

North Side marketing group loses it's taxpayer-funded honey pot

Nearly \$800,000 in SSA funds seized, given to neighboring chamber

BY PATRICK BUTLER

A controversial taxpayer-funded local business “promotional” organization will be taken over - against their will - by the Lakeview East Chamber of Commerce as of New Year’s Day, 2017.

“Chicago View,” once known as the Central Lakeview Merchants’ Assoc., will turn over control of about \$800,000 in property tax money earmarked for local business promotion and development in Lakeview around Wrigley Field and the Belmont/Sheffield business and entertainment strips.

Ald. Tom Tunney (44th) and other city officials recently pulled SSA #17 from Chicago View and gave it to the Lakeview East Chamber of Commerce despite Chicago View executive director Gus Isaacson’s video stressing that SSA #17 has “always been compliant, had our deliverables in on time if not early, and always passed our audits.”

“We’ve received a snow removal

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Medi pot plans moving forward, despite some disagreement

STORY AND PHOTOS
BY PATRICK BUTLER

After hearing arguments for and against at a public meeting attended by some 70 local residents about two months ago, Ald. Joe Moore (49th) has given the OK for a medical marijuana dispensary to open up at 1930 W. Chase.

But before the clinic can open, the City Council must still change the property’s zoning from its current B-1 designation to B-3 and the Chicago Zoning Board of Appeals must issue a special use permit, Ald. Moore said.

And even that’s not the end, the alderman added.

Even if the city grants the



The former liquor store at 1930 N. Chase could soon be a medical marijuana dispensary.



Bob Kingsley ponders a question during a Sept. 29 community meeting. He promises to have at least one armed guard on the premises during business hours and employees who will walk patients to their cars or CTA buses after they’ve made their purchases.

zoning amendment and special use permit, Bob Kingsley, owner of 430 Capital Management, must also get approval from the Illinois Dept. of Financial and Professional Regulation, Ald. Moore said.

Kingsley outlined his proposal in

mid-September for his Greengate Compassion Center, which would be authorized to dispense medical marijuana for patients with any of 40 medical conditions including cancer, Alzheimer’s disease, Crohn’s disease, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy and rheumatoid arthritis.

Medical marijuana dispensaries have been legal in Illinois since 2013, but are subject to numerous regulations, the alderman explained.

State law, for example, prohibits medical marijuana dispensaries from operating within 1,000 feet of a school or day care provider, and the city allows only in certain downtown locations or B-3 or C

zoning districts. And dispensaries must also have a special use permit from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

A city ordinance requires at least one on-site armed guard, said Ald. Moore, noting that Kingsley plans to use off-duty sheriff’s deputies empowered to make arrests if necessary.

Security cameras will monitor “every inch” of the clinic and its parking lot. And the license plates of all cars entering that parking lot will be photographed.

Moreover, Kingsley says that he will keep all cash and drugs in a “high grade” security vault and claims that an inventory of all drugs will be taken twice a day, with any discrepancies reported immediately to the state police.

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Uber knew of driver complaints prior to sexual assault - and still let him drive

BY CWBCHICAGO.COM

In July 2014, a 21-year-old South Loop man hailed an Uber in Lakeview East to take him home. Around 1 a.m. on July 31, 2014, Adnan Nafasat picked up his would-be victim near Halsted and Cornelia in Boystown. According to prosecutors, the Uber driver who took the ride request would sexually assault the young man before they arrived at their destination.

Now, this newspaper has learned, at least two separate Uber customers filed complaints with the ride-hailing company about that driver’s sexually overt behavior on the job.

Despite the complaints against him, Adnan Nafasat was allowed to continue to drive for the company. He is now charged with aggravated kidnapping, attempted aggravated criminal sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual abuse, aggravated battery, and unlawful restraint.

The allegations about Nafasat’s behavior, as well as Uber’s alleged knowledge of his conduct before the sexual attack, are laid out in a prosecution filing called a “Motion To Allow Other Crimes Evidence.”

Nafasat’s reported behavior before the alleged sexual assault was not illegal, but “show[s] his intent and state of mind toward young male passengers... and show [Nafasat’s] propensity to be sexually inappropriate and opportunistic with young male passengers,” the state said in its filing.

In Feb. 2014, Nafasat picked up another Uber customer in Boystown, just one block from where he would pick up the sexual assault victim months later, prosecutors said.

Nafasat “inappropriately inquired... about sexual positions” in a way that prompted the passenger to ask Nafasat to let him out of the car before they reached their destination.

The man filed a complaint about Nafasat’s behavior with Uber via client feedback, prosecutors said.

On July 11, 2014, about three



Adnan Nafasat

Some advice to save your life

The story of S.T.O.P. Foodborne Illness

BY JIM MATUSIK

They opened the beast box in California in 1993. It killed four children and infected 732 others, leaving 178 with permanent injuries, including kidney and brain damage.

Actually, the box was a Jack in the Box and the killer that it unleashed was ironically called the ‘Monster Burger.’ It was a special promotion and the tagline was, “So Good It’s Scary.”

It was big and it was cheap and the restaurant was swamped with orders. The staff couldn’t keep up with the demand and as a consequence of the rush, the beef was not cooked long enough or at a high enough temperature to kill the bacteria.

There had been other cases of food poisoning before, but this was shocking and it brought the exotic sounding bacteria E coli 0157:H7 out of the lab, and plastered it across the front page of every

E. coli 0157:H7 kills more than one victim each day.

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Young children are often the unfortunate victims of food poisoning because their immune systems are not fully formed and they cannot offer proper resistance to the deadly pathogens.

newspaper in the country.

And out of the collective grief, shock, and anger of parents and victims, a grassroots organization called S.T.O.P. was formed.

It stood for Safe Tables Our Priority and today it has become a nationwide non-profit public health organization that is dedicated to the prevention of sickness and death from foodborne pathogens.

It advocates for building public awareness and assisting those impacted by these illnesses. If offers many services on its website including peer to peer connection which allows a mother

with a stricken child for instance, to connect with a family who has already been through the same trauma.

The world of foodborne microbes contains a mix of approximately 250 different types of bacteria, viruses, mold, parasites and algae. The two most dangerous and prevalent of these are Bacteria and Viruses.

Bacteria are the largest group. They are small, one-celled microbes invisible to the human eye that come in many shapes and are capable of reproducing themselves.

The most familiar, and often times fatal are Salmonella, E coli 0157:H7, and Listeria. Infection usually occurs by direct ingestion of a contaminated product, but can also occur by simply coming into contact with an infected person.

There was a local 1985 salmonellosis outbreak that came from Salmonella typhimurium in milk from the Hillfarm Dairy in Melrose Park. It was the worst outbreak of salmonellosis food

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Hey, what’s your claim to fame?



By Thomas J. O’Gorman

Growing up in Chicago in a family of tea drinkers life was one long Shinto Tea Ceremony. Our tea was always strong and well-steeped. Never saw a tea bag. Always loose leaves. Black. But sweet and creamy. The Irish Way.

No one was expected to sip from their cup with pinkies raised. But you were expected to exercise decorum. Silent sipping was the golden rule. No slurping. From the first morning cup to the last slumber bowl before bed, everyone savored away the hearty brew.

But there was one classical, inexcusable error that would send everyone into gales of laughter. That’s when some poor soul started to sip from their cup without first removing their spoon. It was like driving a car with one leg out the door. My Grandmother, Nora O’Connor, who always presided, stood guard duty on correctness. When she would see such an error, she would usually say in her thick brogue, “And do ye think ye are, Eddie Hoban?” How low could she go?

Poor Eddie Hoban was a cousin. And the brunt of every joke, at times, while sipping tea.

Eddie was a boy of indelicate manners and became famous for almost putting his eye out while drinking his tea with the spoon still in his cup. When he did that, sometime in the 1930s, he became frozen in time as an unwise boy. The perpetual poster boy for poor breeding and social irregularity, the shame of the “lace curtain Irish.”

He achieved a larger than life status for all his social error. He never lived it down. Long after he returned to God, his reputation as

a “spoon drinker” guaranteed him a unique place in the structure of family life. His tea drinking was quite a claim to fame. He became a textbook case for all to see and understand.

Eddie left us all a valuable and wise lesson in living.

My Aunt Theresa enjoyed a unique role in the larger family’s life. She was elegant but tough. More zaftig than most women, she moved with authority, but often over-played her hand in regard to her son, cousin Johnny Canning. He was portly, a fine boy with a knife and a fork. But



This columnist and sister, Mary Regina, on our way to tea.

he often became delirious around cake. The more frosting the better. He was fond of my grandmother’s tortes and loved the pastry achievements of her kitchen. But cousin Johnny’s expanding girth made easy elegance difficult. His trousers were always lowered to half-staff, much to Aunt Theresa’s displeasure.

You couldn’t miss Johnny trying to pull up his drooping drawers. Though no one was ever cruel to him because of his size, they never shut up about his drawers.

Johnny lived for cakes. At wakes and weddings, at parades, ballgames or after Sunday Mass. His trousers were always in a tug-of-war with the rest of him. He was a living legend. And to this day, whenever we see anyone with their trousers drooping down, everyone says, “Here comes Johnny Canning.”

One of my grandmother’s best friends was a refined lady of girth

who was an elocution teacher in the Chicago Public Schools. Miss McAloon. She was a maiden lady who lived just blocks away and loved to take her constitutional through the neighborhood with a stop off and a chat up.

Miss McAloon walked with power and authority and took up a lot of space on the sofa. She was well-dressed and well-groomed. She looked like the TV soprano Kate Smith.

But it was her size that always caught our notice. She was by far our grandmother’s fattest friend. But it was as a teacher of elocution that we found her most exotic manner. She spoke with the pear-shaped vowels and over-enunciation of a Marx Brothers film. Her correctness created its own comedy of perfection and stunning grandeur. We loved to hear her talk. She was brogue-free. And her words when let loose had their own peculiar cadence and stride. We thought she spun gold out of straw. She could make a street-car driver sound like a downtown banker.

But we were also haunted by the thought that she might find our own grammar and English pronunciation too casual and free. But she never chided us on our choice of words or selection of pronunciation. She reserved that for the clergy.

