

Radio has been my life,  
music has been my life,  
and whenever I've had a rough time  
or a joyous time, it's the music I turn to.

— Lin Brehmer



Fifty winning couples got a free wedding ceremony along the Mag Mile.  
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## Mag Mile Assoc. honored for 'Marriages on The Mile' events

The International Downtown Assoc. [IDA] recognized The Magnificent Mile Assoc. [MMA] and The Wrigley Building with the Downtown Achievement Award of Excellence for its efforts tied to tying the knot, during its two years of "Marriages on The Mile - Weddings at Wrigley" [Marriages].

A jury of peer professionals reviewed, deliberated, and evaluated all entries in the 2022 Downtown Achievement Awards and named MMA. The award acknowledges an excellent response to an urban place management challenge, demonstrating application of industry knowledge and exceeds the jury criteria.

Marriages was among 23 qualified entries in the category which IDA identifies as one of the seven professional urban place management practice areas. The award recognizes unique organizational approaches and projects in the areas of branding, public relations, marketing strategies and communications plans.

"The thrilling conclusion to our summer-long campaign resonated across the nation as our call for entries inspired over 350 couples to apply for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to marry at one of the most iconic buildings on The Magnificent Mile, The

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## Police 18th District council candidates forum Jan. 31

Gold Coast Neighbors are hosting an 18th District Police District Council forum 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at the Moody Church, 1635 N. LaSalle, room 108.

Admission is free, but registration is required by Jan. 26. For more information email [info@goldcoastneighbors.org](mailto:info@goldcoastneighbors.org), call 773-510-7327 or visit [www.goldcoastneighbors.org](http://www.goldcoastneighbors.org).

Last year the Chicago City Council passed an ordinance creating a new model for police oversight, accountability, and public safety.

The ordinance creates two bodies: a citywide Community Com-

mission for Public Safety and Accountability, with the power to advance systemic reform, and District Councils, which will be elected in each police district and work to improve policing and public safety in the district.

The Commission and District Councils will bring police officers and Chicago residents together to plan, prioritize, and build mutual trust; strengthen the police accountability system; give Chicagoans a meaningful new role in oversight; and explore and advance alternative effective approaches to public safety.

## City Hall approves new LaSalle St. initiative

While the city of Chicago is making an effort to revitalize the LaSalle St. financial district by putting up \$5 million toward creating new housing along the famous money center, the downtown area continues to struggle to bring commercial interest back into the city center.

The weak demand for downtown office space hit its highest post-pandemic level in the 4th quarter of 2022, after a wave of exits stuck the area due in large part to the COVID pandemic with its concurrent government-imposed economic lockdown.

On Jan. 12, the City Council's Finance Committee approved a grant program to fuel the Central

Loop's retail turnaround hoping to transform what has traditionally been Chicago's financial corridor into a mixed-use district.

Those new taxpayer funds will be dedicated to luring new neighborhood eateries and "cultural" attractions to LaSalle buildings suffering with high vacancies, boasting a 36% vacancy rate, which is the worst in the Loop. The greater downtown area is wrestling with a record-high 21.4% office vacancy rate, reports Crain's Chicago.

The vacancy rate remains significantly higher than the 13.8% rate prior to the pandemic three years ago.

The city's LaSalle Street Rei-

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imagined [LSR] plan wants to fill almost 5 million square feet of vacant commercial space with

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## Treasurer Pappas sends more than \$47 million in automatic refunds to homeowners

More than 53,000 property owners who overpaid their First Installment taxes last year will automatically get back more than \$47 million in refunds starting this week.

"If you have a refund coming, we'll find you and return your money," Pappas said. "By putting refunds on automatic pilot, we're eliminating a lot of unnecessary paperwork and applications."

More than 58% of the refunds will be deposited directly into property owners' accounts over the next three months. See if you're due an automatic refund by visiting [cookcountytreasurer.com](http://cookcountytreasurer.com). Select the purple box labeled "Your Property Tax Over-

view" and enter your address or 14-digit Property Index Number (PIN).

Here's a breakdown of some refunds:

- 16,629 homeowners who paid their property taxes online will see a total of \$14.8 million electronically deposited to their bank or credit card accounts
- 22,241 homeowners who paid their taxes through a bank/mortgage escrow account will be mailed refund checks totaling \$14.8 million
- 14,137 homeowners who paid taxes totaling \$17.4 million in cash or by check will receive an electronic refund or will be mailed a refund application to en-

sure the proper party receives the refund.

Most of the refunds will go to homeowners receiving property tax exemptions, which are applied to the Second Installment tax bill and reduce the total taxes due. The exemptions include: Homeowner, Senior Citizen, Senior Freeze and Disabled Persons. Second Installment 2021 property tax bills were due on Dec. 30, 2022.

Pappas launched the automatic refund program in July 2018. Since then, more than 174,000 property owners have received about \$129 million in refunds without having to fill out an application.

## Pritzker Military Museum and Library to leave Loop, headed to Wisconsin

The Pritzker family is relocating their Pritzker Military Museum & Library north to a stunning new facility in Somers, WI.

The museum and library are now located downtown at 104 S. Michigan Ave.

The effort is part of a larger plan to create a campus on nearly 290 acres in Somers. Full completion of the campus will be done in three phases and may take 10 years to complete. This will include the Pritzker Military Archives Center for the museum, a Cold War Veterans Memorial, a shooting range and walking paths.

The downtown Chicago site was running out of room for its growing collection of over 100,000 military artifacts and decided to open a new site northwest of Kenosha. Legendary ar-



The Pritzker Archives and Memorial Park Center.

Courtesy of Pritzker Military Museum & Library

chitect Helmut Jahn was selected in 2018 to design a new museum storage facility.

(Sadly, Jahn never got to see

his vision come to life, as he died in May 2021, seven months af-

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# This election is a ripe banana peel sitting on the sidewalk



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

Careful, watch where you go. This can be a dangerous time of year in Chicago.

I don't mean just from the occasional patches of ice appearing on the ground overnight.

I don't mean the still possible eventualities of catching the feared pandemic bug, even after all the cautious convulsions of COVID restrictions.

No, we refer to the real frightening and extremely contagious danger that lurks this time of year from the fatal dose of "electionitis."

That fatally pessimistic Chicago mindset that convinces us, the voter, that the inner workings of government are beyond us and out of our control. Beyond our understanding. Outside our political range, reach and grasp.

Somehow we get depressingly turned away from any optimistic possibility for change. We suffer the syndrome that causes us to lose any political hope that we're capable of altering the direction of bad government.

The affects and effects of electionitis are well known to Chicagoans. We easily recognize all the telltale symptoms.

The blush of temperatures, for example, that come from the spread of heinous misinformation about candidates. Who's in the lead among the possibilities. Who's falling behind. Who's surging. Who's got the inside lead.

It causes mind-splitting headaches, and a brain-numbing paralysis of intelligent thought. Making us victims of the candidates' scams.

Electionitis also manifests in those beleaguered night sweats we

get from the overwhelming battering we take from political losers who attempt to disguise their lack of abilities and past failings in office.

