman, noting

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Thanksgiving offers breathing room and celebration of who we are



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

Have you ever dropped the bird? Spilled the spuds? Burnt the yams or let the gravy go cold? Not even a disaster in the kitchen can put me off the Pilgrims' annual feast.

Thanksgiving is my favorite holiday. Philosophically and culinarily. Without taking itself too seriously, it's hard to match it for its sheer enjoyment. And taste. A national day of rejoicing, yet capable of sustaining a lot of built-in elasticity. Thanksgiving permits leverage that Christmas won't allow. It seems to carry a lot of breathing room. Freedom is part and parcel of the day. Its expectations are reasonable, measured, without much psychological baggage.

It is often a really good day for friends, your in-laws, or neighbors down the block.

Around a family table, decidedly an item that is pure American kosher if we ever had one, relatives and friends and acquaintances gather in an annual celebration of who we are, held together by the glue of long memory.

My Irish grandmother, Rebecca O'Gorman, presiding over the excess of turkey and her perfect stuffing, like she had been the caterer at Plymouth Rock. She blessed Aunt Pat's gravy with a celestial calibration that guaranteed it would overflow. She mixed generously with the unfolding of ancient customs created on a foreign soil. Even as young as I was,

I knew she loved adding a layer of religious venire to what I knew was a secular feast. She had tables set in extra rooms, deemed dining rooms for the day. All awash in crisp, white, Irish linen, the product of her summer travels and duty free shopping. She'd also dug out extra china so each guest had a set.

Hers was a house for serious cooking from which flawless entertaining flowed. But I always suspected some of that was due to my father's bartending skills. He would always arrive early and shake-up a batch of Brandy Alexanders before your coat was off. That was important because my grandmother made sure there were always piles of clergy in attendance for her feasts, with an assortment of her pious cousins, Christian Brothers from Ireland who taught at assorted high schools on the South Side. I remember they would always remove their stiff, white Roman collars before placing their favorite order from my pop who usually induced them to sample the Brandy Alexanders the minute their toe was in the door. Someone always remarked, "You know I can only drink one of these." Of course, I knew it wasn't one of the brothers.

The arrivals of guests seemed to go on forever. Assorted relations, and then my first cousins' boisterous entry. Their hijinks ensured that there would be no end to the mayhem after the sleep-induced turkey comas following dessert. Assorted shirt-tail relations trickled in, along with a few of my grandparents' cousins and family acquaintances, characters my family had collected over the years.

I remember always feeling cozy, an indispensable ingredient at family gatherings, as important as the turkey. The windows always seemed to be steamed-up with the



Thanksgiving love and shoehorn dining.

warmth. The air rich with the succulent fragrances of the kitchen. Loaves of warm, homemade Irish soda bread with raisins and caraway, on stand-by, ready to melt butter and remind us from where we had come.

I used to think that our family was like the Pilgrims themselves, landing on America's shore and celebrating this national day of feasting because we appreciated the grandeur of a large excessive family meal. And because we had so many guests. For me, the Christian Brothers were the Indians, the guests of honor at the feast. Because we knew that if anything, the day was about making room at the table. And sharing the food we loved. Realizing that we were part of a wild experiment in hospitality and grace, certain we were better cooks than the Pilgrims, and, of course, far more comical.

Writer G.K. Chesterton once famously remarked, "In America, they have a feast to celebrate the arrival of the Pilgrims. Here in England, we should have a feast to celebrate their departure."

In America, history has presented the Pilgrims as holy dissenters who simply wanted the freedom to live out their lives in humble faith. In point of fact, they were rough

and angry iconoclasts who sought to wipe out the last vestiges of Catholic piety in Henry VIII's Church of England. They were nasty and vocal fundamentalists who had no time for ecclesiastical niceties or liberal views of biblical thought or vestments.

Or England's Royals, for that matter.

They saw creation, the world and the humans who lived in it as sinful and flawed beings. For them, redemption was a costly endeavor in their big, round hats and black clothing. They embraced a painful and bitter way of life and were partial to witch burning.

Ironically, their cold, emotionless, guilt-sodden way of life prepared them perfectly for survival, here, in the New World. They had what it took to settle in the American wilderness. And they survived, and learned the lesson of shared work and the shared table, indispensable in the wilderness of New England. From them came, eventually, our American sense of dignity, justice and fair-play. Though I suspect few Pilgrims would recognize their understanding of such virtues in our modern culture.

I always host my family and friends on Christmas Day. Only

twice have I hosted Thanksgiving. The last time was about 12 years ago when I invited the Irish Consul General and the Consulate staff for Thanksgiving dinner, along with some folk from the British Consulate. It was a kind of Peace Pipe smoking exercise. It all came off flawlessly. I suspect it was all the cold Clicquot and the roasted oysters that we began the meal with. For many years I did Thanksgiving with my boss's family when I worked at City Hall. That was a great brouhaha of family and friends. Very tasty food. With our host always looking for "hot gravy."

This year I will be with friends who will host a huge crowd of family and friends. All know their way around the kitchen. All superb Italian cooks. So there will be homemade ravioli and the wines will be first class. The feast will be traditional with continuous refinements of longtime favorites.

I will carry my memories of Grandma O'Gorman's Thanksgivings with me wherever I go. The perfect turkey and stuffing, Old World and buttery. I still adore her creamy spuds and the sophisticated turnips that I have loved since childhood. And classic homemade cranberries, tart and tangy, that I was always adding extra brandy to. But I have evolved into a strict traditionalist in what goes on my plate. Not too many items to clutter or New Age additions. I will take a pass on the kale and other non-traditional vegetables, along with any funky sweet potatoes.

I won't refuse a Brandy Alexander, though. Or the chance to hear sweet, ancient Irish tunes lifting the lyrical level of sound at our own Chicago version of Plymouth

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Heart of the 'Hood

By Felicia Dechter

There is so much for my family and I to be grateful for this holiday season. For one thing, my husband and I -- both battling cancer -- are still around after enduring grueling treatments. I have also had my own subsequent problems after 33 days of radiation including a bad bout of bronchitis and dealing with the most painful illness I've ever experienced in my life, shingles.

Still, it's good to be alive and kicking. We're both very thankful for that.

But what we've now been focusing on is making memories... ones that will last a lifetime with our children and our three little granddaughters, Jordan, 4, Shannon, soon-to-be 3, and Sydney, 2. Last Saturday I did just that and took the older two girls, Jordan and Shannon, to see the classic Brothers Grimm fairy tale, "Sleeping Beauty," at the Marriott Theatre for Young Audiences in Lincolnshire.

The hour-long musical adaptation by Marc Robin was well-worth the 45-minute drive. We just had to go because "Sleeping Beauty" was also the childhood favorite of Jordan and Shannon's mom, my oldest daughter, Tedi, who also went. You have no idea how many times I had to watch the Disney version of "Sleeping Beauty" over and over again!

The colorful, musical fairy tale has been



The colorful, musical fairy tale, Sleeping Beauty, has been modernized and is filled with unconventional personalities, broken rules and quests aplenty.

Photo courtesy of Liz Lauren Photography

modernized and is filled with unconventional personalities, broken rules and quests aplenty. It takes place in a far away kingdom, where the vengeful sorceress, Magenta, has placed a wicked curse on the beautiful Princess Amber. And as we all know, only true love's kiss can unlock the spell and wake her before it's too late. To save Princess Amber, the nerdy but lovable Prince Hunter must battle dragons, scale mountains, and sail the dark sea.

All of the acting and singing was wonderful, and a couple of things really stood out. I loved when there was interaction between those on stage and the audience. And Shannon loved the scary dragon, which Jordan hid from.

I also really admired that the king and fairies and the princess and prince and even the evil Magenta all had names of colors. There

was King Lapis, and fairies Marigold, Periwinkle, and Ruby. Princess Amber, Prince Hunter, and even an elf-like creature named Topaz.

But there was a reason for the colorful names, which at the end you find out. You see, the wicked Magenta had been banished from the kingdom for decades because she was purple and that color is not allowed there. Yet once Princess Amber is woken up by Prince Hunter's kiss, the king declares a new rule, that all colors are now allowed in the kingdom.

In other words, no one will be left out because of their color. I thought that was a particularly wonderful lesson and a great way to teach the kids early about inclusion.

"Sleeping Beauty" runs most Wednesdays through Sundays at 10 a.m. with certain performances at 12:30 p.m. I hope

those of you with little ones in your life can catch the show and make some of your own memories this holiday season.

Here's wishing you a happy, healthy and memorable Thanksgiving.

Shopping the 'hood... I love, love, love the holiday rebate program that the Rogers Park Business Alliance offers with its Live Love Shop event. If you collect \$100 or more in receipts from at least four different independently-owned businesses within Rogers Park from Nov. 24 through Dec. 31, you get a \$25 rebate. Do the same spending \$150 or more and you get a rebate of \$50.