Like our grandmother, Miss McAloon was sweet and refined and very religious. In fact, she was originally a chum of our grandmother’s from the 8 a.m. Mass at Visitation Church. And from her station in the third pew from the front, a seat very near to the pulpit, she was a ripe listener to the clergy and laity alike. She listened attentively but silently, showing no immediate reaction on her face. And she told no jokes, despite her auditing the ups and downs of the religious elocution. But she did rely on a contribution of humorous anecdotes from her experience in Chicago’s Public Schools, which we always cheered on.

Mr. Wineman, as far as I knew, had no first name. At least I never heard one mentioned. He was the only person of Hebraic heritage

that would regularly visit our grandmother’s house. For many years, he, his wife and daughter lived just nextdoor in a graystone Peoria St. six-flat where they had become chummy with my grandmother. Upon their arrival, the Mrs. Wineman would always



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shout loudly, “Hallo, hallo, it’s the Vinemans.” All her words came coated in a thick Eastern European accent. We loved that she made all her “Ws” change into “Vs.” I don’t know if she ever met Miss McAloon.

Mrs. Wineman was a plumpish lady and always filled with chat. Mr. Wineman was rail thin. My father always said that they were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spratt from the children’s rhyme.

The Winemans were lovely people and always brought my grandmother gifts. The best was the Kosher salami and the Kosher Mogen David wine. The Winemans were exotic and other worldly. Right out of central casting. After his wife’s death, Mr. Wineman’s visits became more frequent. Sometimes he stayed for lunch. The salamis continued and so did the wine. They made the visits festive. I was always fond of both, even as a child. The salami was spicy by Irish standards. And the wine was warm and toasty as it slipped down your throat.

I always laugh when I think of that wine. It’s the same wine that my grandmother would give me after I shoveled her sidewalk and front porch. I can remember coming in from the cold and her giving me a glass of it in my hand. I would sip it while sitting on her radiator. Within minutes I was

anesthetized and laying on a sofa falling into a deep sleep.

My memory of these characters and their claims to fame were jump-started on Thanksgiving after dinner with my sister, Mary Regina. Eddie Hoban, Aunt Therese, Johnny Canning, Miss

AcAloon and the Winemans all encircled us from the far reaches of our childhoods, reminding us of more simple pleasures and more human connections. And a reminder of what a colorful place Chicago was then, jammed with families and cousins of questionable haberdashery and off-putting manners, and old neighbors who traveled the streetcars to keep their old neighbors Kosher. Everyone was a part of each other’s claims to fame, those small, off-handed idiosyncrasies, like spoons in your tea cup or baggy pants or spicy salami. Family and friendship are circles that revolve and continue to enrich the quality of life. It is one giant mazel tov.

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JAX — a wise gift that keeps on giving

Premature at 11:11 a.m. on 11-11-11, short life leaves legacy

Jackson Chance Meghie loved to snuggle. The little baby boy also enjoyed listening to music -- especially reggae -- and his feet were always moving!

Heart of the 'Hood
By Felicia Dechter

“He was very happy and smiled so much,” said Jackson’s mom, Carrie Meghie, a Ukrainian Village resident who’s co-president of Becker Ventures, which owns the Hard Rock Hotel on Michigan Ave. “He had eyelashes for days and would use them to flirt with his many NICU girlfriends aka nurses. His spirit was so positive and happy that he made even the doctors forget how sick he was.”

Jackson was born on 11-11-11 @ 11:11 p.m. and he was as special as his birthday was unique, said Carrie. Although he was also 10-weeks premature, he was a spirited, happy baby. But Jackson suffered from Bronchopulmonary dysplasia (BPD), a chronic lung condition affecting newborns either put on a breathing machine after birth or born prematurely.

Carrie and her husband, Terry, always thought their precious son would come home and live a long life with them. But sadly, that was not to be. The family was crushed when at just shy of 10 months-old -- after spending all but 48 hours of his life in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at Lurie Children’s Hospital --- little Jackson passed away in Carrie’s arms while holding his father Terry’s hand on Sept. 7, 2012.

The NICU had become the Meghie’s home away from home, and they found out firsthand the challenges parents face having a child in the hospital. To honor Jackson’s legacy, the Meghies started the Jackson Chance Foundation (JCF), whose goal is to help others “Enjoy the Moment!,” just like Jackson did.

To alleviate the stress of transportation expenses while a child is in the NICU, the foundation started its NICU Transportation Program, which provides parking and CTA/Metra vouchers to families. Currently, the program benefits Lurie Children’s Hospital with the goal of expanding to Northwestern’s Prentice Women’s Hospital in the near future.

Carrie had found the high parking costs so “maddening” that she decided to do something about it. “We felt so fortunate that we had the resources to pay for it and knew that it was impacting our family at the same time,” she said. “It was just one more challenge piled on to the list of so many during that tough time.”

To help raise parking funds, JCF is selling the adorable 7.5-inch stuffed, JAX the Wise Owl. If you give a hoot and would like to help, JCF is currently taking pre-orders for a Dec. 16 delivery. JAX is \$38 including shipping within the U.S.; \$30 if you pick up at 230 N. Michigan Ave. And



(Left) Jackson Chance with his parents, mom Carrie and dad Terry. (Right) JAX the Wise Owl



for \$30, you can also donate JAX to a NICU baby.

“The owl came from the wallpaper in Jackson’s room at home,” said Carrie, who has two other sons, Solomon 9, and Maxson, 3. “While he was in the NICU, I took some of the wallpaper and decorated his hospital room to bring in something from home.

“The owls became associated with him and then became the logo for the foundation,” said Carrie. “I love how the owl represents wisdom and intuitive knowledge too, which makes it a great symbol for Jackson Chance Foundation.”

If you have a child or know a child who loves to snuggle it’s the perfect gift, said Carrie. If you don’t, you can always buy one to donate to a NICU baby.

“Our goal is to raise enough money so that we can provide a JAX to every baby admitted to our partner NICU’s in 2017,” she said.

“It makes me feel very proud,” Carrie added. “I’m so honored to be Jackson’s mother and blessed to impact other families in his honor.”

For more details or to order JAX, please visit www.jacksonchance.org/jax.

org/jax.

I know it’s only rock ‘n’ roll... but Wild Horses couldn’t drag me away from the upcoming one night only showing of the new Rolling Stones’ documentary, “Ole Ole Ole!: A Trip Across Latin America,” on Dec. 12. I’ll definitely be getting my ya-yas out watching this film, which follows the band’s early 2016 historic tour through 10 Latin American cities.

It’s said to combine electrifying live performances from across Latin America and also from the Stone’s momentous tour finale as the first-ever rock band to perform to an audience of 1.2 million in Havana. We’ll get an inside look at the creation of the historic Cuba show through interviews with the tour promoter, management, production and logistics managers, and band members themselves. There’s



Mick Jagger rocks out on the Rolling Stones Ole Ole Ole tour.

also an exclusive intro from Mick, Keith and the boys, as well as two full-length bonus performances from the Argentinean tour date.

Through a partnership with Eagle Rock Entertainment and Fathom Events, the documentary is being shown in select theaters around town including the River East 21, Webster Place and City

North Stadium 14. Tix can be purchased at www.FathomEvents.com or at participating theater box offices.

Rockin’ around the Christmas tree ... is what dozens of kids will be doing Dec. 14, thanks to the generous folks at Dick’s Last Resort, 315 N. Dearborn St. For the 26th year, Dick’s will host its annual Children’s Holiday Party in partnership with the 18th District Community Policing Office.

Dick’s closes for the afternoon to accommodate the approximately 50 children brought in from area schools and churches for this unforgettable event. The restaurant serves a bountiful kid-friendly buffet hosted by Santa, while carolers from VanderCook College of Music sing Christmas Carols. The little ones get their faces painted, they dance with Santa’s elves, and more importantly, they each get three presents from Jolly Old St. Nick!

Dick’s underwrites the cost of the presents and in the 26 years of this event has spent more than \$80,000 on gifts for the children.

“These are children who probably would not be getting much for Christmas,” said Dick’s owner Steve Schiff. “And in these hard economic times, we wanted to provide a really special afternoon.”

For the second year in a row, Ron Bockstahler, CEO aLawCenters, donated \$1,000 to sponsor Christmas stockings filled with school supplies. Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White, who has attended the party for the last 15 years, will speak to the children about the importance of

staying in school and not getting involved with gangs.

Each year for the last 26, the party has been organized by Chicago civic leader Kathy Posner, a Near North Side resident. Posner said witnessing the kids’ joy at the event is always her own favorite present.

“A hundred years from now no one will remember, how much money I had in the bank what kind of car I drove, or what kind of job I had... But I hope I will be remembered if I made a difference in the life of a child,” said Posner, a member of the 18th District Community Policing District Advisory Council (DAC). “Watching the children’s eyes light up and hearing their laughter as they sing, dance, eat and get their presents from Santa is the most precious gift I can receive for the holiday season. After 26 years of ‘making spirits bright, what fun it is to laugh and sing’ with these children on this night.”

Eat, drink, be merry... and check out cool artwork at an art exhibition being held from 3 to 7 p.m. Dec. 11 at Rogue Fusion Restaurant, 7027 N. Clark St.

Meet local artists Jill Sutton,

Linda Sweig, and Stephen Lloyd while munching on delish food at Rogue Fusion, which serves up an “Eclectic fusion of cultures with a touch of a great service.” That evening, along with the regular menu, there will be a buffet for \$16.99 with smoked salmon, salad, soup, veggies, mashed potatoes, chicken piccata, and black forest chocolate cake.

The artists will be hanging out and the restaurant is BYOB so bring your own cocktails. I’m told the artwork will be on sale “way cheaper,” than regular price. Hope to see you there!



Kathy Posner gets in gift wrapping mode for the annual Dick’s Last Resort holiday party.

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Fireplaces need annual maintenance before the Christmas ambiance starts



The Home Front

By Don DeBat

With the last leaves of autumn now raked away, the holiday season is the time to snuggle up at home near a cozy fireplace hearth.

At Chateau DeBat, we can't ignore our addiction to the warm glow of the family-room fireplace. At the end of every chilly autumn and winter day there's the quiet conversation over a glass of wine while sitting in front of the flames.

However, before enjoying that first great fire, it is important to give your fireplace an annual cleaning and maintenance check to reduce possible carbon monoxide emissions.

"Every fireplace should have a professional safety inspection each autumn before the harsh winter months," notes Chicago firefighter Steve Alleyne, who runs Firefixer, a firm that specializes in fireplace

servicing and repair.