Like when their track record brings financial calamity to Chicago. And they dress up their mis-steps and mistakes as caused by others and not themselves.

Electionitis can also be caused by feelings of loneliness and abandonment that come when valued leaders in commerce and industry leave Chicago for safer zip codes with more friendly tax bases.

It's contagious when shops shutter. Restaurants close. Doctors relocate. Investments seem to only appear in other peoples' neighborhoods. And you take your life in your hands driving your children to school. Ever on the lookout for carjackers and teenage thugs.

The worst evidence of electionitis is easily discovered in the stomach-sickening malaise centered in the wrenching aches of cold fear that seizes the voter watching the heartbreaking rise in Chicago's urban crime. Whether that's in a hold-up on the CTA Red Line or a passenger assault on the Green Line. The shooting death of a toddler, or the violent gang crime that spills out of neighborhoods held hostage by thugs and murderers. Only to be mostly forgotten, replaced by some new horror a mere 24-hours later. Day after day, week after week, month after month.

The worst spreaders of electionitis, and most rabid contagious Chicagoans are not just the army of public relation campaign staffs or campaign committees, but the empty-headed braggers of false election predictions. They're everywhere. Sowing the seeds of political doubt. Spreading the false theories of local political doom. Opinions ill-formed. Empty of actual wisdom or political intelligence.

No wonder electionitis is at an epidemic level in the weeks prior to our important election on Feb. 28.

If only we had a cure for such mind-bending stupidity.

If only there was some potion

we could take to rid ourselves of the symptoms and causes of our terminal electionitis. You know, something that would make us choke a bit every time we found ourselves passing on misinformation about the campaigning thus far. Something that might take our breath away every time we spoke falsehoods about something we heard or witnessed. Maybe something to make our tongues swell as we spoke as if we really knew what was going on in the race for Chicago mayor. Perhaps a brief moment when our face turns red when we contribute to the political confusion and social disintegration surrounding election 2023.

A home remedy, as it were, actually does exist. You can challenge people who try to fill your mind with falsehoods and far-fetched truths.

Ask people where they came up with such political data. Or how they arrived at such a concrete conclusion.

Challenge the information you have to listen to. Check the veracity of what people speak. Don't let people get away with unchecked political misinformation. Challenge their credibility, sources and standing.

If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Remember that even "Honest Abe" Lincoln's supporters stole his 1860 nomination for president at the Republicans' convention here in Chicago in the Wigwam Hall. They counterfeited false credentials for his supporters to get into the hall, locking out supporters for his rivals. Election rigging is real, it does exist.

Chicago Mayor Long John Wentworth was behind that little 1860 boondoggle. And it set Lincoln on his way to the White House.

But it didn't do much for squelching the roots of our present electionitis.

So what do we know for sure so far in the 2023 election? Well it's not good for Lori Lightfoot who is falling behind as time passes. She dwindles in popularity as crime and lawlessness thrive.

Her plans for Grand Prix-style

auto racing through Chicago's streets don't seem to be helping her. She's dropped to fourth place.

Chuy Garcia doesn't seem to have the race locked up as he once was supposed to have. His worry is the voting patterns of Hispanic voters. They don't vote as a unified block. Truth is they never have. And our lakefront liberals don't appear to be genuinely taken with him.

Willie Wilson is a hard candidate to read. He has big finances... but personal wealth is never as powerful as most people think. Americans have a long history of rejecting candidates who appear to be buying up the electorate.

Paul Vallas, on the other hand, appears to be finally reaping the benefits of a life of public service well-lived. He has a proven track record for repairing what government gets broken. He's both a thinker and a doer. He knows math and can read a profit and loss statement. And always worked well helping to repair and restore the essentials of urban life.

If the people you have to listen to aren't opening up such deeper looks inside candidates campaigns, then they know not of what they speak.

Do your own legwork, question everything and everyone, and dig into the data yourself. You are your own first line of defense.

Maybe we really do have a cure for Chicago's jiggle of electionitis. Common sense. Reason, values and intelligence. Truth and a nose for what stinks. But make no mistake, this election is a ripe banana peel sitting on the sidewalk.

**POTOMAC SHORE:** Word is that Gov. **JB Pritzker** has been out and about with the closest of friends and has never mentioned looking beyond Illinois Governor for work. He isn't searching for an election committee or any White House donors.

**BEGORRAH:** Congratulations to Chicago's 2023 St. Patrick's Day Parade Queen **Casey Doherty**.

**LASALLE ST:** Does Chicago have a better landmark than the Chicago Board of Trade? It was fashioned during the Age of Art Deco forming the city's financial square on the south end of LaSalle St.



Casey Doherty

**John Holibird** and **John Wellborn Root, Jr.**, architects with rarified Chicago pedigrees, designed a building for the ages that was completed in 1930.

However, recently the owners of the building ceded control to the building's lender. It is now controlled by New York-based Apollo Global Management. Sad news during an era when its fortunes, and that of LaSalle St. itself, has been slipping.



Lin Brehmer

The bankers and financiers have left the LaSalle St. arena.

**FARE YOU WELL:** Poetic best friend in the whole world, **Lin Brehmer**, died January 22. His soothing voice, vast musical knowledge and generosity of heart

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# Did Chicago just take first step toward congestion fees?

**Two new programs mean more tickets and fines on 400-miles of roadway, plans not subject to any state review**

At the Jan. 18 City Council meeting, a new ordinance was introduced to establish two automated traffic ticketing pilot programs downtown. It would establish two two-year programs within the boundaries of Lake Michigan west to Ashland Ave., and from North Ave. south to Roosevelt Rd.

Each effort will use new technology to discourage drivers from obstructing bike lanes, bus lanes, commercial loading zones, and crosswalks.

These two new ticketing pilot programs may be the first effort toward establishing a new congestion fee to drive downtown, and apparently will not be open

for any state reviews.

The ordinance calls for cameras to be fixed onto city poles, or on the front of city and/or CTA vehicles, and automatically mail out ticket violations.

Ald. Scott Waguespack reports that a Memorandum of Understand has been signed between Illinois Transportation [IDOT] Secretary Omer Osman and Chicago Dept. of Transportation [CDOT] Cmsr. Gia Biagi that establishes pre-approval of infrastructure design changes related to Chicago streets. This memorandum has reportedly been years in the making and will apply to about 400 miles of Chicago roadway.

By agreement, these traffic infrastructure design changes and ticketing schemes, submitted by CDOT, will not be subject to any comprehensive IDOT review prior to installation. That means, the city will be the first, last and only required authority, and that city

officials alone will be allowed to design and self-certify all coming changes.

Of greater concern, this effort may be a covert prelude to City Hall establishing a toll zone downtown, whereby all drivers

Backers hope that once enacted, the new ticketing laws may lessen the blocking of bike and bus lanes, crosswalks, and the misuse of commercial loading zones, by US Postal Service, Amazon, ComEd, People's Gas, UPS, and

bringing vehicles downtown, and parking illegally.