"In 2016, shoppers spent over \$40,579 at our independently-owned businesses," said Ana Bermudez, marketing and events manager for the RPBA. "This resulted in approximately \$27,594 that stayed in our local economy. If these dollars were spent outside of Rogers Park only \$17,449 would have stayed in Rogers Park."

How does it affect Rogers Park economically? "It means that more money is circulated in the neighborhood via tips to employees, salaries and community donations," said Bermudez. "It also has a positive impact on the environment by reducing pollution. And small businesses support one another by shopping locally too. By shopping and supporting locally owned business shoppers are helping Rogers Park become a vibrant community." It's a great deal, and the money obviously stays in the community. But you really have to shop the community's mom and pop places.

Some of my favorites: Rogers Park Center for Massage Therapy, where owner Karen Werner gives the best massage ever. Smack Dab, which has sweet pastries and a limited but delish menu; Twisted Tapas, very yummy tapas; Rogers Pier, awesome

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POP transforms empty Lakeview storefronts

If you've walked down the 2900 block of Lincoln Ave. lately, you may have noticed new neighborhood attractions popping up in storefronts that have long been shuttered.

Vacant storefronts have plagued the stretch of Lincoln Ave. north of Diversey for well over a decade, but now a new program called POP at the Lincoln Hub will provide a temporary relief from all that emptiness.

POP presents a rotating series of creative pop-up spaces that showcase local artists, makers and merchants.

Underwritten by property taxes collected by the Lakeview Chamber of Commerce and Special Service Area 27, POP provides creative individuals and small businesses with an opportunity to test new ideas while creating an ever-changing attraction in the stretch of Lincoln Ave. between Diversey and Belmont. The program works by temporarily activating vacant and underutilized storefronts until a long-term lease is signed. By filling these spaces with merchants and artists that create interest on the street, the Lakeview Chamber is making available storefronts on the street a more valuable, hoping they ten become more attractive places to do business.

POP is launching as a pilot program with two participants: a Milwaukee-based men's shop called Milworks at 2933 N. Lincoln Ave., and an art installation by local artist Molly Z at 2962 N. Lincoln Ave.

For more information call 773-472-7171.

Home shoppers looking for deals, but sellers in short supply



The Home Front

By Don DeBat

Lincoln Park reclaims North Center's lead on \$1M+ home sales

Prospective home and condominium buyers were standing in line in October, looking for deals in Chicago and surrounding suburbs, but not enough sellers provided attractive real estate listings, analysts say.

"The lack of inventory continues holding back sales, but demand for homes remains strong," observed Chris Calomino, spokesperson for RE/MAX Northern Illinois.

The market for condos, townhomes and cooperative apartments was especially strong in October, when attached sales accounted for 37.1% of the Chicago-area sales, RE/MAX reported. Last October, attached homes accounted for 35.5% of October sales.

"Whether a home is attached or detached, we're hearing from our brokers that properties in good condition and reasonably priced are selling quite quickly," Calomino said.

mino said. "We expect an active market through the holiday season and into 2018."

RE/MAX reported that 872 detached single-family homes sold in Chicago in October, a gain of 3.3% over October of 2016. The median price gained 0.5% to \$220,000.

Some 1,211 attached homes—condominiums, townhomes and coop units—sold in October. The median price in Chicago rose a solid 5.7%.

In the seven-county Chicago metropolitan area, sales rose 2.7% to 8,931 units and the median sales price gained 2.3% to \$224,000. However there was a 9.2% decline in listings.

The average time a home sold in October spent on the market in the Chicago area before finding a buyer fell to 74 days from 83 days one year earlier. It is the shortest average market time for October since RE/MAX began tracking that data in 2005.

The home sales data used for their analysis is collected by Midwest Real Estate Data, the regional multiple listing service, which covers homes sales in Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry and Will counties.

Earlier, the RE/MAX Luxury Report on Metro Chicago Real Estate reported Lincoln Park led the city in million-dollar sales of condos, townhomes and co-ops, and reclaimed the lead from North Center in sales of million-dollar detached homes.

According to the report, 34 condos, townhomes and co-ops sold for \$1 million or more in Lincoln Park from July through September—a 79% increase from the same period a year ago. The median price was \$1.35 million, up 15% from the same period last year.

Forty-five single-family luxury homes sold for \$1-million or more in the third quarter of 2017 in Lin-



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coln Park, up 7.1% percent from the same period last year. The median price was \$1.66 million, up 5.4%.

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Other top Chicago neighborhoods for million-dollar houses included Lakeview with 32 sales at a median price of \$1.53 million, and West Town, with 28 sales at a median price of \$1.24 million.

While affordable home listings are a problem in the Chicago area, house hunters also are starting to worry about mortgage-rate creep.

Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey reported on

Nov. 16 that average benchmark 30-year fixed-rate mortgages moved to 3.95%, up from 3.90% a week earlier and the highest mark since July. A year ago at this time, 30-year fixed loans averaged 3.94%.

Fifteen-year fixed loans averaged 3.31% on Nov. 16, up from 3.24% a week earlier. A year ago at this time, the 15-year fixed-loan average was 3.14%.

"Rates increased last week. The 10-year Treasury yield ticked up six basis points, while the 30-year mortgage rate jumped five basis points to 3.95%," noted Sean Beckett, chief economist for Freddie Mac. "Today's survey rate is the highest rate in nearly four months."

Currently, mortgage shoppers can expect to pay a range of 3.756% to 3.979% for a 30-year fixed-rate loan this week, according to RateShopper.com.

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seafood (I usually get a pound of snow crabs in the lemon pepper sauce and their Rogers Pier fried rice is stupendous); JB Alberto's; Rogers Park Florist; Rogers Park Provisions... and there are plenty more that I know I'm forgetting.

Sweet 16... Returning for its 16th year is Second City's 24-hour improv and music marathon, Nov. 20 through 21 in the Second City e.t.c. Theater, 1608 N. Wells St. The non-stop event, named "24 Hour: It'll Make You Feel Better," features a lineup of Second City's lauded alumni, as well as special guests from the worlds of comedy, theater, and music.

Entry is \$20 (cash only) as long as seats are available. Proceeds support families from the locally-based [www.onwardhouse.org/] Onward Neighborhood House as part of its Letters to Santa program. And many thanks to Second City, which has raised more than \$1 million for the organization, which empowers families and people in need to achieve their full potential in a community-based setting.

A very cool private concert with Jeff Tweedy will be up for



Come check out the Late, Late Craft Show on Friday.

live auction during the show. One lucky attendee will win one of the Grammy winner's legendary private, acoustic living room shows -- 30 songs of the winning bidder's choice, played live for 30 guests.

Other items will be up for auction at Charitybuzz.com, including "Saturday Night Live" tickets, a backstage tour and tickets to "The Opposition with Jordan Klepper," a private poker lesson with two-time gold bracelet winner Brandon Shack-Harris, and a record shopping experience with singer-songwriter Steve Albini.

Should be loads of fun for those needing a good laugh!

Falalalala... Support local artists while enjoying Irish comfort food, your favorite spirits and holly jolly music at the 6th annual Late, Late Craft Show, being held from 5 to 10 p.m. Friday night inside Mrs. Murphy & Sons Irish Bistro, 3905 N. Lincoln Ave. Check out all the handmade/local goods, perfect for those on your shopping list. The first 50 people through the door get a grab bag full of goodies.

EPA forces emissions testing at General Iron in Lincoln Park

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency [EPA] has issued a letter requiring General Iron, 1909 N. Clifton Ave., to conduct detailed emissions testing. This request, called a Section 114 (a) of the Clean Air Act request, is a broad demand for information which could, if violations are found, lead to enforcement actions.

Within the next six months, EPA is requiring General Iron to measure volatile organic compounds, particulates and metals being discharged from the plant. Testing protocols must be approved in advance by EPA, and will likely include air quality monitoring stations.

The company has been given 180 days to complete the testing and an additional 30 days after that to submit that testing to the government. The EPA will be looking at operating parameters of their metal shredders, including feed and water flow rates, shredder amperage and auto and non-auto shredding, and seeking information on general facility operations.

During budget hearings in City Hall, Ald. Michele Smith [43rd] sought and received a public promise from City officials that personnel will be assigned to specifically monitor air quality conditions arising from the North Branch corridor, including General Iron.

In Dec. 2015 the North Side metal scrapper had a fire at the scrap yard that caused loud explosions and threw large plumes of dark smoke into the morning air. Chicago Fire Dept. officials immediately declared a Level 1 hazmat situation after detecting the presence of toxic and corrosive chemicals. Shortly after that fire Ald. Smith and Ald. Brian Hopkins [2nd] called for the closure of the facility. No one was injured in the fire.

According to city officials, the site lacks a sufficient drainage

system, so thousands of gallons of water that was used to douse a 70 ft. high pile of combustible material drained into the North Branch of the Chicago River, carrying

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with it a plume of contaminants of an unknown nature.