Indeed, Christmas morning is the wrong time to realize you have a problem with the fireplace.

This writer has a vented gas-log fireplace in the family room, and a vent-free burner in the living room, so the inspection process covers two common types of units.

"Annual cleaning and service is needed to remove dust from the logs and prevent the burner pilot from getting clogged, which could lead to carbon monoxide buildup that sets off your carbon monoxide detector," Alleyne said.

Firefixer does the job for a reasonable \$145 service call, which includes replacing batteries for remote starters, fresh embers, lava rock and a seasonal warranty. Visit www.firefixer.com.

Our family room fireplace was set up as a traditional wood-burning unit, but being carefree urban dwellers a decade ago we opted for gas logs, and the luxury of a remote-starter system.

Firefixer's recent annual maintenance check revealed that the 10-year-old gas burner was shot, probably from almost daily use during autumn and winter. He detected holes in the burner pan that could emit deadly carbon monoxide into the room, even though the unit was vented.

Firefixer installed a new 18-



Firefixer Steve Alleyne installs a new gas-log burner to replace the 10-year-old log set that failed.

inch "RealFyre" premium gas burner pan by RH Peterson Co. at a cost of \$200. We added a new pilot and remote starter kit for an added \$375, including installation labor, glowing embers and sand granules.

Luckily, we were able to recycle our old ceramic gas logs, which Firefixer cleaned. So the total cost of the fireplace rehab was \$575.

We also have a ventless gas-log fireplace in the living room, but we only light it during the holidays or when the temperature falls below 20 degrees.

Hearth purists likely would say a wood-burning fireplace—with its ambiance, crackle and scent—is a more romantic option. Most Realtors would agree a fireplace—either gas or wood-burning—is a coveted and valued feature in

today's homes.

According to a 2012 survey, buyers rank fireplaces as one of the three amenities they'd most like in their house. And, 60% of new homes come with a fireplace, compared with only 36% in the 1970s.

A National Assoc. of Realtors survey reported that 46% of home buyers would pay more for a home with at least one fireplace.

"If you own a high-end residence, buyers expect a fireplace and often are willing to pay more for a home with one," said Chicago Realtor Sara E. Benson, president of Benson Stanley Realty. "A working fireplace typically adds \$5,000 to \$7,500 to the value of an average home."

However, wood-burning fireplaces also can be a costly

headache for the novice homeowner. Readers of The Home Front may recall an earlier column reviewing this writer's adventures with hearth and home.

In the 1970s, there was the stucco bungalow, built in 1911 in the landmarked Irving Park Villa neighborhood. It had a smoky fireplace with a shallow hearth and a broken damper. Four decades have passed, but my first home recently received a fireplace makeover by Firefixer. A new ventless gas burner was installed, along with new logs and glass doors.

Unfortunately, the current owner rented the house to four male Millennials who decided to pile wood logs on top of the gas logs in the fireplace in the master bedroom and ignite it like a funeral pyre. The mess required two hours of labor by the Firefixer to get the gas logs operating again. "You won't believe what I've found in the hearth of some fireplaces—everything from melted marshmallows to toy soldiers," Alleyne said.

My next adventure was the English Tudor home built in the 1920s in the Sauganash neighborhood. The home sported a massive stone fireplace in the living room that belched smoke. It needed a new flue liner, damper and removal of a squirrel's nest from the chimney.

Then, there was the hearth love affair with the 12-room Italianate Victorian in the Old Town Historic District. Built in 1872, the home featured four amazing fireplaces faced with glazed ceramic tile. But, the old fireplaces couldn't pull a puff of smoke up the chimneys. They needed flue liners, dampers and chimney rebuilding and logs with modern starters.

A fireplace rehab project currently underway at a mountain house in North Carolina is a challenge. The 50-year-old wood-burning unit had rusted away, and following demolition, and after \$189 video flue inspection we learned the vintage clay tile pipe in the chimney was cracked.

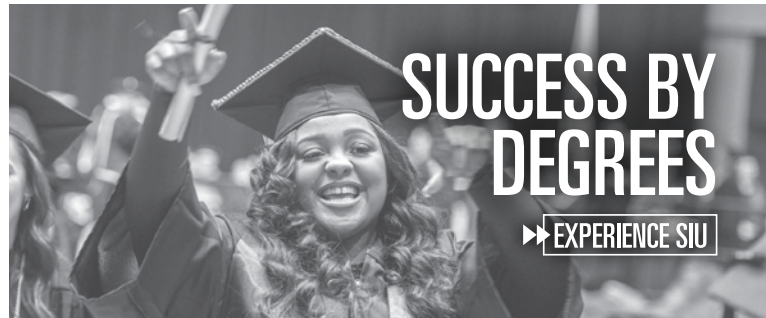
"When purchasing a vintage home, buyers would be wise to have a fireplace inspection in addition to the standard home inspection," advised Benson. "Any unexpected repair cost can easily add up to thousands of dollars."

The plan is to repair the flue, erect a new dry-stack stone façade, hearth and antique wood mantel, then install a propane gas fireplace insert with glass doors and a blower to provide supplementary heat for the house.

"A wood-burning fireplace is expensive, an energy waster and just plain too much work for the average homeowner," observed Alleyne. Once you get the fireplace logs burning, 90% of the heat goes up the chimney, he said.

"If the fireplace doesn't have an ash dump, you are left with a mess to clean up, and, you'll need a professional chimney cleaning every other year to keep combustible creosote at bay," he warned.

What's the most energy-efficient option? "The vent-free



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City Council approves creation of new ‘Super’ TIF District on North Side

Half of future incremental property tax increases for next 35 years going to CTA

The Red and Purple Modernization Program (RPM) reached a milestone Nov. 30 following the approval of a plan by the Mayor’s Office and City Council that approved the creation of a dedicated new North Side ‘Super’ TIF [tax-increment financing district] that will generate \$622 million toward the first phase of RPM.

The City and CTA are urgently pursuing \$1.1 billion in federal grant funding - more than half

the project cost - before President Obama leaves office. In order to secure those funds, the CTA must provide local matching funds. The Super TIF will provide a portion of those local funds, with the remainder expected to come from various other CTA sources including bond funds.

The new Super TIF will run from North Ave. north to Devon and span a half mile in each direction east and west along the length of the Red and Purple line tracks and last for a minimum of 35 years, providing the local funding needed to take advantage of a \$1.1 billion Federal transit grant. The

entire project is expected to cost \$2.1 billion.

This new Super TIF will drive property taxes up throughout the city as the future incremental property tax dollars from this area will not be going into the individual taxing bodies budgets for the next 35 years and will have to be replaced by new tax dollars going forward. In essence all future incremental property tax increases for the next 35 years in this area will be used to pay for the RPM. So in the long run, many property owners might look at this as a massive new long-term property tax hike.

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award from the city and additional awards for neighborhood engagement,” he said, noting that “like a Las Vegas prostitute, we’re a sure bet on performance.”

Special Service Areas (SSA’s) have become more prevalent in Chicago. They are special taxing districts in municipalities that are established by ordinance, often at the request of affected property owners, commercial lease holders and developers, in order to pass on the common costs of the street and sidewalk maintenance; business retention/attraction, special events and promotional activities; auto and bike transit; security; façade improvements, snow shoveling and landscaping within specified boundaries.

There are currently 53 SSA districts in Chicago, including at least 22 on the North Side.

In 2014 SSA#17 generated nearly \$917,000 in property tax revenue for the district. In 2013 it was about \$703,000 and in 2015 it was about \$660,000. Administrative and personnel costs generally ate up between 25-38% of the gross revenue annually.

Some SSA’s also allow for marketing, promotions and advertising for a commercial district and it is this use that may have gathered the most negative response on ChicagoView’s performance as an SSA administrator.

To many, Chicago View’s services were apparently as bizarre as Isaacson’s performance boast, and a waste of taxpayer money.

Some residents and businesses still remember the sight of some 600 woebegone and unadorned Christmas trees the Central Lake View Merchants Assoc./Chicago View tied to lampposts throughout the neighborhood.

So much so, in fact, that according to DNAinfo reporter Areal Cheung, when 44th Ward Aldermanic aide Chris Jessup announced the SSA change recently, he laughingly assured the Hawthorne Neighbors that under the new management, “there will be no Christmas trees on light poles. Not on the public way.”

While the SSA donated some of those trees to needy families in the area, some residents complained the lamppost trees were even more popular with urinating dogs.

Others complained that the \$25,000 the SSA spent for each of the two years the tree program lasted was criticized as a waste of taxpayer money.

Then there were the oddball advertising promotions, like the one with the pliers pulling part of

a bloody fingernail off in a pair-off between a beauty shop and an auto repair shop. There were also lightly viewed Youtube videos shot and posted online that promoted

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some local businesses, wedged between wacky commentary and silly, childish interactions. And on St. Patrick’s Day two years ago, Chicago View’s promotional magazine literally released 50 paper airplanes carrying \$50 bills. Organizers hoped that the money would be spent in local stores and eateries.

Maureen Martino of the Lake View East Chamber of Commerce said her starting priorities will include safety around the theater district, Boystown, Wrigley Field,

and the CTA stations, especially the one at Belmont Ave., which sadly today is one of the highest crime locations in all of Chicago.

Strategies, she added, might well include opening satellite offices near “hot spots” to be manned by private security.

She also plans to beef up the chamber’s maintenance crew to clean up the area as part of a concerted effort to develop Lake View as both a tourist destination as more hotels open up around Wrigley Field and the focal point of a “shop local” campaign aimed at neighborhood residents.

Asked why she thought the SSA was transferred from “Chicago View” to the Lake View East Chamber, Martino said the old Central Lakeview Merchants Assoc. was no longer a business association but had changed its mission and became a marketing organization.

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Some Lincoln Park neighbors have complained that while their private property would be included in the new Super TIF district - and thus they would be paying the new taxes, none of those funds would be returned to their community as the scope of Phase One of the RPM runs from Howard St. south to Belmont.

“This project has been several years in the making, and I am thrilled to be moving forward with the plans,” said Mayor Rahm Emanuel. “This type of investment in transit is an investment in Chicago’s residents and neighborhoods, connecting them to jobs, education and more. I want to commend everyone who worked throughout this process to make this project a reality.”