Once the automated data is collected and photos taken, violations will be reviewed (likely by a private contractor) and then sent to the Dept. of Finance to be processed and sent out. When the city begins camera enforcement of parking or standing violations in areas with posted signs, the ordinance proposes a 30-day warning period for first-time violators, and anyone ticketed within 30 days of the installation of a new camera.

This new ticketing scheme will then be followed by a second loading zone pilot ticketing program.

This would use license plate reading camera technology to facilitate more efficient payment of fines for parking violations within commercial loading zones.

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The city of London, England, for example has established a Congestion Charge of £15 daily to those who drive within their Congestion Charge Zone. All roads around the perimeter of the zone are monitored by cameras. Those who enter the zone, but don't pay the fees are then given additional fines that are 10 times the congestion fee.

FedEx trucks, food delivery and carshare services. It's unknown if the fees would also apply to city, county, state and federal vehicles.

The first pilot program would authorize City Hall to ticket registered vehicle owners by mail for various infractions, without any law-enforcement officials witnessing the violations.

The effort is designed to generate more ticket revenue for the city, and discourage drivers from

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## CTA to host public meetings for move into next phase of RPM

The CTA is now preparing to move forward with the next phase of the Red and Purple Modernization [RPM] program to rebuild the northern portion of the Red and the Purple Lines. The CTA will be hosting a series of virtual meetings about the project in the coming weeks to review and study their plans with the public.

The study will focus on three segments of the north Red Line and the Purple Line Evanston Branch: Addison to Sheridan, Thorndale to Howard and the Evanston Branch (Howard to Linden).

Phase One of the RPM program is currently underway in the areas north of the Belmont station, approximately between Lawrence and Bryn Mawr stations.

The RPM Next Phases Planning Study process hopes to set goals and objectives by engaging the public to identify potential project pitfalls, and evaluate alternatives and phasing. For information on upcoming meetings call 1-888-968-7282.

Chicago meetings will focus on Addison to Sheridan and Thorndale to Howard segments.



## The Home Front

by Don DeBate

Will the American Dream of homeownership ever be affordable again in Chicago?

"Many home buyers want to believe that 3% mortgage interest rates may come again. However, we don't expect to see that," said Nadia Evangelou, senior economist for the National Assoc. of Realtors [NAR].

On the other hand, some upbeat economists are beginning to forecast mortgage rates returning to the 4%-range as soon as the spring of 2024.

On Jan. 19, Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey reported that benchmark 30-year fixed home loans averaged 6.15% nationwide, down from 6.33% a week earlier. A year ago, the average 30-year mortgage rate was 3.56%.

The new Freddie Mac report shows mortgage rates have fallen almost a full percentage point since Oct. 27, 2022, when the 30-year home-loan average hit 7.08%.

"As inflation continues to moderate, mortgage rates declined again last week," said Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's chief economist. "Rates are at their lowest level since Sept. 2022, boosting both home-buyer demand and home-builder sentiment."

Borrowers who shop around may find better deals. For example, on Jan. 20, Mutual of Omaha was quoting 5.911% on 30-year fixed loans with a 20% down payment and a fee of \$850.

The Freddie Mac survey also reported that 15-year fixed-rate mortgages nationwide fell to an average of 5.28%, down from 5.52% a week earlier. A year ago, the average 15-year fixed mortgage rate was 2.79%.

"Declining rates are providing a much-needed boost to the housing market," Khater said, "but the supply of homes remains a persistent concern."

The survey is focused on conventional, conforming, fully amortizing home-purchase loans for borrowers who place a 20% down payment and have excellent credit.



Standard Communities a nationwide affordable housing investor, recently purchased the 145-unit 12-story high rise at 2757 N. Pine Grove. They plan to convert it to 100% affordable senior housing.

Here are other 2023 forecasts from the Federal Reserve Board and the Mortgage Bankers Association:

- "High inflation is easing, but we will have to keep interest rates elevated for some time to curb price growth," noted Fed vice chairman Lael Brainard.

- A recent forecast by the MBA predicted 30-year fixed mortgage rates will decrease to 5.6% in the second quarter of 2023, 5.5% in the third quarter, and 5.2% by year's end.

- The MBA's 2024 forecast sees 30-year rates slipping to 4.7% by the second quarter of next year, and an affordable 4.4% by the third and fourth quarters.

The MBA noted that today's mortgage rates are still near the lowest level in two decades.

### Mortgage-rate history

Thirty-year fixed-rate mortgage interest charges ended 2020 at a rock-bottom 2.65%—the lowest level in the Freddie Mac survey history, which began in 1971.

Loan rates set new record lows an amazing 16 times in 2020, and tens of thousands of homeowners refinanced.

Archives of the now-defunct Federal Housing Finance Board show long-term mortgage rates in the 1960s were not much higher than the Great Depression, when lenders were charging 5% on five-year balloon loans.

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

In the early 1980s, run-away inflation caused home-loan rates to skyrocket into the stratosphere. According to Freddie Mac,

benchmark 30-year mortgage rates peaked at a jaw-dropping 18.45% in October of 1981 during that Great Recession.

Rates finally fell below 10% in April 1986, and then bounced in the 9%-to-10% range during the balance of the 1980s. In Aug. 1999—when some of today's Millennial borrowers were still in diapers, lenders were quoting 8.15%.

### Vintage Lincoln Park building will be new senior building

A new 100% affordable senior housing complex is coming to Lincoln Park in an old building.

Standard Communities [SC], a nationwide affordable housing investor, purchased the 145-unit vintage 12-story high rise at 2757 N. Pine Grove, with plans to rehab it and convert it to 100% senior housing. The building was built in 1961. Renovations will include updated kitchens and bathrooms, new energy-efficient appliances, flooring and communal space. Amenities will include a walking park, pickleball court, fitness center, business room and enhanced community meeting rooms.

SC completed the acquisition in partnership with the Illinois Housing Development Authority and the US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development utilizing low-income housing tax credits and long-term Housing Assistance Payments contracts.

For more housing news, visit [www.dondebat.biz](http://www.dondebat.biz). Don DeBate is co-author of "Escaping Condo Jail," the ultimate survival guide for condominium living. Visit [www.escapingcondojail.com](http://www.escapingcondojail.com).

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The plan hopes to prevent double-parking of commercial vehicles, and create a more efficient system for collecting fines from commercial drivers. Perhaps something along the lines of an EZ-Pass, where fines could be collected instantly, electronically, from a device that would require equipment for commercial vehicles operating within the city's new posted camera-ticketing boundaries. In London, drivers can load a smartphone app that allows drivers to instantly pay their fees and charges.

The camera-based ticketing programs could start within months, and the pilot test period would conclude in June, 2025.

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## Workshop on how to lower utility bills

With ComEd about to raise electricity rates by a record amount, a workshop will be held in Rogers Park 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, January 26, on how to lower your utility bills.