The alderman is now asking nearby neighbors who feel they may have experienced issues attributed to this company or any other company in the area to call her office at 773-348-9500. "This process will be lengthy, but we intend to document as many incidents as possible," said Ald. Smith.

Do-It-Yourself Messiah

A Do-It-Yourself Messiah is at 7 p.m. Dec. 18-19 at the Harris Theater for Music and Dance in Millennium Park, 201 E. Randolph St. This is the 42nd year of the event, which brings together a conductor, soloists, an all-volunteer orchestra of local professionals and amateur musicians, and 1,500 audience members in a performance of Handel's Messiah. Admission is \$15.

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Clint Byers was an Army intelligence officer targeted by the Taliban.

Army veteran targeted by Taliban, overcomes PTSD with a shot

Army Captain and high-level intelligence officer suffered PTSD for four years. Two years after receiving stellate ganglion block, no symptoms.

A safe, cost-effective medical procedure conducted by Loop-based physician Dr. Eugene Lipov is being credited with reversing the symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) in more than 500 patients over a decade, half of whom are veterans and active duty military personnel.

"Twenty-two veterans commit suicide every day, most of whom suffer from some form of post-traumatic stress," said Dr. Lipov.

"The treatment I provide is safe, proven, painless and inexpensive.

Dr. Lipov's patients credit him and the stellate ganglion block (SGB) for saving their lives, including Army Captain (Sep.) Clint Byers, a high-level intelligence officer who had a bounty on his head and was targeted for assassination by the Taliban while serving in Afghanistan.

"It's been two years since I received the SGB treatment and my life has completely turned around," said Byers. "You learn to accept the graphic nature of violence in war. But when I was told that the Taliban had a put a hit out on me, my brain and body began to react in unfamiliar and scary ways."

Byers had six months left "in country" but began to experience anxiety, panic and a "hyper-awareness" of the violent attacks he had witnessed – and been victim to – during his deployment. Fearing for his own life, Byers returned home and began a four-year battle with paranoia, nightmares, alcoholism and both physical and mental anguish. Ultimately, Byers successfully traversed the Veteran's Administration's healthcare quagmire and, not surprisingly, was diagnosed with severe PTSD. Despite medication and therapy, he couldn't seem to find a solution for his symptoms until he sought treatment from Dr. Lipov.

"I was despondent, acting irre-

sponsibly and drinking heavily. I didn't want to be around my family and had given up on suggested treatments for my PTSD," said Byers. "My parents saw Dr. Lipov's show on [TV] and asked me to go see him. I was skeptical, but I went to appease them. The SGB procedure has been completely life-changing. Today, I am back to the man I was before war."

Dr. Lipov injected a local anesthetic called bupivacaine, more commonly used as an epidural anesthetic during childbirth, next to the so-called sympathetic nervous tissue, which induces the body's "fight or flight" response. Since then, Byers' anxiety has dropped significantly. Stellate ganglion block is a minimally invasive procedure that takes approximately 15 minutes to administer and has a success rate of more than 80%. Dr. Lipov conducts the federally-approved procedure in the downtown Chicago office of Advanced Pain Centers, where he serves as medical director. He also serves as Chief Science Officer of the Global Post-Traumatic Stress Injury Foundation based outside of Charlotte, North Carolina.

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Eugene G. Lipov M.D.

traumatic stress," said Dr. Lipov. "The treatment I provide is safe, proven, painless and inexpensive. I have treated hundreds of veterans (and others) who have the same experience as Capt. Byers – their symptoms go away, leading to dramatic improvements in their lives, experiences and relationships."

The Foundation has raised money and treated hundreds of veterans at no cost to the patients. Dr. Lipov hopes to continue raising awareness of how the SGB can successfully help those suffering from PTSD as well as military sexual trauma (MST). For more information visit www.healinghero.org.



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Chicago History Museum

Chicago's legendary association with organized crime is mostly due to the meteoric rise, violent reign, and humiliating fall of Al Capone, America's most famous gangster.

John Russick will contextualize the Prohibition Era in Chicago and Lincoln Park and explain Capone's impact on the city's identity. Russick will use—and share with the audience—a new virtual reality app that explores the city's and Lincoln Park's most notorious unsolved crime.

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Rock.
Centuries ago, in the New England colony of Pilgrims, the Thanksgiving feast was aptly described in that early 17th century era as it still should be today, "A spetiall (sic) instrument sent of God for their good beyond their expectations."
Happy Thanksgiving to you all.



Jennifer Schultz and Patrick Doherty nuptially blessed.



Former NBC newsie Mary Laney and Col. (ret.) Oliver North.



WREATHING THE MANES: Be there at the Art institute 10 a.m., Nov. 24 for the 26th annual Wreathing of the Lions, a gracious Chicago holiday custom. My favorite, bring a toddy along. Then visit inside the AIC for the Neapolitan Creche, the wondrous Nativity display from early 18th Century Italy.

WHITE SOX: "Jungle Jim" Rivera, an outfielder on the 1959 "Go-Go" White Sox pennant-winning team, has died. He was 96 years old. The team says he died Monday night in Fort Wayne, IN. He gave Chicago pride and delight.

TRANSFER PLEASE! What was going on last week during rush hour on the #147 Lake Shore Dr. Express? Passengers say two strangers became entangled and caught up on the back of the jam-packed extendo-bus. There was a great deal of smooching and groping to the consternation of the CTA passengers. (Hello, **Terry Peterson?**) The couple ceased

activities just as the bus arrived at the Saddle and Cycle Club at Marine Dr. and Foster Ave. where they made a quick exit, much to the stunned ridership. Many broke out in applause sending a mixed message for sure. That's certainly getting your \$2.25 worth on the CTA.

UP THE AISLE: The bride carried white roses and myrtle and the groom beamed bright as **Jennifer Schultz** and **Patrick Doherty** said their vows recently to the delight of their legions of friends. Yes, that was a tear in best man **Michael Kerrigan's** eye.

CSO NEWS: **Riccardo Muti** and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra teamed up last week with Russian pianist **Kirill Gerstein** to perform Brahms' titanic First Piano Concerto, Puccini's stirring *Preludio Sinfonico* and Strauss' charming orchestral showpiece

Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme. And signed CD's of their past performance together for fans at a special reception. Bravo!

FINE ART: Don't miss the solo exhibition "Fine Romance, a Marriage of Color and Form." The exquisite paintings of Chicago's **Layne Jackson** at Ampersand and Laura Ellsworth Gallery at 3317 W. Fullerton, now through Dec. 10. Breathtaking works.

BEEN THERE: Hello? Just asking! Does anyone still go to Fig and Olive anymore? Has the temperature cooled there? Just asking!

THEY'RE ALL HERE: Front and center were **Linda Heister**, **Myra Reilly**, **Mamie Walton**, **Biba Roche**, **Megan McKinney**, and **Hazel Barr** lunching in Booth One at Ralph Lauren Bar and Grill and getting caught up. Nearby **Sarah Q. Crane** and Parisian friend **Dimitri Papalexis** also lunching at RL, while New York's **Tom Farley**, "Mr. Manners," and yours truly chatted away the afternoon with crab cakes and iced tea at RL. Still the place to be seen.

WHO'S WHERE? Songstress



Songstress Denise Tomasello and Bobbi Panter.

Denise Tomasello and **Bobbi Panter**, very glam indeed, dinnering at RL... **Steven Zick** stopping in the British paradise of Bermuda before returning to Chicago after the madcap DaVinci sale at Christie's New York that saw "Salvator Mundi" go for \$450 million... Gibson's **Peggy Lombaro**, the Lodge's **Lynn McKeaney** and **Kathy Taylor** fish-dining at **Matt Moore's** Ocean Cut... **Sean Eschaghy** dining at Les Nomades... **Bobbi Panter** on the go, shopping along the canals in Venice, Italy... **Jim Kinney**, **Peggy Snorf** and **Brian White** lookin' smart and dressed to the nines... **Barb Bailey** and her "gang," **Irene Michaels**, **Mike Pontarelli**, **Joyce Selander**, **Tracey Gabel** and **Frank-Joan D'Rone** at Gibson's Bar for a little reunion... **Cynthia**



Barb Bailey and her "gang:" Irene Michaels, Mike Pontarelli, Joyce Selander, Tracey Gabel and Frank-Joan D'Rone at Gibson's Bar reunion.



Linda Heister, Myra Reilly, Mamie Walton, Biba Roche, Megan McKinney, and Hazel Barr lunching in Booth One at Ralph Lauren Bar and Grill.

Olson continuing her Burma journey paddling up the Irrawaddy River in exotic South East Asia... Antiquer **Bruce Travette** delighting in his acquisition of a Barcelona Chair... Former NBC newsie **Mary Laney** and **Col. (ret.) Oliver North** at recent conference... **Edmund Lester** downstate at the Green Acres Sportsman's Club with shotguns, dogs and ducks... **Jolanta Ruege** with **Michele Mondra**, author of "Wine Country Woman of Napa Valley" at her book signing party hosted at Escada Boutique on Oak Street... actor **John T. O'Brien** enjoying all the exposure that his new Pizza Hut commercial is bringing.