The first phase of RPM, which is estimated to cost \$2.1 billion, will rebuild four North Side stations and more than a mile of tracks and track structure from Lawrence to Bryn Mawr, and create a Red-Purple bypass north of Belmont in the hope it will improve overall service and improve reliability.

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residents use the Red and Purple lines, carrying more than 30% of all rail riders—or more than 75 million riders annually. The embankment and viaducts that make up this section of the Red Line are 100 years old, significantly deteriorated, and difficult to maintain. Additionally, none of these stations are currently ADA accessible and they will need to be fully reconstructed to accommodate this.

“Today’s approval is great news as we move forward with one of the biggest modernization projects in CTA history,” said CTA President Dorval R. Carter, Jr. “This will ensure that the Red Line continues to serve as the backbone of the CTA rail system.”

The new Super TIF was made possible by legislation passed by the Illinois General Assembly in June that specifically authorized the creation of a transit-only TIF for the RPM.

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St. Lucia Fest Dec. 13 in Andersonville

BY CHRIS CRINGLESTROM

St. Lucia is a popular, though relatively modern, tradition in Sweden and Swedish communities worldwide and locally it begins in Andersonville with a torch-lit procession down the sidewalks of Clark St. stepping off at 4:45 p.m. Tuesday Dec. 13, at the Swedish American Museum, 5211 N. Clark St.

The procession highlight is the appearance of the specially chosen “Lucia Girls,” who will lead the crowd, wearing long white robes and beautiful crowns of candles and singing “The Lucia Song.” Guests are welcome to join in the procession and all participants are invited to the Lucia celebration at the Swedish American Museum.

The Lucia celebration features a telling of the Lucia legend, family entertainment, and Swedish holiday treats including traditional “pepparkakor” ginger snaps.

Admission is \$1 or can of food to benefit Care for Real, Edgewater’s food pantry.

Lucia was an Italian saint, born in about 284 A.D. in Sicily. Known for her generosity in feeding the poor and homeless, St. Lucia was executed at the age of 20 during the

Romans’ persecution of Christians. During the 17th and 18th centuries, the Lucia legend came up to Sweden through Germany. The first public Lucia celebration was held in Stockholm in 1927. The Swedes’ affection for the Lucia festival is due partially to the timing; Lucia festivals provide a ray of light during the winter solstice, the darkest time of the year in Sweden.

Almost every town in Sweden chooses one girl to be that year’s Lucia girl and lead the town’s Lucia parade. The chosen girl wears a white full-length chemise with a red sash around her waist, and a ring of lingonberry sprigs on her head. The wreaths hold real candles, which give the effect of a halo. The Lucia girl is joined by a group of Lucia attendants and Star Boys, who together form a choir that sing Christmas carols and the traditional



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Lucia Song. Individual families also choose their own Lucia – usually the oldest daughter — whose duties are to sing and serve the family saffron buns and peppakakor.

Chicago’s Andersonville neighborhood was first settled as a Swedish farming community after the Great Fire of 1871, when Swedish enclaves on the near North Side of Chicago moved further north.

Community meeting Dec. 13 on proposed performing arts center at Ashland and Estes

Ald. Joe Moore [49th] will be hosting a community meeting 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, to review a proposal for bringing a new a performing arts center in the building at 7071-77 N. Ashland (southeast corner of Ashland and Estes).

The meeting will take place at the site of the proposed performing arts center at 7077 N. Ashland on the second floor.

Bart O’Toole, an architect by training, is proposing to establish the performing arts venue in the existing building. It will support his theater company, The Cuckoo’s Theatre Project. He proposes to reuse the structure with what he suggests is a low density, neighborhood friendly venue for his theater company, as well as providing

space for music and acting classes and community events.

The building was constructed in 1916 as the home of the Rogers Park Women’s Club, whose name is still inscribed over the entrance to the building. The Club occupied the building until 1983, when dwindling membership, coupled with higher maintenance costs and taxes, compelled the organization to put the building on the market.

The Unification Church purchased the building later that year and used it as its Midwest headquarters and a house of worship until 2012. The building sat vacant for approximately four years until O’Toole purchased it earlier this year.

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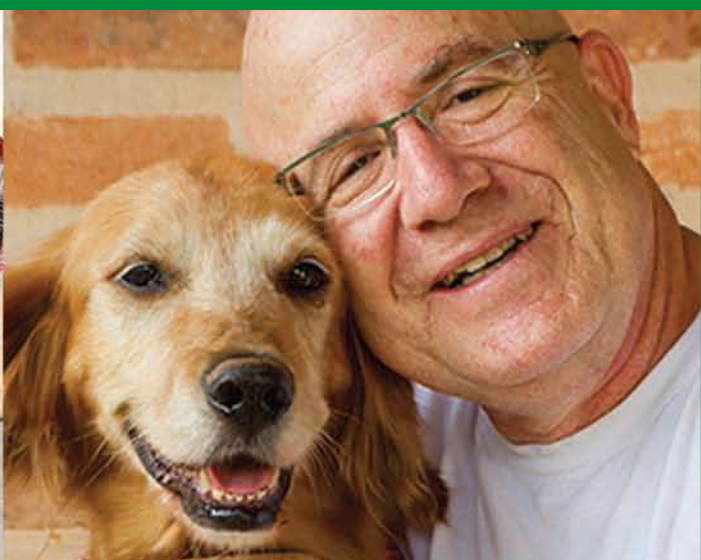
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Twelve ideas & tips for fun holiday activities with seniors

Holiday time can be enjoyable for older adults even if they can't participate fully in every activity. Feeling included is the most important part of enjoying the holidays. Even if your senior has physical or mental issues, they can still have a good time and feel like part of the group.

Adjust activities for special needs

Some older adults don't enjoy big groups, while some love being the center of attention. Some love to get out of the house, and some are homebodies. You know your senior best, so you can customize activities to suit their personality and special needs.

For example, someone with

Alzheimer's may want to stay in a separate room and only greet a few family members at a time to keep things calm and avoid overstimulation.

Another example is seniors with declining vision. They might enjoy being in a busy room while someone describes what's happening to help them "see" what's going on around them.

Fun ideas

When it comes to choosing activities, every older adult has different abilities, likes and dislikes. If you have a variety of options at the ready, you'll have a good chance of finding something the whole family can enjoy.

Here are a dozen ideas to get



your creative juices flowing.

- Card games
- Board games
- Reading aloud
- Listening to your senior's favorite music
- Talking with kids about "the

olden days"

- Watching movies together—at home or in a theater
- Family walk around the neighborhood or in a local park
- Strolling around the mall
- Online shopping for things

your older adult needs

- Enjoying tea or coffee together
- Baking cookies
- Cooking or preparing food – there are tasks for many ability levels

Pace activities and stick to routines

Older adults have less energy and stamina, so watch for signs of fatigue and suggest breaks or naps. Changing routines can also be tough for seniors to adjust to, so it's always a good idea to stick to their normal routine as much as possible.

Older adults should join in the fun whenever possible, but be careful not to overdo it.

What to know about cardiac rehabilitation

According to the American Heart Association (AHA), one in five American adults will develop heart failure at some point in their lives and approximately 915,000 Americans will have a heart attack each year.

The impact of heart failure and heart attacks can be greatly reduced by cardiac rehabilitation, which can also improve recovery after cardiac surgery, but these programs are sadly underutilized. Less than 35 percent of heart attack survivors and only 31 percent of those who have had coronary bypass surgery choose to go through cardiac rehabilitation. Many who don't participate in cardiac rehabilitation suffer lasting repercussions.

Few people are aware of how much these programs can benefit their heart health. If you aren't familiar with the benefits of cardiac rehabilitation, it's time to learn more, because it's likely that you or a loved one could benefit from it someday.

How can cardiac rehabilitation help?

The AHA defines cardiac rehabilitation as "a medically supervised program to help patients recover and improve overall physical, mental and social function. The goal is to stabilize, slow or even reverse the progression of heart failure [to] reduce the risk of heart disease,

another cardiac event or death."

AHA segments the treatment into exercise, education and stress management.

More simply, cardiac rehabilitation is the process of helping those with heart conditions get back on their feet through extensive monitoring, medical check-ins, and exercise and diet modification.

Most programs consist of an initial evaluation stage followed by a personalized program consisting of exercises and guidance on remaining health conscious during recovery.

Specific rehabilitation programs differ depending on medical history, though participants can usually expect them to last around three months with an option to extend care. Since cardiac rehab is completely customized to the individual, someone could receive years of carefully monitored assistance depending on their specific medical condition.

For those recovering from a surgical procedure like angioplasty, in which a small balloon is used to open up a blocked artery to improve blood flow, rehabilitation can address specific post-surgical needs. In the case of angioplasty, a rehabilitation program will teach participants how to care for the catheter insertion site, which requires close monitoring immediately following surgery to reduce pain. Across cardiac conditions, cardiac rehabilitation reduces the

risks of recurring problems.

What are the barriers to cardiac rehabilitation?

Despite the clear benefits of rehab, there are many barriers to entering a program. The most notable is the lack of physician referral, which is necessary to enter cardiac rehabilitation. One study in the Journal of the American

College of Cardiology found that only 56 percent of those suffering a heart condition were referred to cardiac rehabilitation, leaving almost half of patients to recover on their own.

While this referral rate may seem lower than it should be, the rate for older adults is even lower. If cardiac rehab has been proven to aid in the recovery process and

decrease mortality rates, why do many hospitals have dismal referral rates to cardiac rehab?

This question doesn't have a clear answer. Some studies have found that physicians are less likely to refer patients they feel are unlikely to complete a rehabilitation program. Past heart conditions and distance from a

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Dialysis care at Continental Nursing and Rehabilitation

When kidney function needs a boost

The statistics are sobering – kidney disease is on the rise in the United States today.

One in 10 American adults (more than 20 million people) now have some level of chronic kidney disease.

End-stage renal disease is especially hard-hitting among African Americans at a rate that is three times higher than for Caucasians.

The combination of obesity and eating a diet high in salt and rich in calories has taken its toll, leading to long-term hypertension and Type II diabetes with terrible end results on kidney function.

“I have a whole new respect for kidneys since getting into this line of work,” registered nurse Shawndale Pugh said. “I’ve learned that we all need to teach our kids how to eat better so they will be healthy adults.”