ONE Northside, A Just Harvest, and Citizens Utility Board will host the workshop at 1609 W. Howard St., and will explain what you can do to lower your utility bill, show you how to read your utility bills and will

try to explain why they are so high. They will also talk about Solar for All and will check to see if you qualify.

To enroll in Solar for All, bring a current utility bill, proof of address, and proof of income (you must make below median income or receive state benefits like food stamps).

For more information call 773-769-3232.

## Meetings over Grant Park framework plan

The city is hosting three community meetings over what they're calling a "Grant Park Framework Plan," where city officials claim they're "reimagining" Chicago's signature lakefront park.

They have not said specifically what changes they're reimagining but citizens might find out more at one of the meetings, one which was held last night, Jan. 24, at the Chicago Cultural Center. The plan, also called Chicago's Front Yard Reimagined, will provide guidelines for changing Grant Park's role as a public space and destination.

The second meeting is 5 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2 at the Art Institute of Chi-

cago Ryan Learning Center, 159 E. Monroe St., and the final meeting 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8 at Columbia College, 1104 S. Wabash Ave.

Meeting guests will be asked to comment about recreation and events, landscaping, mobility, safety and logistics, and will likely be informed about potential lane reductions on Lake Shore Dr., and the addition of obstacles to vehicle traffic, and upcoming changes to - and installation of - automated ticket writing systems.

For more information call 312-742-7529 or visit [www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/featured-capital-projects](http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/featured-capital-projects).

## After another fatal shooting, Ald. Silverstein asks residents for videos "expressing our communal outrage"

BY CWBCHICAGO

A Chicago alderman is asking residents to send in videos and other messages "expressing our communal outrage" about violence in her North Side ward that she can share with Mayor Lori Lightfoot.

"We are increasingly feeling the sting of gun violence and it is unacceptable," Ald. Debra Silverstein [50th] wrote in an email to her constituents. Silverstein said she had requested an immediate meeting with Lightfoot and Chicago Police Supt. David Brown after a man was shot to death in West Ridge on Jan. 15.

Benjamin Lopez, 18, was riding in a car in the 2600 block of W. Fitch when someone opened fire on him from another vehicle, according to CPD.

"I am also asking for your help in communicating the urgency of crime in our neighborhood," said Silverstein.

"Please, think about how crime and violence have affected your life and send me a message," Silverstein wrote. "It can be a written email, a video message, or any other way you can think of expressing our communal outrage ... I will share them with the Mayor directly."

"We look to our Mayor and Police Superintendent to keep us safe, but I don't feel safe," the alderman continued. "We

have seen the city draining the local police districts in favor of protecting the downtown area, but I know thousands of local residents who want to be protected too."

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CPD's Rogers Park (24th) District is staffed by 230 officers this month, according to the Chicago Office of Inspector General. That's down from 304 officers when Lightfoot took office and down from 234 one year ago.

The two downtown police districts, Near North (18th) and Central (1st), have also lost officers under Lightfoot's administration, dropping 23% and 16% respectively, according to the OIG.

Silverstein said she hoped the residents' testimonials would convince Lightfoot to bring more police resources to the area.

Submissions can be sent to [Ward50@cityofchicago.org](mailto:Ward50@cityofchicago.org).



Dead & Company, Morgan Wallen and P!NK will be playing 'ball' in Wrigley this summer.

## Wrigley Field opening day, concerts

One of the biggest days in Wrigleyville every year is the Cubs Opening Day, which will be taking place this year on Thursday, March 30.

The Cubs will be playing the Milwaukee Brewers in a 1:20 p.m. game.

The next most important dates for the North Side are the dates of live music concerts at Wrigley Field. Right now there are three confirmed shows going on this summer:

Dead & Company is playing Friday, June

9, and Saturday, June 10. The home team will be wearing tie-dye.

Later, Morgan Wallen will be playing Thursday, June 22, and Friday, June 23. Thursday's show features Hardy, Ernest and Bailey Zimmerman, and Friday's show features special guests Parker McCollum, Ernest and Bailey Zimmerman.

And in mid-summer, P!NK is playing Saturday, Aug. 12. The show features special guests Pat Benatar and Neil Giraldo, GROUPLOVE and KidCutUp.

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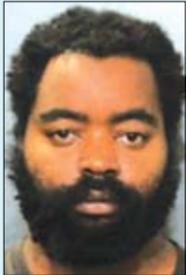
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# Police Beat...

**Chicago judge lectures attorney over church burglary crime of poverty: 'that's an affront to poor people'**



Hannibal Kerry

Chicago had committed a "crime of poverty."

"Oh, please," Judge Maryam Ahmad interjected, "don't tell the court that."

"OK," attorney Hannah Gray sheepishly replied during the Jan. 19 hearing.

"Because, you know what, Ms. Gray? As someone who grew up of little means, poverty is not an excuse to steal," Ahmad continued. "OK? That's an affront to poor people, economically challenged people, many of whom are probably sitting in this courtroom right now in various professional capacities and as members of this audience, who have been very poor in their lives and haven't stolen a thing. So, please, don't tell — I'm the worst person to say that to. Don't say that."

"OK," said Gray. "I apologize, your honor."

The exchange came near the end of a bail hearing for Hannibal Kerry, 27, who prosecutors said burglarized a Bucktown school and a Lincoln Park church in December, getting away with nearly \$10,000 in Christmas donations.

Before Ahmad's counseling session with Gray, prosecutor Sarah Dale-Schmidt said surveillance video showed Kerry breaking into Chicago International Charter School, 2235 N. Hamilton, around 2:30 a.m. Dec. 26.

He allegedly spent over an hour inside the school, where employees later discovered pry marks on a safe and the doorframe. But the safe was not compromised.

That evening, Kerry was again caught on video as he broke into St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 1010 W. Webster, Dale-Schmidt said. Church workers later found pry marks on a door and a donation box.

The church safe, which an employee said may have been left unlocked, was emptied of cash and checks that the church received during Christmas services, Dale-Schmidt said.

On Jan. 18, a parish employee saw Kerry outside the church and detained him until police arrived.

When police arrested him, he allegedly had a backpack that contained four credit cards in the names of different people and four deposit receipts for 25 checks dated Christmas and Christmas Eve that had been made out to St. Vincent de Paul. A church worker provided police with two checks endorsed by Kerry that the parish had received.

Before stepping into the weeds by referring to the allegations as a "crime of poverty," Gray said Kerry is homeless and has never been arrested before.

He is charged with two counts of burglary and misdemeanor trespassing. Ahmad ordered him to pay a \$1,000 bail deposit to get out on an ankle monitor.

Chicago police continue investigating other church and school

break-ins dating back to last fall.

**Lawyers file in case of dead youth on bike**

On Jan. 17, lawyers filed a lawsuit on behalf of the Shambrook family for the death of their three-year-old girl who died while they were biking on a residential street in the Uptown neighborhood.

Elizabeth Grace "Lily" Shambrook was killed in June, 2022 when she was bike riding with her dad and mom who were forced into the traffic lane by a ComEd truck that was blocking a bicycle lane near the intersection of Leland and Winthrop avenues. A Mondelez 18-wheeler was next to the ComEd truck at the intersection where construction work was going on at Winthrop.