SEMPER UBI SUB UBI: What Chicago elected official is in a pickle? It seems an office worker he sometimes takes out for dinner when "working" is in possession of a pair of masculine undergarments that could be headed for the lost and found. She says forensics should be able to conclusively prove that they belong to her boss. His wife, who has just found out about this, is none too pleased. But so far she is standing by her man trying to keep the lid on and the press away. Can they "**Harvey Weinstein**" the office worker? Or is she talking a book deal?

HE'S ALIVE: Did a recent Avian emergency just alter the love lives of two well-known Chicago celebrities? When one of the "bird lady's" pricey budgies was lying on its back, she panicked and ran for help. Neighbors opened their doors, and one very handsome man announced that he was a surgeon. He offered to take a look at her bird. Using a warm water plunge in make-shift bath in a silver bowl he was able to revive the bird and soon had its feathers flapping, to the relief of the anxious owner. The doctor and his neighbor are now a coo-some twosome.

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DECEMBER SHOW OF SHOWS: An evening of music and comedy by **Barb Bailey** at Davenport's Piano Bar on Milwaukee Ave. in the back show-room from 8 to 9 p.m. It's the long-awaited venue for the breakout performance of the season for the talented music agent and manager. Long a favorite of her local fans, it will light the wick on the holidays at the Wicker Park location. Make plans now. **Dakota Horvath** will join in the singing that will also commemorate the birthday of old Blue Eyes, **Frank Sinatra**.

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Remember this? Typewriters like this locally made model- along with carbon paper - were commonplace in offices not so long ago.

Made in Chicago makes it to Edgewater Museum



Andrew Clayman discusses one of the vintage adding machines he's showing at the "Made in Chicago" show running through next April at the Edgewater Historical Society.



Household items made in Chicago - some like the Morton's Salt container - are part of Andrew Clayman's collection now being shown at the Edgewater Historical Society.

STORY AND PHOTOS BY PATRICK BUTLER

What's the difference between a collector and pack rat?

"Being able to set parameters," explained Andrew Clayman, as he led a tour of his more than 200 everyday artifacts dating from around 1900 to 1970 now on display at the Edgewater Historical Society and Museum, 5358 N. Ashland Ave., through next April.

It all started a few years ago when the longtime Uptown/Edgewater resident picked up a scale at a second-hand shop in Andersonville and soon started collecting antique tools, toys, telephones, and typewriters.

Eventually his one-bedroom apartment was filled with everything from Zenith radios, a few Schwinn bikes, and even some Maybelline mascara - all with one thing in common. They were all made in Chicago.

He's got Lincoln Logs, Tootsie Toy cars, Radio Flyer wagons, Bell and Howell cameras, a 100-year-old Oliver typewriter, and a telephone from the early 1900s made by the Swedish American Co. in Andersonville.

All locally made here in Chicago, mostly on the North Side, pointed out Clayman. On his website each item is described in

1,300-1,400 word features, with pictures, backgrounds and supplemental interviews that provided a snapshot of what daily life was like at the time.

One local standby in the collection found it wise to change its name from Japp's to Jay's potato

Zenith radios, incidentally, started around 1919 in an apartment on Carmen Ave., Clayman said, noting that the founder of what eventually became a giant corporation first started doing business at the kitchen table.

chips after the attack on Pearl Harbor, he added. The North Side's own widely popular Dad's Root Beer operated out of a good-sized plant at 2827 N. Washtenaw Ave., he added.

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And he wasn't the only one, Clayman said, recalling how Abbot Laboratories was likewise born in a small Ravenswood apartment and Bell and Howell got its start around the same time

not far away.

Of course, just about everyone remembers Bell and Howell, not only for its quality cameras and other optical equipment, but its onetime president Charles Percy, who grew up in Rogers Park and eventually became a U.S. senator and erstwhile presidential candidate, Clayman said. Some people may remember Bell and Howell projectors used for showing home movies ranging from abbreviated versions of popular feature films to travelogues and even newsreels showing the latest news from the front during World War II, said Clayman during a recent gallery talk at the Edgewater Historical Society.

And although Maybelline cosmetics -- named for founder Tom Lyle's sister -- has long since moved far from its birthplace, its office and manufacturing plant was once headquartered in a building that still stands on the 5900 block of Ridge Ave.

You can still see an M (for Maybelline) on the front door, Clayman said. The Edgewater Historical Society is open from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Admission is free.

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Dumping trees and landscape debris in garbage cans costs the City more for landfill tipping fees, and there is a state law prohibiting

the dumping of landscape materials in garbage. Christmas Trees are also a fire danger when left in alleys at the end of the holiday season so the message is: if you buy it, you recycle it.

This year the City's Christmas Tree Recycling Program will run from Jan. 3-21, 2018, at 24 parks across the city. The trees collected will be shredded and turned into mulch that's used by the Chicago Park District and also made available to Chicago residents free of charge.

Only natural trees are accepted, and because the trees will become mulch all tinsel, ornaments, lights and the stand must be removed. Remove plastic bags before putting trees in the recycling stalls.

In 2016, Christmas tree recycling in Chicago jumped nearly 10% bringing the grand total of trees mulched to 19,653 that kept more than 650,000 pounds out of landfills and gave our soil some love instead.



Kim Schilf (LPCC), Nada Riley (2017 Neighborhood Champion).



Victory Gardens Biograph Theatre, 2433 N. Lincoln Ave.



Ald. Michele Smith (43rd), Karen Cardarelli with Emerald City Theater (2017 Neighborhood Champion), Kim Schilf (LPCC).



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Best of Lincoln Park awards winners announced

The Lincoln Park Chamber of Commerce (LPCC) announced the Best of Lincoln Park Award winners at a ceremony hosted by Patti Vasquez Nov. 13 at Victory Gardens Biograph Theatre, 2433 N. Lincoln Ave. Winners were nominated and chosen by public voting.

In addition, the LPCC also presented two Neighborhood Champion Awards; one to a resident and one to an organization or business. This award honors their positive impact in the community.

The resident Neighborhood Champion Award was given to Nada Riley and the organization Neighborhood Champion Award was given to Emerald City Theatre.

The winners

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Telling stories about the recently deceased

The Chicago Headline Club will be offering a special screening of the documentary "Obit. Life on Deadline" which brings the work of obituary writers at the New York Times to life, following them as they race to compose the life stories of the recently-departed.

The screening will be held 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, at the Lake Street Screening Room, 70 E. Lake St., 16th Floor. Tickets are \$15.

There are only a handful of editorial obituary writers in the world, few who are better than those at The Times, where obits have become some of the best writing in journalism. Obits are first drafts of contemporary history and neatly framed vignettes of worlds that will vanish along with their notable subjects.

This film - which only had a limited theatrical release - is the first documentary to look into the world of editorial obituaries, in-



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North Side's Holiday theater and events

BY CAROLE KUHRT BREWER

No Surprise, Chicago Theaters are putting together an amazing line-up of holiday and winter programming. You'll find everything from traditional holiday fare to the classics and the irreverent.

Chicago's favorite cross-dressing reindeer is back at **Hell in a Handbag Productions' Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer** at Mary's Attic, 5400 N. Clark St.

Or how about an outdoor production in December, blankets and heaters provided, when the Chicago premiere of **Pine** comes to a real Christmas Tree lot at **Uncommon Ground**, 1401 W. Devon Ave.

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Then there's the the rock musical, **Lizzie**, based on the true-life story of accused axe-murderess Lizzie Borden presented by the **Firebrand Theatre at the Den**, 1333 N. Milwaukee Ave.

Holiday/winter theater is a broad category that doesn't have to be just about Sugar Plum Fairies, Scrooge and Santa Claus -- it can also be any show that makes for an enjoyable theater experience such as the **Lyrical Opera's Pearl Fishers** (through Dec. 10) and **Turandot** (Dec. 5 through Jan. 27, 2018) or **Chicago Shakespeare Theater's Q Brothers Christmas Carol** presented in their new Yard to pre-Broadway blockbusters like **Escape to Margaritaville** from **Broadway in Chicago** or **The Minutes at Steppenwolf** to magical children's theater along with the world's greatest improv from the likes of **Second City** and **IO** there's something out there for everyone.

Here's a look:

Perfect for young theatergoers... give them their first taste of theater at **Emerald City Theatre's Twas The Night Before Christmas** at Broadway Playhouse (through Dec. 31). The "Naughty or Nice" list goes missing and it's up to a pair of dancing mice, a spunky girl, and an Elf-B-I agent to solve the mystery before Santa boards his sleigh.