Pugh oversees the dialysis treatment program at Continental Nursing and Rehabilitation, 5336 N. Western Ave.

“Kidneys are a wonderful and perfectly designed machine,” he said. “What they accomplish for our bodies and the fact that we’re blessed with two when we really only need one – is amazing. It has



Shawndale Pugh RN, who has 17 years’ experience working with kidney patients, oversees the dialysis unit at Continental Nursing & Rehab Center.

made me very health conscious about my own habits, especially in staying hydrated and avoiding sugary drinks.”

P u g h notes that a healthy renal diet is low in salt, contains the right amount of daily calories, and includes such good sources of protein as fish and chicken.

Renal-smart diets

Kidneys flourish when we eat foods that contain the following:

- Potassium – carrots, potatoes, bananas, oranges, cantaloupe
- Phosphorus – beef, cheddar cheese, almonds, certain seafood
- Sodium – soup/broth, bacon, canned spaghetti sauce
- Purine – split peas, tuna, pork, asparagus
- Oxalates – green beans, cashews, tangerines, cocoa
- Fluids – milk, coffee, lemonade, tea, water

Kidney function

The average kidney weighs in at just 2.8 to 3 pounds and plays a very powerful role in keeping us well. Pugh listed the top five functions healthy kidneys perform for our body:

1. Remove wastes and extra fluid
2. Control blood pressure
3. Make red blood cells
4. Keep bones healthy
5. Control pH (acid – base balance) levels

Causes of kidney impairment

Kidney function can become compromised from long-term hypertension, diabetes, blunt trauma, congenital defects, lupus, congestive heart failure and rheumatoid arthritis, among other issues.

If kidneys become too disabled to function on their own, dialysis care may be an option.

Dialysis is a life-saving mechanical pro-

cess for removing waste and excess water from the blood when the kidneys are no longer functioning.

At Continental, the unit operates 12 hours a day, five days a week, with a staff of four. Patients are assigned their own machine in the unit to decrease cross contamination, and treatment times vary between two and three hours per session.

“Once hooked up to the machine, dialysis is a painless procedure,” Pugh explained. “It is not a cure – the underlying medical condition creating the need for dialysis is what has to be treated, if possible.”

At Continental’s dialysis unit, patients range in age from their late 40s to their early 60s. Currently, the unit treats 19 in-patients.

“What I like best about my work here is the ability to care for the whole patient and give them back some quality of life again,” Pugh said. “From providing patient education to identifying someone who is depressed or scared, we get to know our patients very well and can supply them with whatever extra emotional support they may need to feel better.”

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cardiac rehabilitation program were also defining factors in whether an individual was referred. This can have an outsized impact on certain groups, including those 65 or older, people of color and women. These gaps in cardiac rehabilitation referrals line up with an increased risk of subsequent cardiac events.

In addition to these low referral rates, many who are referred mistakenly believe that cardiac rehabilitation caters to a younger generation, but this is simply not the case. Cardiac rehabilitation is ultimately about improving quality of life, regardless of age. In a strong cardiac rehabilitation program, medical professionals will consider an individual’s personal needs and limitations prior to defining a rehabilitation program.

Unfortunately, many patients are unaware of the benefits they could receive through a rehabilitation program and fail (CMSS) believes cardiac rehabilitation should be an empowering experience, where

also leaves with a better understanding of his or her health goals and how to achieve them.

The American Heart Association attributes a 20 to 30 percent reduction in mortality rates to cardiac rehabilitation. If you have a cardiac condition or if cardiac problems run in your family, it’s time to learn more and talk to your doctor about options for cardiac rehabilitation.

Bill Lowe is the president and CEO of CMSS, a nonprofit provider of memory care; skilled nursing; supportive and assisted living; cardiac, orthopedic and neurologic rehabilitation; and other aging services.

About CMSS

CMSS is committed to helping each person live and feel as well as possible through person-centered care and life-enriching programming including art and music therapy. We believe it’s a good day when everyone who cares for you knows your story.

Located in the heart of Chicago’s Andersonville neighborhood, CMSS offers memory care in both assisted living and skilled nursing communities; short-term rehabilitation programs including specialties in cardiac, orthopedic and neurologic rehabilitation; long-term skilled nursing; supportive living; low-income senior housing; and programming for the greater community including fitness and technology classes and in-home technology support. In collaboration with partner nonprofit organization Services for Adults Staying in Their Homes (SASI), CMSS also offers home care.

As a nonprofit, CMSS is dedicated to investing its resources into programs that improve the quality of life for those served, including a robust selection of arts offerings. These programs are customized to fit individuals’ abilities, interests, and needs, because getting to know you is one of the ways CMSS is able to care better.

Chicago Methodist Senior Services (CMSS) believes cardiac rehabilitation should be an empowering experience, where individuals can work with doctors and nurses to improve their own health outcomes.

to ask their doctors about it. But you can ask your doctor for a referral. For the sake of your health and well-being, you should educate yourself about cardiac rehabilitation programs in your area and talk to your doctor about your options.

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Top tips from The Clare Athletic Club help people stay strong, motivated



Melissa Cusick, The Clare Athletic Club

"Holiday eating is not wrong, or even bad, and should be enjoyed!" says Melissa Cusick, fitness manager and exercise physiologist of the Athletic Club at The Clare, the Gold Coast retirement community at Rush and Pearson streets.

Nonetheless, the holidays can be the starting line for a 10-week eating and drinking marathon with participants filling up at every turn. A 3,000-calorie dinner begins the race, followed by holiday baking, cocktail parties, open houses, banquets, rich desserts, a New Year's Eve bash, and the Super Bowl at the finish line.

"One of my goals at this time of the year," says Cusick, "is to see our independent living residents stay strong, motivated, and mindful about taking care of themselves."

Always upbeat, engaging, and high spirited, Cusick works daily with Clare residents, leading group fitness classes and creating individualized exercise routines.

She also manages a program called "The Clare Contenders," where she tracks residents' attendance in exercise classes, their pool visits, and their Athletic Club visits, and posts monthly results.

"Everyone likes to see their success recognized," she said. "It helps build accountability."

Cusick is affiliated with The National

Institute for Fitness and Sport (NIFS). Here are her top tips on being smarter about holiday feasting and exercising.

Tip #1: Do not arrive hungry

Be sure to avoid arriving hungry. Do not skip meals! This can lead to over-eating once you arrive at the party. Snack on something nutritious, high in protein or fiber, low-fat, and low in calories BUT... don't forget you ate it – pay attention to your hunger signals!

Tip #2: Go last in line

Be the last person to go through the buffet line. By the time you finish your first serving, most everyone is finished eating their second, third, or even fourth serving.

Tip #3: Do not stand next to the food

Standing around the buffet table or by the bowl of snacks creates an almost irresistible temptation to graze. Save yourself some calories by taking a few steps back.

Tip #4: Eat, but do not overeat

Eat slowly and until you are full... then halt! It is unrealistic to expect that you will be able to cut out all fattening holiday eating, so don't deny yourself the treats you love, just enjoy in moderation. Be selective about the special treats you have and enjoy them – just watch how much you are putting on your plate. SAVOR THE FLAVOR of small portions.

Tip #5: Use a small plate

We tend to finish what is on our plates, so select a small plate! If the plate and cup are small, servings will also have to be small. This is a good way to control your calorie consumption. Picnic plates with dividers are also useful.

Tip #6: Trim back the trimmings

Go easy on the nuts, cheese, sauces, gra-



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Exercise of the Month - side crunches

Position yourself with a stable surface to your left side. Stand with feet hip-width apart and knees slightly bent. Engage your core and place your right hand on the side of your head.

Lift the right leg, bending the knee at a 90 degree angle and turning the thigh out to the side.

Bend to the right, bringing your right elbow towards your raised right knee. Avoid bending forward when performing the side crunch.

Perform desired amount of repetitions, then switch sides. Hold on to a stable surface with non-exercising hand if balance issues exist.

Benefits of side crunches include improved balance and exercising core muscles without getting on the floor.

vy, and butter. Alternate alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. Skip the appetizers. Check out the entire food selection before you start filling up your plate.

Tip #7: Quit the "Clean-Your-Plate Club"

Know when enough is enough. Eat your food slowly to allow your brain time to register it is full. Wait 15 minutes before going back for a second helping.

Tip #8: Eat natural

Whenever possible, choose foods that are as close as possible to how nature made them. One of the keys to a successful weight management program is to avoid processed foods. Fill up on fresh fruit and vegetables, whole grain breads, and lean meat.

Tip #9: Think before you eat

One of the biggest traps of holiday eating is the abundance of food that is available. Think about what you are eating before actually eating it. Listen to your body's hunger signals.

Tip #10: Exercise before eating

Strive for 30 minutes of exercise before attending a holiday gathering. Exercise helps suppress appetite, burn extra calories, and increase self-esteem and motivation.

Tip #11: Exercise after eating

A short walk after a big meal can prevent you from eating more, help you burn extra calories, and allow you to enjoy time with family and friends.

Ask the NIFS (National Institute for Fitness and Sport) expert

Question: Should I perform my stretches before or after my exercise routine?

Answer: It is typically recommended that stretches are done after a warm up and/or at the end of an exercise routine when muscles and joints are warmed up. Stretching cold muscles could cause injury. Think of a rubber band that has been in the freezer. When stretched, the cold rubber band will snap at a much shorter distance than a warmer band. This is similar to how our muscles work.

Stretching can increase a joint's range of motion, which can improve walking, posture and several other daily tasks. A good rule of thumb is to stretch to the point where you feel a light stretch but NEVER pain. If you feel pain, then ease off the stretch to a more comfortable position. Hold each stretch for 15-30 seconds before moving to the next.

Stretching at the end of an exercise routine will usually ensure that muscle groups are sufficiently warm and ready to perform a proper stretch. This is a great opportunity to stretch the major muscle groups such as the legs, core, arms and neck, among others.

The recommended amount of stretching is at least three times per week for 15 minutes each bout, but stretching more often can yield even better results.

If you prefer to stretch in the beginning of your workout, then perform dynamic stretches. These active stretches engage a range of motion that warm up the joints and muscles. Avoid ballistic or bouncing movements when performing dynamic stretches, as they can cause injury.

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The power of art therapy

Memory loss can fundamentally alter how a person connects to the world around them. However, the arts have shown time after time to have a profound impact on memory, allowing many to engage with loved ones and express themselves in new and powerful ways.