Among the defendants are ComEd, Mondelez, Penske and the City of Chicago. The complaint filed in the Law Division of the Cook County Circuit Court alleges negligence on the part of the corporations and their drivers, as well as willful and wanton misconduct on the part of the city. ComEd was issued a city permit that specifically stated the company was allowed to stage vehicles and equipment on the adjoining street, Winthrop, yet the large utility truck was parked on Leland.

**Biker commits Strong Arm Robbery in Rogers Park**

Police are warning people about a bicyclist who committed a series of Strong Arm Robberies in Rogers Park, Bowmanville and West Ridge.

The robberies occurred during the late afternoon and early morning hours. In each instance, an individual approaches unsuspecting victims on the sidewalk and demands the victims' property while riding a bicycle. After victims relinquish their property, the subject rides away on his bicycle.

Incidents include on on the 6000 block of N. Talman St., 1:13 a.m. Dec. 30, 2022; on the 5900 block of W. Peterson Ave., 3:48 p.m. Jan. 6, and on the 2600 block of W. Argyle St. 8:20 p.m. Jan. 13.

The offender is described as a male Black approximately 20-30 years old.

**Carjackings reported in Lakeview and Rogers Park as hijackings surge in the new year**

After seeing a modest decline in carjackings last year from 2021's record highs, Chicago is starting the new year on the wrong foot. Through the first nine days of 2023, the most recent data available, Chicago police recorded 70 carjackings, up from 53 during the same days last year and 55 during the opening days of 2021, which ended as the worst single month for carjackings in the city since at least 2001.

At least three more armed hijackings have been reported since Jan. 16, including one in Lakeview and another in Rogers Park.

The Lincoln Park carjacking occurred around 9:55 p.m. in the 2900 block of N. Racine. Chicago police said a 23-year-old woman had just parked her black Jeep Grand Cherokee when two men walked up and took her car keys at gunpoint.

Both hijackers escaped in the woman's Jeep, which was followed by a red sedan. Investigators determined that the second car, a Toyota Avalon, was itself carjacked shortly before the Lakeview crime, according to a source.

Illinois State Police troopers found the two cars traveling together on the Eisenhower Expressway within minutes of the second carjacking. ISP chased the cars and eventually found both vehicles abandoned in the 4400 block of W. West End in Garfield Park. That's the same block where the Toyota was carjacked earlier, according to CPD records.

Then, around 2:11 a.m., a 49-year-old man was carjacked in Rogers Park.

He was inside his black Toyota Yaris when a group of hijackers confronted him with a gun and demanded his car in the 1700 block of W. Juneway Terrace, a CPD spokesperson said. Two carjackers got into the man's vehicle and drove away, picking up a third person down the street. The other two offenders took the victim's personal property from the car and ran away on foot, the spokesperson said.

An officer who looked at surveillance camera footage radioed detailed descriptions of the carjackers, which he said included three females: a Black male, 16 to 18 years old, wearing a black hoodie with lettering, yellow joggers, and black sandals with white socks; a Black female, 16 to 18 years old, wearing a teal jacket, gray hoodie, blue skinny jeans, and black shoes; a Black female, 5'-4" to 5'-5" tall, with long blonde hair in braids, wearing a black jacket, white leggings, and black boots with fur; a Black female, 16 to 18 years old, wearing an orange winter cap, red puffy jacket, and dark jeans, and a Black male, 16 to 18 years old, wearing a black hoodie, black face mask, ripped blue jeans, and red shoes



Jalonn Roberts

On Jan. 14, a group of five young people, including at least one female, carjacked a woman at knife-point in Uptown and then robbed two Loyola Univ. students within minutes in Rogers Park. Chicago police have not publicly linked the Jan. 17 carjacking with the earlier crimes.

However, last week we reported that the Uptown victim's car sped away from police after officers spotted it in the 1700 block of W. Juneway Terrace — the same block where the Jan. 17 crime occurred — on Jan. 14.

Whether the new year's hot carjacking pace will continue remains to be seen. Armed hijackings began to fade in the second half of 2022 as the "Kia Boys" phenomenon hit the city. CBS2 News recently reported that 10% of the Kias registered in Chicago had been stolen in 2022. The station found that 7% of Hyundais, another car model with faulty ignition systems that allow thieves to steal them with USB cables, had been stolen.

**Man's bright red tracksuit brings charges of stealing ATM during 2020 looting spree**

On Jan. 17 prosecutors charged a Chicago man with stealing an entire ATM as a group of looters raided a cellular store during widespread civil unrest in May 2020. A warrant was issued for the man's arrest in Aug. 2020, but authorities didn't catch up to him until Jan. 14.

And, officials said, Jalonn Roberts was only recognized by police as one of the ATM thieves because his girlfriend got shot moments after the heist and he talked to police while wearing the same distinctive outfit as one of the men who loaded the cash machine into a car.

About 20 people broke through the security gate and stole the inventory from ABC Choice cellular around 5:16 p.m. on May 31, 2020. Like many businesses, the store didn't open that day as looting ravaged the city.

The looters scattered as the police arrived. A short time later, another group of looters flooded the store. Prosecutors said Roberts, wearing a distinctive red tracksuit and a white baseball hat, was one of them.

A Chicago police surveillance camera allegedly recorded Roberts and another person hauling the ATM out of the store and loading it into the trunk of a waiting car. The duo then drove away with the cash machine.

About five minutes later, not far from the store, Roberts saw someone shoot his girlfriend, prosecutors said. Roberts allegedly wore the same unique clothing as the ATM thief

## Career burglar gets 10 years for North Side package thefts

John Cline, an eight-time convicted burglar, is now a 12-time convicted burglar after he pleaded guilty to committing a string of apartment building break-ins on the North Side.

Judge Michael Hood sentenced him to 10 years on each count, to be served concurrently. After receiving a 50% good behavior sentence reduction and credit for time spent in jail before pleading guilty, Cline, 49, is scheduled to be released in Jan. 2026.

Officials said that he was on parole for burglarizing a home in North Cen-

ter when he burglarized apartment buildings in the 2400 block of W. Catalpa in Lincoln Square and the 7300 block of N. Ridge in Rogers Park in the summer of 2021.

Detectives arrested Cline after surveillance video of one of the break-ins on Ridge, prosecutors said. The footage allegedly showed Cline and a female accomplice climbing through a window and sorting packages in the mail room before stealing selected parcels.

Cline stole so many packages during one burglary, prosecutors said, he had to make two trips to get them all out of the building.

The woman, Jamie Christman, received two years of probation.



John Cline

Chicago police released these images of three people who allegedly robbed a man at the Grand Red Line station on Jan. 12.



Chicago police are looking for three people who attacked and robbed a man at the Grand Red Line station last week.

## Robbery on the Red Line

Investigators released these images of the suspects on Thursday and said the trio robbed a victim at the station around 5:30 a.m. on January 12. A source said the group is known to frequent the train station and near-

by areas.