Traditionalists will want to check out favorites such as **Goodman's A Christmas Carol** (through Dec. 31) and Christopher Wheeldon's critically-acclaimed holiday masterpiece **The Nutcracker** with the Joffrey Ballet at the **Auditorium Theatre** (Dec. 1 - 30).



Pine takes place on an actual Christmas tree lot in Edgewater, 1401 W. Devon Ave. with all the trees coming from Wamhoff Farms in Michigan.

Another of the many productions of **The Nutcracker** is the House Theatre's wholly original, ballet-free, fast paced and family-friendly version at the **Chopin Theatre**, 1443 W. Division, (through Dec. 30) story of two showbiz buddies putting on a show in a picturesque Vermont inn, and finding their perfect mates in the bargain (through Dec. 3).

For 16 years, the **American Blues Ensemble**, 1225 W. Belmont, has treated Chicago audiences to a live 1940s radio broadcast of holiday favorite **It's A Wonderful Life**, the inspiring story that people never seem to get tired of hearing. The incredible cast recreates the entire town of Bedford Falls with Foley sound effects, an original score and holiday carols. The Bedford Falls "residents" extend their hospitality after every performance when audiences are treated to milk and cookies served by the cast (through Dec. 30).

Everybody's favorite witches, one "good," and the other one "wicked" return to Chicago in **Wicked** Dec. 6 through Jan. 21, 2018 at the Oriental Theatre, 24 W. Randolph.

Is two too young? If you are wondering how to introduce a child in your life between ages 2 and 6 to theater, **The Beatrix Potter Holiday Tea Party**, may be just your ticket. The "toddler-timed," 45-minute performance features three enchanting Beatrix Potter stories. Immediately after, kids are invited on the set for 15 minutes to explore and play with the ingenious mechanical "suitcase sculptures" custom-built for

this production, and to meet and pose for photos with the cast and enjoy tea or hot cocoa. Saturdays and Sundays, Dec. 2-17, at **Chicago Children's Theatre**, The Station, 100 S. Racine Ave.

Chicago Shakespeare Theater, 800 E. Grand Ave., and Chicago hip-hop sensation the **Q Brothers**—creators of **Othello: The Remix** and **Funk It Up About Nothin'**—turn up the volume on Charles Dickens' classic tale, mixing everything from reggae, dancehall, and dubstep to epic rock ballads as the ghosts of Hip-hop Past, Present, and Future lead Scrooge on a journey of rhythm, rhyme, and redemption in **Q Brothers Christmas Carol** at their new Navy Pier space **The Yard** at Chicago Shakespeare (through Dec. 31).

The Audience comes to **TimeLine Theatre**, 615 W. Wellington Ave. The production, by Peter Morgan, directed by TimeLine Associate Artistic Director Nick Bowling stars TimeLine Company Member Janet Ulrich Brooks as Queen Elizabeth II. (Nov. 12 through Dec. 3).

Black Ensemble Theater, 4450 N. Clark St., has a treat in store with the original production of **Sammy: The Story Of Sammy Davis Jr.** (Dec. 9 - Jan. 21, 2018). Then get ready to ring in the New Year with **The Annual Black Ensemble New Year's Eve Show**, Dec. 31.

The classic, **Irving Berlin's White Christmas** at the Cadillac Palace Theatre, 151 W. Randolph, tells the story of two showbiz buddies putting on a show in a picturesque Vermont inn, and finding their perfect mates in the bargain (through Dec. 3).

Escape to Margaritaville, the new musical featuring the songs of legendary singer-songwriter-author Jimmy Buffett, plays a limited pre-Broadway engagement, (through Dec. 2) at **Broadway In Chicago's Oriental Theatre**, 24 W. Randolph.

Barney The Elf, musical parody of **Elf** starring Yando Lopez and Chicago drag queen sensation Dixie Lynn Cartwright, returns for the third year to **Greenhouse Theater Center** 2257 N. Lincoln (through Dec. 30).

Puff: Believe It Or Not with **Remy Bumpo Theatre Company** at the Greenhouse Theater Center, 2257 N. Lincoln Ave., explores the salon society of 1840s Paris and is packed full of elegant plotting, quirky characters, fanciful fakery, and just downright lying, as it delightfully skewers the worlds of letters, politics and finance (through Jan. 7, 2018).

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Police Beat....

Man shot on DePaul campus during robbery attempt

A 21-year-old man told police that he was shot during a robbery attempt in a DePaul Univ. parking lot around 8:15 p.m. Nov. 12.

Officially, police said that "the man was standing in an alley when a male offender approached and attempted to rob him. The victim then heard a shot and felt pain."

The victim was taken to Northwestern Memorial Hospital by a friend. He is said to be in good condition with a gunshot wound to his left thigh.

According to sources, the victim reported that he was in a DePaul Univ. parking lot near the Fullerton CTA Red Line when he was attacked in the 900 block of W. Fullerton.

A police source said the victim described the offenders as a Hispanic man wearing a red jacket with marks on the front in the company of a short Hispanic female. They fled the scene in a gray or gold RAV4, the victim said.

DePaul Univ. did not respond to an overnight request for information.

Two men arrested with guns on Recreation Dr.

For the second time this month, police have confiscated an illegal handgun while enforcing the city's park curfew ordinance along Recreation Dr. in Lakeview East.

Officers reported seeing Fabian Cazares, 19, sitting in a vehicle in the 3700 block of Recreation Dr. early Sunday morning. A records check revealed that he had a warrant out for his arrest, police



Fabian Cazares

said today. And a search of Cazares' vehicle turned up a loaded revolver with six live rounds of ammunition, according to authorities.

Cazares, of Brighton Park, is charged with felony aggravated unlawful use of a weapon in a vehicle, misdemeanor possession of ammunition without a firearms owner ID card, and violating the park curfew. He is being held without bail on the warrant.

On Nov. 7, Alberto Nunez, 19, ran from police who approached his vehicle in the 3700 block of Recreation Dr. at 2:30 a.m.

When cops caught up with Nunez in the 500 block of Addison, they found a loaded 9-millimeter Ruger with a defaced serial number in his possession, prosecutors said.

Nunez was charged with felony aggravated unlawful use of a weapon in a vehicle; felony possession of a firearm with a defaced serial number; misdemeanor possession of ammunition without a firearm owner ID card; misdemeanor reckless conduct; and being on Chicago Park District property after hours.

Town Hall District officers have been directed to pay special attention to Recreation Dr. since the arrival of Commander Marc Buslik last November. The area, long an after-hours hangout for gangs, became increasingly violent in recent years.

Golfers on the nearby Sydney Marovitz Golf Course were left stunned



Police warn of rash of robberies in River North and Near North Side

Chicago police have issued a warning on commercial burglary related incidents in River North during early morning hours. In each incident, the offender forces entry through a door/ and or window and enters the business. Once inside, the offender removes computers, laptops, and other property.

Incidents have occurred in the 800 block of N. Dearborn St., Thursday, Nov. 10; on the 200 block of W. Merchandise Mart Plaza, Saturday, Nov. 11; the 100 block of W. Kinzie St., Monday, Nov. 13; 200 block of W. Superior St., Monday, Nov. 13. and the 400 block of W. Huron St., Tuesday, Nov., all during the early morning hours.

The Offenders are described as a male, Hispanic, 5'10", 145 lbs. with black hair in a ponytail.

This alert gives notice to residents of the 18

this summer when a shootout erupted between rival gangs shortly after 8 a.m. on July 23.

A 19-year-old man was shot in the leg near Rec Drive's adjacent tennis courts in June 2016. An errant bullet from that incident flew into the 35th-floor apartment of an 86-year-old man on Lake Shore Dr.

Another shooting in July of last year left a 23-year-old man injured near the landmark clock tower next to the golf course. All of the shootings were connected to predominantly Hispanic gangs.

In April 2016, a Chicago police officer who was handling a routine matter in the 3600 block of Recreation Dr. saw shots being fired on Lake Shore Dr.—and two of the gunshots could be heard on the officer's emergency radio transmission.

FBI: ex-teller got \$126,000 in Lakeview bank robbery

For nearly three minutes, a former employee loaded \$126,520 in cash from a Lakeview Chase Bank vault into a messenger bag while holding two tellers at gunpoint on Nov. 9, police said. Now, a woman has been charged in the case.

Both tellers told investigators that they thought a former employee named Latasha Gamble committed the robbery based on the offender's voice, lips, and other features, an FBI agent said in a court complaint.

Four hours after the Chase located at 3956 N. Sheridan was robbed, a joint FBI-Chicago Police task force arrested Gamble as she reported to her new job at a different Chase branch.

According to reporting on the day of the hold-up, Gamble was arrested at a Boystown-area Chase branch, 3032 N. Clark St.

Before the robbery, Gamble dressed as a disheveled woman and sat in the lobby. Surveillance footage showed Gamble pushing a banker to the ground as the employee entered a secured teller area from the bank lobby, the FBI agent said.