This fall, Bringing Art to Life, a project led by Dr. Daniel C. Potts and Ellen Potts, is expanding to Chicago with the support of High Socks for Hope, the foundation started by White Sox pitcher David Robertson and his wife Erin Robertson. The Bringing Arts to Life program was developed in part by registered art therapist Angel C. Duncan, who is also active as a clinical researcher on issues related to memory loss and serves as the director of education at the Neuropsychiatric Research Center of Southwest Florida. In Chicago, the project will have a special focus on veterans with memory loss, in keeping with a key mission of High Socks for Hope: veterans' relief.

Bringing Art to Life - Chicago will roll out at Chicago-land Methodist Senior Services (CMSS) through the Engagement Through the Arts initiative alongside Music & MemorySM, a music therapy program that launched at CMSS earlier this year. In July, CMSS held a kickoff event at CMSS' Wesley

Place, led by art therapist Jenn Ross, along with Angela Ray and Cyrus Alavi, project directors from Bringing Art to Life - Chicago. The Robertsons and their young son came by to help launch the program and talk to the group about their art.

Here's what happened at that event — and how people can bring the benefits of art therapy to others with memory loss.

Making connections, sharing stories

Part of the power of art therapy is its ability to help people open up and forge connections. Married couple Richard and Jean Anderson participated in this kickoff together. Richard, who served in the Naval Air Force Reserve and was active during the Cuban missile crisis, lives with Parkinson's disease, as well as memory loss. Together, the couple created a magnificent piece based on the quote, "Without change, there could be no butterflies."

Jean says she's experienced firsthand that art therapy can restore some of one's ability to connect with the world around them that memory loss limits. She credits the program with giving people the opportunity to reach outside of themselves.

"That's the gift of being alive — it's being connected," said Jean. "This art program gives people the means by which they can re-establish

and maintain that connectedness. Maybe they'll paint something from a memory or someone loved."

During the program, Theresa Reilly, who served as an Army

nurse in World War II, shared stories of her childhood on a farm, her time in the Army and her career after the war ended, teaching other nurses. Reilly seemed to thoroughly enjoy telling these stories and was engaged in the process.

She even told David Robertson about the time she went to a White Sox game with a school group, decades before he joined the team. Her memory didn't waver, even when it came to the finer details about the game she attended.

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Ultimately, art is another way of communicating and sharing with each other, even when memory loss has made other ways of connecting more difficult.

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How to bring art therapy to loved ones

There are many things you can do to bring the benefits of art therapy to people in your life, even if

therapist is the gold standard for people with memory loss and other health concerns, other types of engagement with art bring their own benefits. If you are not able to work with an art therapist, you can still create a meaningful experience for your loved ones.

Remember, creating art is not the time to set too many rules or expectations. While Ross starts people off with a particular directive, she allows the participants to shift their focus to what most engages them. Do the same for your loved one. Plan a project to get your loved one interested, but don't set an end goal. There is no wrong way for them to engage with the activity, as long as they are enjoying it.

Then, make sure you learn from what your loved one has found the most fun or soothing in the past. Listen to your loved one's preferences and allow them to shape what you bring to the table. Keep working with different materials until you find some that your loved one likes.

Making time to pick up paints or colored pencils provides a creative outlet for hardworking caregivers, too. So whether you plan to find an art therapist or just to print out some coloring pages, take the first step today. You may be surprised by the outcome.

Sing-Along Messiah

Second Presbyterian Church hosts its annual Sing-Along Messiah on Sunday, December 11 at 3:30 p.m. This free concert is a holiday classic sung by professional soloists and accompanied by the Sounds of the South Loop Players. Maestra Kim Diehnelt directs, accompanied by organist Michael Shawgo. Singers are invited to bring your own score, or purchase one at the door. An offering will be received to benefit the Greater Chicago Food Depository. A festive reception will follow.

For more information, see the church website 2ndpresbyterian.org. Second Presbyterian Church is a National Historic Landmark.

BAKERS NEEDED

Donations of homemade cookies and cakes are needed from local bakers for the upcoming Holiday Market and Bake Sale.

Drop-offs can be made any time through Dec. 14 and the North Center Satellite Senior Center, 4040 N. Oakley Ave.

Items can be brought in after hours. Mark items to Attn: Liza Martin Bake Sale. Do not make anything that needs refrigeration, and do not package individually.

The running bake sale is 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 7-9 and Dec. 12-16. Gifts will be available along with the freshly baked goods for sale. All are welcome.

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FAME? *from p. 2*

91. It marks a sad passing in the life of the Queen for whom she was BFF for 80 years.

JUST ASKING: But the **Trump** signs appear to still be up on the sign posts around the Trump Hotel. Hey, **Ald. Brendan Reilly**, what's going on?

AMERICAN ALL THE WAY: When **Jimmy Galanos** died last October, America lost not only a fashion icon but a patriot. He walked the trail that most Americans did from the old country. But Jimmy wanted to connect the aesthetics of the old world with the new. He did it with fabric and design, creating an elegant American hybrid that could stand tall and chic on the runways of the world. He was a favorite of First Lady **Nancy Reagan**. And in Chicago he dressed the likes of **Sugar Rautbord**. He was the American dream in fine fabric.



Socialite Sugar Rautbord with fashion designer James Galanos, who died last week.

NEW DIGS: **Anastasia Chatzka** getting ready to move into a huge, massive, design space in which her fashion can come alive as one of Chicago's top couturiers.

MUST SEE TV: **Shelley McArthur Farley** is bursting with pride and joy as her son, **Scott MacArthur**, is ready for the premiere of his new comedy, "The Mick," which will premiere on Sunday, Jan. 1 on Fox.

IS THIS SEAT TAKEN?: What big name hotel is playing host to Chi-town's hottest couple between the sheets. It seems a business "mogul" bumped into the hotel's darling employee, coming back from the spa, and then headed back in for some love and canoodling in the hot tub with bubbles and steam. The mogul secured permanent lodging for his Chicago visits (without his wife) and sleeps in a suite with his darling on the south side of the river.

IS THAT A DOGGY IN THE WINDOW?: Did a same-sex, married couple find more than a pooch at the Anti-Cruelty Society on Grand Ave.?

ARE YOU USING THAT STOOL?: Was there some commotion recently at Eataly (Italian Foodery) when two strangers were drinking next to each other when they started exchanging more than phone numbers in public? Apparently one of the strangers was well-known to nearby Chicago folk who recognized one of Chicago's very own, married in a far North suburb, but off-the-leash when he was going Italian on the beauty he found at the bar.

CAN I SEE SOME I.D.?: What City Hall Summer worker from Sauganash is telling everyone how nice her boss was to her when she worked there after



Art Institute's Nora Ann Gainer and sister, Maureen Gainer Reilly, at AIC bash.

graduating from high school? She says that he treated her to lunches, dinners and concerts in the park. Her boss, it seems, is a mid-level dufus in the Streets and Sanitation Dept. But she says she has had a tough time keeping in touch since he got a new cell phone and new number. Seems his Mrs. is back in town and he is busy entertaining her.

WHO'S WHERE: **Jonathan Wells** and **Ioanna Partillo** off to Art Basel in Miami, hope they see the work that Chicagoan **Caryl Chaiken Gordon** just sold at the great exhibition. **Sarah Q. Crain's** bags are packed, but I forgot where she is going? **Lance Ritter** eating French at the Butler and the Chef in San Francisco with **Grant Davis** and **Ohn Ho. Myra Reilly** in Palm Beach for a very glamorous wedding ... actor

John T. O'Brien lining up good parts and lots of commercials. **Nina Mariano** and **Neil Zucker** at the Green Tie Ball. **Blair Kamin** checking out the wondrous restoration of the Women's Lounge at Union Station. **Sherren Leigh** listening to the birds sing in Michigan. **Barb Bailey** proud as punch after hearing her babies sing at the Empire Room of the Palmer House, the lovely **Denise Tomasello**, **Dakota Horvath**, **Ellen Boehme** and **Linda Clifford**. **Rodney Alex** returned from his exotic journey through the Florida Keys. **John Buchbinder** at Sayat Nova for **Laine McDonnell's** birthday



Gold Coast Coat Drive begins at Frankie's on 5 free party with new or gently used coat for neighborhood homeless.

bash, filmmaker **Colleen Grace Herlihy** debuting her film "Life is Short" in both Chicago, the U.S. and Ireland. Writer **Lucia Adams** making a pitstop at Luxbar to sample the extraordinary chocolate torte cake. **Brenden Bryant** at Corda di Volpe, a new Italian eatery, Christie's **Steven Zick** at the Indianapolis Art Museum displaying a hidden American

gem, **Nora Ann Gainer** with her children at the Notebart Museum in special children's class to learn how to make holiday desserts.

THE WARMER THE COAT, THE BETTER: Chef **Chris Favaro**, from Frankie's on 5, and **Diane O'Connell** are in cahoots again to get as many new and lightly used coats as possible for this year's Christmas Coat Drive. So bring yours to Frankie's at 900 N. Michigan Ave. to receive your complimentary admission to the gala party that is always oh, so good. Both Frankie's and Luxbar are offering gift cards for use to their establishments after New Years. They are all in partnership with Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago who helps to distribute the winter gear to the street folk who need it most.

STAY STRONG GIRL: With the New Year comes the return of one of my all-time favorites, Chicago Children's Theatre's "The Hundred Dresses," the smash-hit musical about a young girl who struggles with bullying and learns what it takes to stand up to others, even when you're standing alone. A good mother-daughter date, you know. Performances Jan. 17 through Feb. 12.

THE IRISH FELLOWSHIP CLUB OF CHICAGO: The baton has been passed from IFC President **Kevin Conlon**, **Hillary Clinton's** mainstay in Illinois, to new IFC President **Chris "Lynch" Kozicki**, the club's 117th President that count almost all the Daleys, as well as other political giants as leaders. Among **Old Mayor Daley's** first official acts after becoming Mayor of Chicago and President of the IFC was to invite young Senator **John Fitzgerald Kennedy** to its St. Patrick's Day shindig back in 1956.

AMEN!: Backed by a live choir, Steppenwolf's The Christians is a fascinating new play about faith in modern America for both

believers and nonbelievers. A pastor, a controversial sermon, and a schism that threatens a church, oh my!