The victim suffered cuts to his face in the attack, which involved at least two male and one female offender.

Information about the suspects can be shared with CPD's Mass Transit detectives at 312-745-4443. The case number is JG-113070.

## Man shot outside Uptown gas station



Red crime scene tape blocks the entrance to BP at Foster and Clark Jan. 19, after a shooting occurred on the sidewalk following a physical altercation between two males.

Photo courtesy Reno Lovison

Chicago police are investigating after a man was shot near an Uptown bus stop on Jan. 19.

According to an eyewitness who spoke with Inside Publications contributor Reno Lovison, the 33-year-old victim was in the 5100 block of N. Broadway, just south of Foster, when another man walked up and shot him in the leg, according to a CPD media statement. Police did not provide a motive for the crime.

EMS took the victim to Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center in good condition.

Several people witnessed the incident, and at least one person video recorded the shooting, according to an officer at the scene.

One witness said the gunman ran from the scene and headed down an

alley behind a nearby gas station.

Eyewitness Fletcher Smith of Lakeview, says he works nearby and was buying cigarettes in the BP Station when the incident occurred. He said the victim wearing a green shirt was responsive and talking as he was loaded on to a gurney before being taken away by ambulance. Subsequent police reports indicated the wound was not life threatening.

Based on the video, an officer radioed that the gunman was a Hispanic man who took off a black hoodie after the shooting. He was last seen wearing a white t-shirt, blue jeans, and black shoes.

Thursday's shooting is the second of the year in Uptown.

when he spoke to investigators at the shooting scene.

Only later, after images of looting suspects were circulated in the police department, did officers connect the two incidents.

Roberts' defense attorney said he has seven children under the age of 12, and he provides for all of them. An active Baptist church member, Roberts has a job offer on the Ford mo-

tor plant assembly line, the lawyer said.

She also argued that "anyone could be wearing a red jumpsuit along with a white hat," not just Roberts.

Judge Barbara Dawkins ordered Roberts to pay \$500 to get out of jail on electronic monitoring. But

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# Man pleads guilty to 10 looting and burglary charges from Aug. 2020

BY CWBCHICAGO

Past week prosecutors charged a man with stealing an ATM from a cellular store during the May 2020 riots and looting that swept through Chicago after the murder of George Floyd.

Meanwhile, some people accused of committing looting-related crimes in a more timely fashion have reached plea deals.

For example, Lee Mitchell, 30, was accused of raiding seven stores in the Gold Coast and Clybourn corridor during a second round of looting that hit the city in Aug. 2020.

Mitchell, who was released on parole less than two weeks before the August 10 crime wave, was accused of looting from IWC Schaffhausen, a luxury watch store at 11 E. Walton, and two businesses next door.

Prosecutors said he also broke into a Verizon location, a Walgreens, and a luxury eyewear store.

Police said a unique tattoo on Mitchell's bicep allowed them to identify him from surveillance video of the crimes.

Mitchell pleaded guilty to five counts of burglary and five counts of looting by an individual in October. Judge Kenneth Wadas sentenced him to four years for each burglary and three years for each looting, according to court records.

But Wadas ordered the sentences to be served concurrently, resulting in an effective four-year sentence. State officials cut that in half for good behavior, and Mitchell received credit for time spent in custody while the case

## Man sentenced to six years for illegal possession of gun

A man has been sentenced to nearly six years in federal prison for illegally possessing a loaded semiautomatic handgun during a period of civil unrest in Chicago in 2020.

Ricky Green, 28, illegally possessed the gun on the night of May 31, 2020, in the Lakeview neighborhood. Green and other individuals attempted to break into a Target store in the 3300 block of N. Ashland Ave. during the riots. When Chicago Police officers arrived at the scene, Green and the others fled in vehicles.

After a brief chase on Lincoln Ave., the vehicle in which Green was riding became disabled. Green ran off on foot and placed a bag containing the gun behind a broom and dustpan in

a residential gangway. He then jumped a fence and tried to hide under the stairs of a residence in the 1300 block of W. Wellington Ave., but was apprehended by police officers, who then discovered the bag with the gun in it.

Green had previously been convicted in state court of multiple felonies, including a firearm offense, and was not legally allowed to possess the gun. He was on parole for his most recent felony conviction at the time of the federal offense.

A jury last year convicted Green on a federal charge of illegal firearm possession. U.S. District Judge Manish S. Shah on Thursday imposed a prison sentence of five years and nine months.

According to the U.S. Attorneys Office, Green brought the gun into the chaos accompanying the pervasive looting and vandalism in 2020. "Green's deliberate decision to use the cover of that crisis to engage in his armed offense is particularly reprehensible."



Ricky Green

was pending.

In the end, Mitchell was released from Stateville Correctional Center on Oct. 14, the same day he arrived.

On that same night of looting, Chicago police allegedly saw Demisck Lomax, 28, holding a brick next to a window at the Burberry store, 633 N. Michigan. They allegedly watched as he threw the brick into the store's window, and officers moved in.

When a sergeant approached Lomax, he allegedly threw a brick at the officer, striking him in the hand. Police chased Lomax down Ontario Street and arrested him. Prosecutors initially charged Lomax with aggravated battery of a police officer. They said they planned to charge Lomax with looting, but no looting charges were ever filed, accord-

**GUILTY** see p. 10

## Gun incident at Courtney School

On Dec. 14, a Chicago Public School [CPS] school security officer confronted a 14-year-old eighth grade student at an Uptown grade school, who the day before had told some fellow students of his plan to shoot teachers, according to a police report.

The specific threat that was issued by the student was that he would "shoot all the teachers [he] didn't like," according to a police report.

The shooting threat occurred at the Mary Courtney Language Arts Center, 4420 N. Beacon St.

According to the police report, after initially refusing to be searched, the student was brought to a guidance counselor's office where he relented, and "reached into his sweatshirt pocket and handed them an extended 30 round capacity magazine loaded with an unknown amount of live rounds," according to the police report. That's when the school called for the police to come to the school.

Parents of students were later told by administrators that he did not make it into the school but was confronted by security guards on his way in.

Two days later, CPS CEO Pedro Martinez posted a policy memo on the CPS website (in the wake of two teenagers being shot in front of the Benito Juarez High School on the West Side), while

not mentioning the gun incident in Uptown.

Responding officers placed the student in custody and upon a search of his backpack found a brown P80 frame Polymer80 ghost 9-mm semi-automatic firearm with a 4.5 barrel length, unknown serial number, "containing an unknown amount of live rounds in the magazine along

with a live round inside the chamber." The police took possession of the gun.

The Martinez memo lists eight safety measures employed by the schools. Among them were school-specific safety protocol plans (standard operating procedures); school-specific emergency response plans; professionally trained security staff.

## Letters to the Editor

### No parking

I happened to drive by the two parking lots on Leland Ave. in Lincoln Square between Western and Lincoln at noontime on Saturday, Jan. 21. I don't think anything special was happening on that cold Saturday afternoon in January, but both lots were full.