Once in the teller area, Gamble ordered the two employees to enter their dual codes to allow her into the bank vault. One employee entered the wrong code on their initial attempt, but the safe opened on the second try, the FBI said.

While holding the tellers at bay and preventing alarm activation, Gamble piled stack after stack of cash into a large messenger bag. Three minutes

Further north robbery incidents have been reported in the Near North neighborhood. In each incident, the offenders approach the victim(s), push and punch the victims, and then take their personal property. The offenders then flee on foot.

Incidents have occurred on the 0-100 block of W. Delaware Pl., 1:57 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 4; 0-100 block of W. Chestnut St., 3:10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, 200 block of W. Huron St., 1:14 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 5; on the 800 block of N. Dearborn St., 8:50 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14; the 900 block of N. State St., 2:45 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14; 600 block of N. Wells St., 11:54 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14.

Police describe the offenders as three to four male, African Americans, described as being approximately 18-25 years of age, 5'-7" to 6'-2", and weighing 175 to 180 lbs.

later, she fled.

Under questioning, Gamble initially said that she was with a relative at the time of the robbery and that she had a dental appointment later in the day. But she eventually admitted to the heist and said she had told her relative that she was going to do something "stupid," according to the complaint against her.

Gamble is charged with bank robbery while committing an assault.

The cash, which Gamble said she tossed into a dumpster, has not been found.

Another Lincoln Park restaurant robbed at gunpoint

Another Lincoln Park restaurant was robbed at gunpoint after closing time Nov. 14. The hold-up bore similarities to two incidents last month at a nearby late-night taco stand.

Around 11:30 p.m., an armed man entered the back door of Summer House Santa Monica, 1954 N. Halsted, police said. The restaurant had been closed for almost an hour.

The offender made his way to an office area where he put a backpack on the floor and told workers to fill it with cash. He fled the scene with an estimated \$20,000.

Police offered no description of the Summer House robber.

On Oct. 21, an armed robber entered the back door of a Taco Burrito Express at 2540 N. Halsted after hours and took more than \$2,000.

Exactly one week later, the same man returned to the restaurant's back door and attempted to commit a second robbery. But the door was locked this time and he ran away empty-handed. Instead, the suspect robbed a nearby 7-Eleven store.

Police issued an alert after the second robbery attempt that described the suspect as a black man between 28- and 39-years-old who stands 5'-4" to 5'-9" tall and weighs 180-210 lbs. He has a black beard and has been seen wearing a gray hooded sweatshirt with black pants and a black jacket with white lettering on the front and back.

The man has not been officially connected to the Summer House case.

Lakeview butt-pincher now charged with armed robbery of Old Town cabbie

Say hello - again - to Daniel Vargas. He sure has grown up since being featured in this newspaper last year for pinching a woman's butt and having a

fake Green Card and bogus Social Security card in Lakeview.

On Nov. 12, Vargas was riding in a cab through Old Town when he asked to be dropped off in the 1500 block of N. Sedgwick, near the Sedgwick CTA Brown Line station, around 2:45 p.m.

But when the cabbie asked to be paid, Vargas allegedly pulled out a knife and pushed it into the driver's back while demanding money. The 36-year-old driver gave Vargas \$92 and pointed out that the incident was being recorded on a camera.

Vargas proceeded to pull the video camera out of the car and run away, police said. But he didn't get too far. Two Good Samaritans who saw the whole thing go down captured Vargas and held him for cops.



Daniel Vargas

Vargas, who lives in the West Lawn neighborhood, is currently about half-way through a two-year probation sentence that he received for shoplifting at the Best Buy on Michigan Ave. in Nov. 2016.

Last September, Vargas got a lot more than he bargained for when he grabbed a woman's butt in the 1100 block of W. Belmont.

First, the woman called the cops. And, then, she just happened to see Vargas across the street while she was talking to the officers. They arrested him.

Things took a felonious turn for Vargas at the police station. While processing him for battering the woman, cops realized his permanent resident card and Social Security card were fakes.

Police said Vargas admitted to buying the documents "on 26th Street" for \$80 in 2014 so he could seek employment.

Vargas pleaded guilty to felony possession of a fictitious or altered ID and received two-years probation for that case, too.

A mentor of the worst kind

When it comes to robbery, Kateria Thomas, 19, seems to be a fantastic teacher.

Police say the Washington Park woman was walking with a 15-year-old girl in the 700 block of N. State around 2:45 a.m. on Oct. 22.

Thomas allegedly approached a 43-year-old woman, told the victim to hand over her purse, and then punched her in the face.

Wasting no time, the 15-year-old jumped in and took the victim's phone and ran away with Thomas, police said.

One thing that neither Thomas nor the teen is good at is getting away. Both were arrested at the Chicago CTA Red Line station minutes later.

Prosecutors charged Thomas and the juvenile with one count of robbery each.

Thomas is being held without bail due to a prior felony that is awaiting trial. No further information was available about the juvenile.

\$4K taken in Wrigleyville bar burglary

Burglars took an estimated \$4,000 cash from a Wrigleyville bar early Nov. 13 as break-ins appear to be making a come-back in Lakeview East.

No signs of forced entry were found when workers arrived at the Irish Oak bar, 3511 N. Clark St. The business office had been gone through as were a safe and lockbox, according to police.

Since Nov. 10, burglaries have also

been reported in the 1200 block of W. Eddy; the 800 block of W. Aldine, and the 3100 block of N. Racine. About half of the known burglaries involved force being used to enter the premises.

Elsewhere, a creative burglary team heisted premium appliances from the kitchen of a home under construction in the 2000 block of W. George. Workers discovered the missing items when they reported for work the morning of Nov. 13.

Burglar busted by DNA

In Chicago, where police evidence technicians are hard to come by, and where rape kits sometimes wait for years to be tested by a crime lab, there is a bit of a miracle to report: An Uptown man was arrested late last week after a DNA test came back showing that he left genetic material at the scene of a restaurant burglary in 2016.

Otis Phillips, 56, broke into the Tolotzin Mexican restaurant at 4431 N. Broadway, prosecutors said. He



Otis Phillips

ripped out the cash register and took \$450 cash, according to charges.

An employee reporting for work on April 28, 2017, found a front window broken out and the restaurant's cash register lying in an alley.

The restaurant break-in was reported during a wave of similar business burglaries across the North Side.

Chicago police records show that Phillips has been arrested three times for burglary and theft since last summer. He is charged with felony burglary in the restaurant case. Cook County Judge Stephanie Miller ordered him released on a \$25,000 recognizance bond.

Groups of teens beating, robbing people near Grant Park

Groups of teenagers are attacking and robbing people on sidewalks near Grant Park, police said in a community alert late Thursday night. At least five people have been attacked in three separate assaults since Nov. 8.

Victims have been beaten to the ground by up to 10 offenders and then robbed during evening hours, police said. Backpacks, wallets, and purses have been taken in the attacks.

Around 9:30 p.m. on Nov. 8, a victim was robbed in the 200 block of E. Balbo, police said. The offenders were described as two black men 18- to 20-years-old, both about 5'-7" tall and 130 lbs. One wore a black bandana, and the other wore a black baseball hat, according to the alert.

The next night, another victim was robbed in the 100 block of E. Balbo at 9:30 p.m. Police said the attackers were described as seven black males between 15- and 18-years-old.

Most recently, a group of eight to 10 black males and black females between 16- and 20-years-old robbed three victims in the 500 block of S. Michigan Ave. at 8:05 p.m. on Nov. 12, according to information released by police. One 16-year-old girl was arrested and charged with robbery in the case. The other offenders remain at large.

Police are asking anyone with information about the crimes to call Area Central investigators at 312-745-6110.

Carjackings continue unabated

Carjackers took a woman's car at gunpoint near Oz Park in Lincoln Park the evening of Nov. 16. About two hours later, a man was carjacked in River North.



Dyrell Cooper



Tyron Cooper



Fred C. Morris



Jasmine Larkin



Patricia Turnage

Uptown drug sweep targets dealers along Argyle St.

A drug sweep in Uptown yielded five arrests last week. The average age of the offenders? 49-years-old.

Ald. Harry Osterman (48th) said the arrests "[are] an ongoing effort by the Chicago Police Dept. to address violence and narcotics sales in our community."

Records show that all five arrests were made on Monday, Nov. 13:

- Dyrell Cooper, 55, and Patricia Turnage, 59, were each arrested in the 5000 block of N. Kenmore. Both are charged with two counts of manufacture-delivery of cocaine near a park, school, or public housing.
- Fred C. Morris, 47, was arrested in the 1000 block of

W. Argyle and charged with three counts of manufacture-delivery of cocaine near a park, school, or public housing.

- Tyron Cooper, 54, arrested in the 4900 block of N. Kenmore, is charged with one count of manufacture-delivery of cocaine near a park, school, or public housing.

- Jasmine Larkin, 30, was arrested in the 4900 block of N. Sheridan and charged with one count of delivery of Schedule I or II narcotics near a park, school or public housing and one count of possessing Schedule I or II narcotics.