JADE COURT: This noble Chinese restaurant from Chinatown might be brand new, but its cuisine is cultural ancient treasure. At 600 S. Racine in Little Italy it is filled to capacity with faithful loyalists who cherish its exquisite food. So glad they have moved north.

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Police Beat....

Gunman robbing North Side retailers, say police

A gunman who robbed a Lakeview Walgreens and a North Center Jewel-Osco within 20 minutes of each other in late November is also responsible for robbing two drugs stores in Edgewater, according to an alert issued by Area North detectives.

Without naming specific businesses, the alert warns of a Hispanic male gunman between 25- and 45-years-old, and weighing 180- to 230 lbs., who robbed two stores in the 6100 block of N. Broadway on Nov. 26.

A law enforcement source identified the targeted Edgewater businesses as the CVS Pharmacy at 6150 N. Broadway and the Walgreens at 6121 N. Broadway. The hold-ups occurred at 4:19 a.m. and 7:40 p.m. respectively.

The next day, the same man robbed a Walgreens at 3201 N. Broadway and a Jewel supermarket at 3400 N. Western, the source said.

While the alert says the man wore a tan Carhartt-style jacket during the hold-ups, this newspaper learned independently that three of the four victims said he was wearing a blue and black jacket.

At least two victims said the man has a mustache.

During the hold-ups in the Lakeview area, witnesses said the gunman fled in a white four-door vehicle, possibly a Maxima or Altima, that was driven by another person.

Anyone with information about the offender is asked to call Area North investigators at 312-744-8263.

FBI Investigating 2 North Side bank robberies



The FBI is investigating a pair of North Side bank robberies.

On Dec. 1, the TCF Bank at 4250 N. Lincoln was robbed of about \$3,000 by a man who wore a wild Afro wig and sunglasses.

The man entered the North Center neighborhood bank around 3:40 p.m. and presented a note to a teller that demanded cash, the FBI said. He then fled in an unknown direction.

According to the FBI, the man is black, about 25-years-old, and he stands 5'-10" to 6' tall. He wore the wig, a black hooded



sweatshirt with red sleeves, dark jeans, large sunglasses, and gray shoes.

Then, at 9:03 a.m. on Dec. 2, a different man robbed the U.S. Bank at 4725 N. Western in Lincoln Square of \$1,411.

The FBI said the robber is white, between 40- and 50-years-old, and he stands 5'-6" to 5'-9" tall. He wore a red knit hat, a dark scarf, a tan coat, dark pants, and gray tennis shoes.

Authorities are offering a reward for information that leads them to either man. The FBI Chicago office may be contacted at 312-421-6700.

Fernandez-Valencia is one of more than 20 alleged members of the cartels to be indicted in federal court in Chicago, including the Sinaloa Cartel's leader, Joaquin "Chapo" Guzman.

Perp gets 15 years for convenience store heist

A man who may have been involved in the armed robberies of nine convenience stores last year has pleaded guilty to one hold-up in exchange for a stiff 15-year sentence.

Prosecutors said Mitchell Thomas, 25, and Jamie Branch, 24, were arrested after they robbed a West Town 7-Eleven store at 3 a.m. on March 27, 2015.

Cops said Thomas pistol-whipped an employee at the store and then fled from police who happened upon the scene while the robbery was underway.

Branch pleaded guilty earlier this year in exchange for a seven-year sentence.

Two other suspects who fled from Branch's vehicle when it crashed during a police pursuit were never found.

The couple was suspected of carrying out at least eight other armed robberies of convenience stores in Lakeview, Lincoln Park, and West Town during a two-week spree.

Under Illinois' standard 50% reduction in sentencing, Mitchell will be paroled on Sept. 16, 2022, and Branch will be let loose on Aug. 8, 2018.



Mitchell Thomas



Jamie Branch

Grand jury charges alleged cop beater

A Cook County grand jury has returned an eight-count true bill against a man who allegedly beat an off-duty Chicago police officer during an altercation outside of Wrigley Field this summer.

Tremaine Wilson, 29, was charged with aggravated battery of a police officer and reckless conduct in the June 22 incident.

But Cook County Judge Marvin Luckman threw out the case citing "no probable cause" two weeks later even though cops identified Wilson after reviewing footage from a nearby surveillance camera.

Flummoxed prosecutors took their case to



Tremaine Wilson

the grand jury.

Wilson's now facing six counts of aggravated battery to a police officer and two counts of aggravated battery in a public place.

The incident occurred beneath a 24-hour webcam that captured audio of the disturbance as the off-duty cop tried to quell a fight on the street. The camera's microphone also captured squeals of delight from bystanders after the cop was knocked out.

The 28-year-old off-duty officer suffered a concussion, facial injuries, and a cut to his head, according to a source. He joined the police department three years ago after leaving the Marine Corps as a sergeant, the source said.

A judge set Wilson's bail at \$10,000.

Cocaine trafficker gets 27 years

A high-ranking associate of two Mexican drug trafficking organizations has been sentenced to 27 years in prison for his role in transporting large amounts of cocaine to the Chicago area.

Manuel Fernandez-Valencia smuggled large quantities of narcotics into the U.S. from Mexico for the Sinaloa Cartel and the Beltran-Leyva Organization, federal prosecutors said last week.

The two organizations used aircraft, submarines, container ships, fishing boats, buses, tractor-trailers and automobiles to bring drugs to safe houses in southern California to await distribution to Chicago and other parts of the country, authorities said.

Federal investigators said the case has resulted in the seizures of \$30.8 million in cash, eleven tons of cocaine, nearly 600 pounds of methamphetamine, and 172 pounds of heroin.

Fernandez-Valencia, 48, pleaded guilty last year to one count of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute controlled substances.

A U.S. District judge handed down the 324-month sentence Wednesday.

Inmates to receive state ID under new law

Illinois Gov. Bruce Rauner said he is looking forward to signing newly-passed legislation that requires all persons in the state's prisons and juvenile detention centers to possess a valid state identification card at the time of their release.

The law aims to reduce recidivism, Rauner said.

"We need to remove some of the hurdles offenders face when they are released from a detention facility and begin to re-integrate into society," he said. "In this case, it's the simple step of providing an offender with a state ID."

For inmates who cannot produce the state's standard proof of address and identification, the Secretary of State's office will provide a temporary identification card, Rauner said.

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UBER from p. 1

weeks before he would allegedly assault the 21-year-old, Nafasat picked up a male Uber customer in Logan Square.

During the ride to Lincoln Park, Nafasat “inappropriately inquired of [the passenger] as to what he liked sexually and what his sexual preference was,” prosecutors say.

The man “filed a complaint about [Nafasat’s] inappropriate sexual conduct and behavior with Uber through client feedback,” the state said.

None the less, Nafasat continued to drive for the company and, less than three weeks later, he attacked the 21-year-old victim in his vehicle.

He convinced the customer to sit in his minivan’s front passenger seat, claiming that the back seats were dirty and broken, prosecutors say.

After turning off the Uber tracking app, Nafasat allegedly told the victim, “No one knows where you are” and then began assaulting the man as he drove on Roosevelt

Rd., according to the allegations.

“At times, when [Nafasat] had to stop his vehicle, he would grab the victim by the face and throat to prevent him from exiting... The offender also pulled down his own pants” and attempted to force the victim to perform a sex act, prosecutors said.

The victim was also choked and had Nafasat’s tongue and fingers forcibly shoved down his throat during the ride, according to the filing.

We asked Uber to comment on their complaint handling procedures and other aspects of this story. The company, citing a policy of not commenting on “pending litigation,” referred us to an Uber blog post about customer safety.

In September, Nafasat’s attorneys asked the court to return his passport “in a limited capacity” so he could travel to Canada and Pakistan on business for a new employer.

The judge denied his request. He is due back in court on Jan. 23.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF Cook, ss--IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff, vs. EDWARD JAMES, BEVERLY A. TABOR, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, UNKNOWN OWNERS-TENANTS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, et al., Defendants, Case No. 16 CH 12553.

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you: UNKNOWN OWNERS-TENANTS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled suit has been commenced in the IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION, by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: LOT 32 IN BLOCK 5 IN MARTIN ANDERSON'S SUBDIVISION OF LOTS 1 TO 9, BOTH INCLUSIVE, AND LOTS 30 TO 39, BOTH INCLUSIVE, IN BLOCK 3 AND LOTS 1 TO 48, BOTH INCLUSIVE, IN BLOCK 5, ALL IN HOOD'S SUBDIVISION OF BLOCKS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 AND 18 IN SALISBURY'S SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 39 NORTH, RANGE 13, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. PIN: 16-05-412-007-0000. Commonly known as: 1039 North Menard Avenue, Chicago, IL 60651, and which said Mortgage was made by EDWARD JAMES, BEVERLY A. TABOR, as Mortgagee, and recorded as document number 0422520033, and the present owner(s) of the property being EDWARD JAMES, and for other relief: that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law, and that the said suit is now pending.

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16 CH 12553

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.

Plaintiff,

-v.-

KENNETH M. DAVISON, MARYANN MICELI-DAVISON

Defendants

16 CH 04346

4334 NORTH RIDGEWAY AVENUE Chicago, IL 60618

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 19, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on January 20, 2017, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: LOT 42 AND THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 43 IN BLOCK 5 IN THE SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 1 TO 31, BOTH INCLUSIVE IN W.B. WALKER'S ADDITION TO CHICAGO, IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

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Property Index No. 13-14-304-027-0000.

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For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: WEISS MCCLELLAND LLC, 105 WEST ADAMS STREET, SUITE 1850, Chicago, IL 60603, (312) 605-3500 Please refer to file number IL-003857.

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16 CH 04346

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION BEN FRANKLIN BANK OF ILLINOIS, A FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK

Plaintiff,

-v.-

GEORGE D. SULLIVAN, AN INDIVIDUAL, SUSAN E. SULLIVAN, AN INDIVIDUAL, G. WILLIAM HUBBARD, II, AN INDIVIDUAL, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

Defendants

16 CH 01138

7716 N. ASHLAND AVENUE Chicago, IL 60626

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poisoning in U.S. history at the time. At least 16,284 people were infected, all but 1,059 of them from Illinois. Two people died and the infection was a contributing factor in the deaths of four, possibly five, others.