Now after the city gives away one of the lots to developers to build housing, where are those

visitors to Lincoln Square going to park? They probably will not bicycle there nor take the CTA, but they may go to some other area to spend their money and time where they may be able to park.

Mario Caruso  
Lincoln Square

### Learn to hunt

Many will be quick to find fault with Willie Wilson's remark that the police should be able to hunt down a suspect like a rabbit.

As an owner of many canines through the years, I can say for truth that every dog needs a job. Terriers, for example, do a fantastic job of hunting rats, mice, and rabbits; it's in their blood.

Almost every dog can be trained to find, dig out, and hold tight some varmint. They don't have to follow this impulse to tear someone to pieces, as they would a rodent, because they learn how we want them to hunt. They do it for the joy of the hunt, praise, and playtime afterward with their person.

Just so, police learn to hunt and defeat the threat.

I speak for all cops, rookies and veterans alike, when I cheer Mr. Wilson's words.

He didn't say anyone should torture or beat potential law-

breakers. Heck, he didn't even suggest we ticket them! Suspects seldom give themselves up or offer information on who the actual perpetrators were, but like a bunny, they often go to ground and hide.

Then, often encouraged by grieving families and other victims, law enforcement officers hunt them. As a retired cop, I will say that this prey drive can and does light up in humans, ideally righteously so.

And as long as criminals try to get away with their ill-gotten gains and the crimes themselves, police have to hunt them and bring them to justice.

Maja Ramirez  
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will be missed in this city that he made his own. Condolences to his wife and son, **Sara and Wilson**, and the WXRT family.

And special thanks to **Terri Hemmert** and the rest of the DJs for helping us all remember Lin's brilliance during Monday's on-air tribute. May the music, and the memories, never stop.

**100 YEARS:** The Lakeview Kiwanis Club will be celebrating their 100th anniversary on March 4, with a dinner party at La Villa, 3638 N. Pulaski Rd., and former Senate President **John Cullerton** as the guest speaker.

**SERVICE CLUB:** Gibson's Steakhouse was the venue for the 2023 New Year New Me Luncheon, Sunday, Jan. 22, featuring **Alpana Singh**. She was a huge hit. It was inspiring and exciting.

**ART:** The opening reception for **Deborah Simon's** show Embroidered Morphologies is 6 p.m. Jan. 27, at the International Museum of Surgical Sciences, 1524 N. Lake Shore Dr. She studied sculpture at the Repin Institute of Art in Leningrad, USSR, and also studied at the San Francisco Art Institute and School of Visual Arts in New York. Her medium is a series of flayed animals with different organ systems embroidered on them. You gotta see it to believe it.

**CHANNEL 11:** "WTTW's Chicago Tonight has moved to new time, 10 p.m., and new format. They will report stories you won't see anywhere else, stories that directly impact lives and move the dialogue forward on local issues of consequence and concern," says WTTW News director **Jay Smith**. With Chicago Tonight co-anchors **Paris Schutz** and **Brandis Friedman** and reporter **Nick Blumberg**.

**SAFE MAPLE:** It has been announced that the Maple and Ash lawsuit has been settled. They've been fighting for control of their popular Gold Coast eatery for 10 months. Plans are afoot to divide their nationwide investments.

**DUCK DUCK:** Laschet's Inn at 2119 W. Irving Park Rd., operated by **Erin Batchelder** and **Scott Seisser**, has kicked things up a notch. I'm a frequent flyer at the fine German Inn. Love the

panoply that goes hand in hand with the duck dinner. Always considered it well-crafted and prepared with high skill. But I wasn't prepared for the serious food upgrade the duck has recently undergone. I could taste its refined composition right away. I know I even tasted the superb hints of a good whiskey among the mix. Ownership is in the hands of true foodies. My hat is off to Erin and Scott.

**CUBS NEWS:** **Shawon Dunston** and **Mark Grace**, two of Chicago baseball's most favorite players, have been named to the Chicago Cubs hall of Fame. And plans are underway to erect a statue honoring **Ryne Sandberg** outside the confines.

**MAN OF HONOR:** Thrilled to hear WFMT announce that it was the 97th birthday of **Newton Minow**, a most honored and valued Chicagoan. As Chair of the Federal Communications Commission, he was a bright, young, energetic Chicago attorney who brought dignity and savvy intelligence to the JFK administration and his own life of public service. He added an eternal phrase to our American lingo when he referenced television as "a vast wasteland," indicating he knew it had vast regions to explore. Congratulations Newt.

**CLOSING:** Roost is closing their Andersonville Vintage Shop after 14 years on Clark St. The last three years have been a "real struggle" for the anchor business at the north end of Andersonville's commercial district. It will be missed. It's not easy to be a small business in Chicago.

**CONDOLENCES:** Sympathies to **Eoin Lawlor**, former assistant Irish Consul General in Chicago, on the recent death in Ireland of his remarkable father, **Declan Lawlor**.

**SALOON NEWS:** Cunneen's has been located at 1424 W. Devon Ave. for 50 years. Inside is a good ole pool game, everything needed for your favorite cocktail and a comfortable space to unload. Outside, the front door is boarded up. Someone broke into Cunneen's Bar in Rogers Park for the second time in a month. Hope nothing happened to their iconic Boss Daley clock?

**IRISH EYES:** Judge **James F. Henry, "Hank,"** among his legions of pals, was elected to the bench of the Cook County Circuit Court in 1988 and retired in 2007. Over the course of his judicial career, he held assignments in the Chancery Division, Law Division and County Division. Prior to the bench, Henry was a partner at Gould & Ratner, specializing in real estate, tax, zoning and environmental matters. His legal career began in the State's Attorney Office. A longtime board member of the Irish Fellowship Club,

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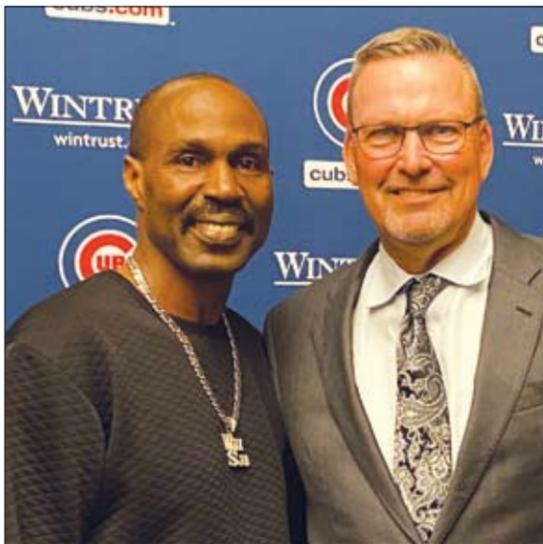
Paris Schutz and Brandis Friedman.



John Rogers



Deborah Simon's art.



Shawon Dunston and Mark Grace.



Newton Minow



Lucien Lagrange



Ken Norgan with Chuck and Candace Jordan.



Dave Dru Sullivan and Erin Sullivan.