Ald. Osterman vowed to closely follow all of the arrestees through his ward's court advocacy program.

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Police say that around 10:05 p.m. on Nov. 16, a 30-year-old woman was parking her car in the 2000 block of N. Howe when three masked men approached and one of them ordered her out of the vehicle at gunpoint. The offenders jumped in and drove away in her black 2009 Toyota Camry. The woman was not injured, police said. No further description of the robbers was available.

Then, shortly before midnight, a man was approached by two armed men as he walked toward his car in the 800 block of N. Orleans. The offenders took his phone, cash, and his green Subaru Forester. Police described the offenders only as black males.

According to police radio traffic, officers found the stolen vehicle in traffic near Congress and State around 12:40 a.m. Nov. 17. Police supervisors, adhering to the department's no-chase policy, terminated the officers' pursuit of the vehicle as it entered the Eisenhower Expy.

In another unrelated case, officer David Ramos of the 18th District helped to capture of Leon Spektor, 38, for whom Wheeling Police had an arrest warrant for, in the Nov. 12 carjacking with a mother and two children still in the car.

Spektor was taken into custody about 8:30 a.m. Nov. 15 in the 300 block of W. Chicago Ave., according to Wheeling police, who describe the assailant as a homeless man.

About 3:20 p.m., a man left his wife and two children—a one-week-old and a three-year-old—in his running vehicle while he went inside Walgreens in the 0-100 block of N. Milwaukee Ave., police said. When he returned to the parking lot, his vehicle was missing. He tried calling his wife's cellphone, but did not reach her, then called police.

In civilian clothes, Ramos, who is the former Cook County Director of Homeland Security, drove to the Starbucks at Franklin and Chicago. "I saw this individual coming out of the Dunkin Donuts, crossing the street. He looked familiar, like the photo I saw earlier on [TV]." So Ramos called into the station for assistance. Officers arrived with the arrest warrant and Spektor was taken into custody.

The velvet beating

Three people are suing Velvet Lounge Chicago LLC, 67 E. Cermak Rd., for alleged negligence and unlawful sale of liquor to intoxicated persons.

Adam Richmond, Imani Benson and Isaac Hubbert filed a complaint on Oct. 16 in Cook County Circuit Court, alleging they sustained injuries in a brawl with other customers of the bar on Oct. 23, 2016. The plaintiffs hold the defendant responsible for allegedly failing to provide adequate security to prevent brawls between its customers.

The plaintiffs seek judgment against the defendant in an amount

greater than \$50,000 plus court costs.

West Town home invasion

Two men who pretended to be delivery workers are being sought for a Thursday evening home invasion in the West Town neighborhood.

Police said two men walked along the side of the victim's home and approached the victim as she stood outside with a dog in the 1400 block of N. Bosworth around 7 p.m. The two said they had a delivery.

At the victim's door, the two turned violent, pushing the woman into her apartment at gunpoint. One of the men pistol-whipped and punched her in the face, police said. The two then demanded money from the woman and searched her apartment for valuables before leaving.

Police said the men wore reflective vests, but no further description has been offered.

Men arrested for carjacking

Davontae Jones, 18, and Jason Dortch, 19, both of the 12700 block of West Polk St. were arrested after being observed inside of a vehicle that was taken during an armed robbery/vehicular hijacking on the the 800 block of N. Racine 10:30 p.m. Nov. 13.

The two suspects approached a 34 and a 23 year-old male and produced handguns while demanding money and the keys to a Jeep Cherokee. The victims complied and the offenders fled in the Jeep that was subsequently located by Chicago Police Officers.

The offenders attempted to flee on foot and were arrested and charged accordingly.

Boystown, Lakeview: five attacked in three separate robberies early Saturday

At least five people were wrapped up in three separate robberies in Lakeview East early on Nov. 18. Two of the muggings were reported in the heart of Boystown. No one is in custody and only minor injuries were reported, police said.

Here is what we have learned from police:

- Around 3:40 a.m., a 36-year-old man was walking with his girlfriend in the 800 block of W. Roscoe when four offenders jumped from a car and punched him in the face. The other men took the victim's property and then returned to the vehicle, which fled westbound on Roscoe. The victim said

the offenders were Hispanic men in a green Ford Taurus.

- About 30 minutes later, a man and a woman were walking in the 3100 block of N. Racine when two men emerged from a corner and demanded their valuables. A fight broke out and one of the offenders kicked the 29-year-old woman in the face. She and the 29-year-old male victim were both treated and released from Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center, police said.

Police said the offenders were two Hispanic men. One is tall with a bigger build. He wore a black jacket. A shorter offender wore an orange coat. They fled southbound in the west alley of Clifton in a Chevy Malibu or Impala.

- Then, around 5:15 a.m., a 30-year-old man was sitting in the 3300 block of N. Halsted when two men approached him and tried to take his property outside of Wood restaurant. The man was battered but managed to escape without losing anything to the offenders. No further description of the suspects was available

Home invasion:

Lincoln Park man tied up, robbed

Police are investigating a Saturday afternoon home invasion in Lincoln Park.

The victim told investigators that he was on the side of his residence in the 900 block of W. Wrightwood when two offenders approached him and forced him into his apartment at gunpoint around 3:50 p.m. Nov. 18.

Once inside his unit, the robbers tied the victim up and searched his home for valuables, the victim said.

Police report that an iPhone, \$300 cash, and a silver ring were taken.

The victim said the gunman was a black man in his 20's with a goatee who was wearing a black puffy coat. The second man is Hispanic, in his 20's about 5'-9" tall and he wore a tie-dyed shirt.

—Compiled by CWBChicago.com



Legendary Star Wars character "Mas Amedda" to appear at Pop Culture show

Zurko's Midwest Promotions, highly popular Chicago Pop-Culture Con Show has recently added a new guest: legendary Star Wars actor Jerome Blake who acted in Star Wars Episodes I, II, III. He played Mas Amedda in Star Wars: Episode I The Phantom Menace and Revenge of the Sith. He also played Oppo Rancisis in Episode I and II, and Rune Haako, Mik Rragap, Horox Ryyder, Graxol Kelyynn, and Orn Free Taa in Episode I.

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The Chicago Pop-Culture Show and sale will be held set for Saturday and Sunday at the Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles. Pop Culture Con is a multi-genre convention of comics, toys, gaming, sci-fi, Legos, TV/movie memorabilia, superheroes, Steampunk, action figures, animé, Cosplay, fantasy, horror, sports memorabilia, vintage music, publishers and artists – anything fan-related.

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 22, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 11, 2017, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 1527 W. CHASE AVE., APT. 1C, Chicago, IL 60626 Property Index No. 11-29-319-020-1007 VOL. NO. 505. The real estate is improved with a single family residence. The judgment amount was \$316,279.42. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: JOHNSON, BLUMBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC, 230 W. Monroe Street, Suite #1125 Chicago, IL 60606 (312) 541-9710 Please refer to file number 14 - 1 - 2 65.

THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

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Attorney Code. 40342

Real Estate For Sale

Case Number: 14 CH 20847

TJSC#: 37-10033

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANK Plaintiff,

- v -

TODD S. SCOTT, YVONNE KOBLE SCOTT, BRIDGEVIEW BANK GROUP, CITY OF CHICAGO, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, STATE OF ILLINOIS Defendants

15 CH 011336
6601 N. ASHLAND AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60626
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 25, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 27, 2017, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 6601 N. ASHLAND AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60626
Property Index No. 11-32-308-019.

The real estate is improved with a duplex. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, no right to redeem does not arise, there shall be no right of redemption. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-15-11956. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

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Attorney ARDC No. 00468002
Attorney Code. 21762
Case Number: 15 CH 011336
TJSC#: 37-9027

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NEW PENN FINANCIAL, LLC D/B/A SHELL POINT MORTGAGE SERVICING Plaintiff,

- v -

UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND LEGATEES OF WILLIAM W. THOMAS A/K/A WILLIAM THOMAS, CITIBANK, N.A., GREENVIEW SHERIDAN CONDOMINIUMS ASSOCIATION, BETSY WOODS THOMAS, AS HEIR OF WILLIAM W. THOMAS A/K/A WILLIAM THOMAS, MARCIA GAIL THOMAS, AS HEIR OF WILLIAM W. THOMAS A/K/A WILLIAM THOMAS, WILLIAM P. BUTCHER, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM W. THOMAS A/K/A WILLIAM THOMAS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants
15 CH 17884
7656 N. GREENVIEW AVE. 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 September 21, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 27, 2017, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 7656 N. GREENVIEW AVE., Chicago, IL 60626 Property Index No. 11-29-106-036-1023 Vol. 505 (Affects Unit 7656-1) and 11-29-106-036-1009 Vol. 505 (Affects P-2). The real estate is improved with a condominium.