Two of the children from The Jack in the Box outbreak died from secondary contact transmission from another sick child. Ironically, the parents of the infected child

“There is one thing that people don’t realize about those that have had food poisoning,” says Rutledge. “You go back to work or school and people say ‘you look fine,’ but every time you take a bite of food and your stomach starts to gurgle, you think to yourself, ‘oh no, Is this happening again?’ And it can create an anxiety not unlike post traumatic stress disorder.”

both worked at the restaurant and fed him a steady beef diet, whereas the other child had never eaten a burger.

Viruses are the other deadly group. They are much smaller than bacteria and cannot exist outside a living host. They reproduce only when they invade living cells. They are easily transferred from one food product to another, from contaminated water to food, and from infected food handlers to food. They are thought to be the leading cause of foodborne illness in the U.S. and tend to occur in closed and crowded environments like hospitals, nursing homes, schools and cruise ships.

The two most recognizable of

these are Hepatitis A and Novo virus.

They are most deadly because antibiotics, which are often used successfully with bacteria, do not stop viruses.

With these, recovery time usually depends on the health of your immune system.

“I am surprised that more people don’t get sick,” says Stanley Rutledge, Community Coordinator for S.T.O.P. Foodborne Illness. “A brother and sister will eat the same thing and react totally different because of nuances in their immune systems. Sometimes a human body is so frail and other times it is amazing to see how strong it is.”

There are several sobering stories on the S.T.O.P. website that tell the tale of what hell can be like on earth. This one is from a teenager named Anne who contracted E coli:

“The toxins spread to four of my major organs, my heart, brain, pancreas, and kidneys. All in all, I was in the hospital for a month, with the first two weeks in intensive care, followed by three months of outpatient therapy.”

“E coli has ravaging side effects. As the toxins were spreading throughout my body, fluid started to fill up around my heart. I was having constant hallucinations. I got pancreatitis and my kidneys completely stopped functioning for 18 days.”

“The doctors didn’t know whether I was going to live or if I would be mentally handicapped. Even though the disease ravaged my life for almost four years, I still remember almost all of my hallucinations. I was in a prison, an elevator, a friends’ house, and a hotel. The nurse told my family that reason does not impact reality so they had to play along with



Group shot of constituents/volunteers of S.T.O.P. [L to R] Sherri & John Proffit, Deirdre Schlunegger, Kathy Chismer & Stanley Rutledge.

what I saw in my head.”

To the amazement of her doctors, Anne has made an almost complete recovery. While she was in the hospital her mother found The S.T.O.P. website and was able to contact and confer with other families that had experienced similar horrors and gain valuable information and insight.

Anne never did discover the source of the E coli that almost killed her.

Rutledge contacts any cases of foodborne illness that he can discover to encourage them to write their story or talk to the media. To some it has been the worst experience of their life and all they want to do is to forget it and never speak of it again. For others it is a nightmare that has to be shared so that it won’t happen to anyone else.

“There is one thing that people don’t realize about those that have had food poisoning,” says Rutledge. “You go back to work or school and people say ‘you look fine,’ but every time you take a bite of food and your stomach starts to gurgle, you think to yourself, ‘oh no, Is this happening again?’ And it can create an anxiety not unlike

post traumatic stress disorder.”

Going to The USDA Recalls and Public Health website you can see that besides the recent nationwide recall of Sabra brand hummus, that there were 14 other recalls just in the last month. They included everything from ready-to-eat chicken to meatballs, pork gravy, shepherd’s pie, egg rolls and beef sausage.

The advent of social media has made a great impact on food awareness and contamination response. In the past, food companies and restaurants were slow to respond, but these days everyone knows everything, and right now. Sabra was a nationwide recall that happened before anyone even got sick.

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- v -
BRADFORD A. LEHEW, BMO HARRIS BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, BIRCHWOOD BEACH CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants
15 CH 005711
1429 W. BIRCHWOOD AVENUE UNIT #3E 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 July 6, 2015, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on January 5, 2017, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 1429 W. BIRCHWOOD AVENUE UNIT #3E, CHICAGO, IL 60626 Property Index No. 11-29-307-025-1014. The real estate is improved with a single family residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the

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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 14-15-01445. 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.tjisc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@ilcslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-15-01445 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Attorney Code. 21782 Case Number: 15 CH 005711 TJS#F: 36-13614 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. 1709377

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR HARBORVIEW MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-8, ASSIGNEE OF BANKUNITED, F.S.B., Plaintiff, vs. BAHRI B. HYSA AND XHEVAHIRE HYSA, UNKNOWN TENANTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, 10 CH 54148 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercountry Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 716A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate: Commonly known as 6438 North Francisco Avenue, Chicago, IL 60645. P.I.N. 10-36-325-013. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a multi-family residence. The successful purchaser is entitled to possession of the property only. The purchaser may only obtain possession of units within the multi-unit property occupied by individuals named in the order of possession. 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 Sale Clerk at Plaintiff's Attorney, Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Burr Ridge, Illinois 60527. (630) 794-5300. 14 - 15 - 19185 INTERCOUNTRY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer, (312) 444-1122 1708680

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Plaintiff, - v - GREGORY R. NEIL, 5455 EDGEWATER PLAZA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 16 CH 00713 5455 N. SHERIDAN ROAD, #1015 Chicago, IL 60640

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NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 5, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on January 9, 2017, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 5455 N. SHERIDAN ROAD, #1015, Chicago, IL 60640 Property Index No. 14-08-203-016-1100 Vol. 477. The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$211,208.20. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, 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 15-1724. 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.tjisc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. JOHNSON, BLUMBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC 230 W. Monroe Street, Suite #1125 Chicago,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Plaintiff, - v - NORMAN WEXLER, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR CITIBANK, N.A., CITY OF CHICAGO, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ATTORNEY REGISTRATION AND DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION Defendants 16 CH 06234 6140 N. WINTHROP AVE., UNIT D Chicago, IL 60680 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 26, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on January 5, 2017, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 6140 N. WINTHROP AVE., UNIT D, Chicago, IL 60680 Property Index No. 14-05-208-043-0000 Vol. 477. The real estate is improved with a townhouse. The judgment amount was \$156,311.17. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Plaintiff, - v - MARK CHMIELEWSKI, JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., TWO SOUTH LEAVITT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 16 CH 2201 4616 N. KENMORE AVE. Chicago, IL 60640 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 3, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on January 10, 2017, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 4616 N. KENMORE AVE., Chicago, IL 60640 Property Index No. 14-17-210-024-1013 Vol. No. 478; 14-17-210-024-1029 Vol. No. 478. The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$247,830.32. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not

Contaminated food cannot be detected by smell, color, or taste, so keep a food thermometer handy in the kitchen as it is the only way to make sure that all bacteria has been killed.

Remember that bacteria are always on the move and can grow on meat, eggs, salad, casseroles, and especially those store bought holiday deli trays. These foods should not be exposed to room temperature for any longer than two hours and if they are out for longer, then they should be tossed out.

So the next time you walk by a burger place, you may find that you’ve picked up your pace a little. At least for your own safety you have to be aware and consider all the possibilities because suddenly you just remembered that recent suburban dad quote: “You go out for a hamburger with the kids and you could just die.”

You can find some great information at STOPfoodborneillness.org. You can put your name on their email list and be contacted with alerts about food recalls and other topical information.

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Coat drive, local attorney help needy kids keep warm

Attorney Joseph Ziccardi is again spearheading a donation drive for Operation Warm to help supply new winter coats to children in need in Chicago.

His Loop-based law firm is hosting a donation drive from now through Dec. 15 and wants to provide brand new winter coats to children in need.

Operation Warm works year-round to create brand new, colorful winter coats made just for kids. Since 1998, Operation Warm has been manufacturing and distributing high-quality, new winter coats to more than two million children in need throughout the U.S. By actually manufacturing the coats it distributes, Operation Warm is able to efficiently control logistics, costs and inventory.

“Every child deserves to be warm, but today families are struggling with tough choices and limited resources,” said Ziccardi. “Necessity dictates that food and shelter take precedence over clothing, but children without coats are often absent from school in the winter, unable to play outside or partake in activities, and suffer from low self-esteem as a result. Our vision is that every child wearing a new winter coat is warm, feels valued and is empowered to get to school and get outside to play.”

Each coat costs about \$20 to manufacture. Those interesting in donating to this cause can call 1-800-730-9276, or visit www.operationwarm.org.

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In response to concerns voiced at the earlier community meeting, Kingsley also agreed to install a video screen inside the dispensary so patients can see when the next CTA buses are coming. In addition, Kingsley will provide personnel to walk patients to their cars or buses.

During that Sept. 29 meeting at the Pottawattomie Park Fieldhouse, not far from the proposed dispensary site, there was often noisy disagreement among the 70 or so neighbors who showed up.

Security cameras will monitor “every inch” of the clinic and its parking lot. And the license plates of all cars entering that parking lot will be photographed.

Some considered the security cameras an intrusion, while others not only wanted cameras around the dispensary, but the surrounding neighborhood as well.

After all, one resident wondered how



Ald. Joe Moore (49th) points out cannabis clinic locations on the North Side during a community meeting at Pottawattomie Park.

Kingsley could guarantee he wasn’t going to bring “a certain element” into the neighborhood.

“They’re already here. They’re not coming from outside” and they’re not [just] criminals, but sick people going to buy medication, a clinic supporter said.

Twenty-eight states, including Illinois, now allow the sale of marijuana for medical purposes. As of now, there are 47 licensed cannabis dispensaries in Illinois, with eight of them in Chicago, Ald. Moore said.

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gas fireplace is the best choice if you want to keep the most heat in the room,” Alleyne advised. “A ventless fireplace is 98% efficient, and can save up to 40% on your gas bill.”

Vent-free fireplaces are affordable heat source because the burner is small and it is less expensive than running the furnace full blast during chilly months, Firefixer noted.

“They are very popular in high-rise condominiums and rental apartments because no flue or chimney is necessary and these units are much more affordable,” said Alleyne.

If there is an issue with vent-free gas-log combustion odor, Firefixer recommends

burning the gas logs for one hour with a window open at the beginning of the season.

Chicagoans only worry now is that tax-happy Mayor Rahm Emanuel might institute a hearth tax, or chimney tax similar to the one imposed by English Parliament in 1662.

With Christmas on the way, a hearth tax may sound like Ebenezer Scrooge, but it could happen.

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