The judgment amount was \$239,511.75. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

For information, contact The sales clerk, SHAPIRO KREISMAN & ASSOCIATES, LLC, 2121 WAUKEGAN RD., SUITE 301, Bannockburn, IL 60015, (847) 291-1717 For information call between the hours of 1pm - 3pm. Please refer to file number 17 - 0 - 2 4 3 6.

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Attorney File No. 17-082436
Attorney Code. 42168
Case Number: 17 CH 2942
TJSC#: 37-8695

transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: JOHNSON, BLUMBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC, 230 W. Monroe Street, Suite #1125, Chicago, IL 60606, (312) 541-9710 Please refer to file number 15 - 2 - 5 2 3.

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Attorney Code. 40342

Case Number: 15 CH 17884
TJSC#: 37-8992
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION Plaintiff,

- v -

MICHAEL JOSEPH GIBLIN A/K/A MICHAEL J. GIBLIN A/K/A MONICA ANITA MICHAELS, PARK EDGEWATER CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants
17 CH 2942

6101 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD, UNIT 7G Chicago, IL 60660

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 15, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 22, 2017, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 6101 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD, UNIT 7G, Chicago, IL 60660
Property Index No. 14-05-211-025-1081.
The real estate is improved with a condominium.

The judgment amount was \$100,536.93. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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Attorney Code. 42168
Case Number: 17 CH 2942
TJSC#: 37-8695

Real Estate For Sale

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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 CWTAL, INC. ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2006-OA17 MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2006-OA17, Plaintiff,

- v -

ORHIDEEA LAURA SANDOR AKA LAURA O. SANDOR; 1119 WEST GRAND CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; NATIONAL CITY BANK; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF ORHIDEEA LAURA SANDOR, IF ANY; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants, 09 CH 34408

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercity Judicial Sales Corporation will on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate: P.J.N. 17-08-247-028-1001. Commonly known as 1119 West Grand Avenue, Unit 1, Chicago, IL 60626. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection For information call the Sales Clerk at Plaintiff's Attorney, The Wirbicki Law Group, 33 West Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois 60603. (312) 360-9455 W09-2654.

INTERCITY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer, (312) 444-1122 13066498

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,

- v -

RUSSELL A ROWE A/K/A RUSSELL ROWE, CASA BONITA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants
2017 CH 1404
7340 NORTH RIDGE BOULEVARD UNIT 3B CHICAGO, IL 60645

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 20, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 21, 2017, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 7340 NORTH RIDGE BOULEVARD UNIT 3B, CHICAGO, IL 60645 Property Index No. 11-30-307-207-1008. The real estate is improved with a four or more units with no garage.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC
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Attorney File No. 258044
Attorney Code. 61256
Case Number: 2017 CH 1404
TJSC#: 37-8725
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT INDIVIDUALLY BUT AS TRUSTEE FOR CARLSBAD FUNDING MORTGAGE TRUST Plaintiff,

- v -

ALEX VARGAS, MERIDIAN EAST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, SHERIDAN EAST, INC., BMO HARRIS BANK, N.A. F/K/A HARRIS N.A., UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants
12 CH 007007

7457 N. SHERIDAN ROAD UNIT #1A 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 September 15, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 18, 2017, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 7457 N. SHERIDAN ROAD UNIT #1A, CHICAGO, IL 60626 Property Index No. 11 - 2 - 9 - 3 - 0 - 8 - 0 - 1 - 9 - 1 - 0 - 0 - 1.

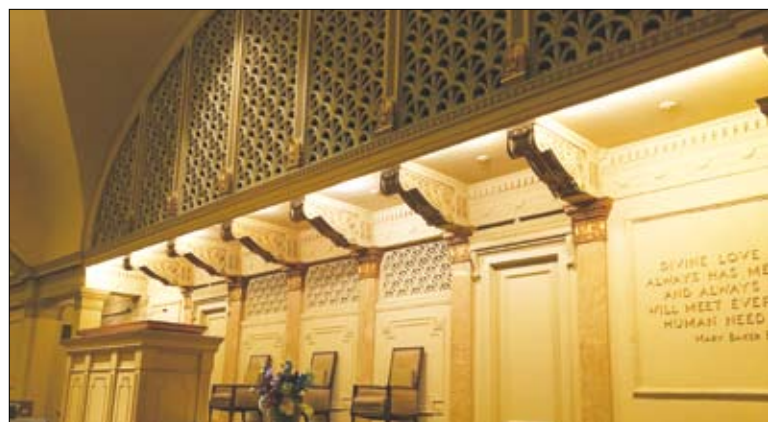
The real estate is improved with a condominium house. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

For information, contact the sales department, Anselmo Lindberg & Associates, LLC, 1771 W. Diehl Road, Suite 120 NAPERVILLE, IL 60563, (630) 453-6960 For bidding instructions, visit www.anselmolindberg.com. Please refer to file number F16071017.

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Attorney Code. 58852
Case Number: 16 CH 10020
TJSC#: 37-9050

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The church mentioned they will consider a donation of the building to a good steward, so let that steward be all of us collectively and let's all advocate for a collective reuse that benefits all Chicagoans, looking to the near future," said Ward Miller.

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information presented at the community meeting. [It] may have been staged as a set-up to pave the way for demolishing the Church, and replacing it with a massive redevelopment," Fisher said.

Miller agreed with neighborhood residents at the meeting who expressed concerns about another residential high-rise coming to the neighborhood.

"We do not need another residential high-rise at this site. [It] will adversely affect the quality of life, sunlight, air and throw shadows on adjacent buildings. What we do need collectively, is a great and amazing resource and cultural center, for an already dense neighborhood. This is a once-in-a-lifetime chance, let's not blow it, with another embarrassing loss and demolition of one of Chicago's great architectural treasures. The church mentioned they will consider a donation of the building to a good steward, so let that steward be all of us collectively and let's all advocate for a collective reuse that benefits all Chicagoans, look-

ing to the near future," said Miller, who added his organization will work with the congregation and the community to help make the community-center vision a reality.

Built in 1901, the classical façade of the building recalls the "Merchant and Tailors' Building" of the Chicago World's Fair of 1893, one of Beman's most celebrated designs

"The [fair] building [had] received numerous awards for its designs. Beman worked with members of the Christian Science Movement and its leaders, including Mary Eddy Baker, the faith's founder and leader, to design 'a most perfect church prototype' for [subsequent] Christian Science buildings. [Beman] included few, if any, traditional religious symbols and symbolism, in [designing] a beautiful light-filled sanctuary and with an auditorium and assembly-space as a sanctuary," added Miller.

According to Miller, its clean, open design would serve well as a sort of Lincoln Park community center.

While some may question the feasibility of such a plan, Miller added Mayor Rahm Emanuel has recently said he supports branch cultural centers throughout Chicago.

"The sanctuary of the church, with its art glass and gilded dome, its magnificent column-free space, with wide arches and honey-colored art windows; its rare Austin organ, could be an unparalleled space for concerts, cultural events, music, lectures, presentations affiliated with the local museums and institutions, including The Lincoln Park Conservatory, the Lincoln Park Zoo and The Peggy Notebaert Nature Center. This would all be located a mere half-block from Lincoln Park, and would be an amazing resource for the Lincoln Park community, and for all of Chicago," suggested Miller.

While some may question the feasibility of such a plan, Miller added Mayor Rahm Emanuel has recently said he supports branch cultural centers throughout Chicago. The Beman-designed building, he added, presents a rare opportunity to create such a center.

"The Chicago Cultural Center was constructed as the Chicago Public Central Library in 1897. It was rethought as the Chicago Cultural Center in 1977 and has been one of the best reuse projects in the city's history. It's still a remarkable center and proof of a visionary series of decisions [that were] made in the 1970s, by elected officials, city leaders, and philanthropic organizations. Let's continue to have that visionary outlook and reuse the [church building] for everything both cultural and imaginative. Let's ask the church, city elected officials to work together with our Chicago philanthropy community to make this vision a reality," Miller said.

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that the city has "what's known as a peanut plow for jobs like this. We'll do it if you need it and want it.

"We occasionally do plow alleys as well as streets. When the neighbors want it, we do it," said Ald. Hopkins.

"But you'll have to consider what you'll do when the snow's piled up against your garage doors."

At least two residents living near the site Solomon has in mind said the project would block their sunlight and compromise their "privacy."

Taking a leaf from Hopkins and Ald. Michele Smith (43rd) who have both repeatedly demanded more park space, another neighbor said he'd like to see the city buy the 1307 W. Belden site for use as a baseball field... although at only 40' wide it would be more of a stickball field than anything that would accommodate baseball or softball.

"I think that's the right thing to do. It's what Chicago was meant to be," the man said.

Solomon, however, said several times that "what I'm asking for isn't anything new. If I don't do it, somebody else probably will."

In the meantime, concerned residents will be urged to 'keep those cards and letters coming' to the ward office.

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