Todd Hatoff, Jennifer Sutton Brievea and Frank N. Jeffrey.

he was a tried and true fan of the White Sox and the Blackhawks. He died on Jan. 13, he was man of honor.

**BACK TO THE PAST:** RPM Steak, the glitzy downtown steakhouse, will host a nostalgic two-day collaborative tribute to shuttered Chicago steakhouse icon Lawry's The Prime Rib Feb. 7 and 8. Tickets (\$185 each) are still available. Lawry's closed at the end of 2020 after nearly half a century.

**WHO'S WHERE:** **Ken Norgan** celebrating 80 years on the breezy beach shore... **Mark Oley** at Sidetracks with **Joshua Blake Carter** with Friends of Giordano Dance... **Sherry Lea Fox** and **Julie Barrish** sipping at El Nuevo Mexicano... **Dave Dru Sullivan** walking daughter, **Erin Sullivan**, up the aisle of St. Paul of the Cross Church, bravo **Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harvey**... Sweetheart **Peggy Snorf** has been hacked, true misery, don't respond to any message... Former Chicago reporter, **Lilia Chacon**, seeing Chicago friends in Santa Fe, NM, as **Roderick Drew** with **Kent Anderson** came to see, eat and meet... **Bobbi Panter** and **Matt Arnoux** took **Little B** to the eye specialist at Med Vet Chicago having emergency procedures on both eyes. All is now well... **Frank LaMarca** wishing his **Zia Maria Romano Marino** the happiest of birthdays, love you... Famed architect **Lucien Lagrange** working on his first hotel, Hyatt Regency Schaum-

burg... **Shelley Howard** with **Mary Constable** and **Dr. Glenn** share an Old Town dinner... **Jane Justic** with daughter **Jill Justic Cress** and granddaughter **Beatrix Cress** in Naples, FL... Welcome **Constantine Dasakis** to the Ralph Lauren Bar & Grill family as he becomes part of a great Chicago enterprise... Ariel Investment's **John Rogers** receiving a "Beloved Community Award" on MLK Day in Atlanta, with **Desiree Glapion Rogers** nearby.

**THEATER NEWS:** **Cynthia Olson** reports the sad passing of another theatrical friend, the wonderful **Carol Cook**, a stunning star of the Broadway stage. What a talent and a force of life she was. Her husband, **Tom Troup**, in Chicago in two plays years ago.

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## Discussion of race riots part of free Goodman Theatre presentation

The Goodman Theatre is hosting a special event during a free presentation 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5 of the Tony Award-winning play "The Ripple, The Wave That Carried Me Home" that includes a free panel discussion "Art In Action: Contested Waters."

Lead by Peter Cole and Franklin Cosey-Gay from the Chicago Race Riots Commemoration Project, the two plan to examine the Red Summer, the history of segregation in Chicago, and how the riots that year still impact

Chicago today. The event takes place at the Goodman in the Alice Center, 170 N Dearborn St.; tickets are free with reservation at GoodmanTheatre.org/Waters.

The play follows the subversive story of racial justice, political legacy and family forgiveness and features a cast of four: Brianna Buckley, Christiana Clark, Ronald L. Conner and Aneisa J. Hicks.

The show won the prestigious 2022 Horton Foote Prize, awarded to "an original work of excep-

tional quality." For more information call 312-443-3800.

The play looks at 1960s Kansas, and the parents of one character who are prominent activists fighting for the integration of public swimming pools. After the character starts a new life far away, she is asked to return to her hometown to speak at a ceremony honoring her father. She must decide whether she's ready to reckon with her political inheritance—and a past she's tried to forget.

## More vape regulations may result in more vape use by youth

Chicago's new and emerging small businesses that get 20% of their income from the sale of vaping equipment and supplies are in for more red tape. They now must obtain a new special city license.

The ordinance was passed Jan. 18 by a voice vote and also restricts how closely such shops can operate from each other.

The legislation, which for now exempts existing vape shops, comes as the city has moved to crack down on electronic cigarettes, while at the same time promoting the smoking of dope through the many new recreational marijuana dispensaries they're approving.

In vaping, a battery powered device called an e-cigarette heats a liquid into a vapor that can be inhaled. The vapor may contain nicotine, flavoring, and can also be used with marijuana, hash oil,

or other substances.

Those who support City Hall's harassment of vape retailers claim the products have spurred a public health crisis among teenagers who have adopted the practice of smoking flavored nicotine and marijuana with a variety of vaping tools.

But of course the truth is that vape shops and vaping equipment have broadly helped many adults to quit smoking traditional cigarettes. Many parents understand there is a reverse corollary, in that the more difficult one may make attaining adults-only products usually only encourages greater interest - and use - among youth. The cities earlier efforts to constrain usage have broadly failed in keeping vaping equipment out of teen hands.

A 2022 Center for Disease Control study that asked about teen use of e-cigarettes and

other vaping devices in the previous 30 days, shows that about 14% of high school students

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say they vaped recently, about 3% of middle schoolers said they had also done so.

What few doubt is that the new legislation would further hurt small businesses without preventing youth from accessing vaping equipment.



## Undie Run Feb. 25 in Wrigleyville

If you have some clean underwear, you may consider showing them off in Wrigleyville on Feb. 25.

That's when you can join hundreds of other people who will brave the cold in just their undies during Cupid's Undie Run, the nation's largest pantless party and run for charity.

The fundraising event raises awareness of, and funding for, neurofibromatosis [NF], a genetic disorder that causes tumors

to grow on nerves throughout the body.

Those funds raised will go toward NF research through the Children's Tumor Foundation.

The race steps off at noon at Sluggers, 3540 N. Clark St., and that is also where it ends at 4 p.m. ... which is when the dancing will start. To register for the run, visit [www.my.cupids.org/event/2023-cupids-undie-run-chicago/](http://www.my.cupids.org/event/2023-cupids-undie-run-chicago/) e390900, or call 800-323-7938.

## Drink up! Lecture on liquor Jan. 28

The Edgewater Historical Society is hosting an event on liquor in Chicago 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Edgewater Library, 6000 N. Broadway in the Betty A. Barclay Community Room.

Titled "Distilled in Chicago," liquor has influenced Chicago for nearly two centuries, beginning with the city's first three permanent businesses.

David Witter, author of Distilled In Chicago: A History will share stories of the temperance movement and how cocktails fueled the sin in the Levee District, spawning Chicago's first gangsters.

Prohibition changed Chicago's

identity, and afterwards alcohol created vast fortunes for Chicago based families and corporations. The new millennium saw KOVAL, Chicago's first legitimate, wholesale and retail distillery in nearly 150 years, spawn a new industry of small and craft distilleries throughout Chicagoland.

Witter is a Chicago based author who has written four books based on the history of the city.

For more information call 773-506-4849.

## Whim now open on Belmont

Whim, a unique new visual and artistic experiences in Lakeview is now open. Whim is an immersive, walk-through theatrical experience that is spread across the entire space at Stage 773, 1225 W. Belmont Ave.

Whim invites guests to partake in a whimsical night out inside a world where every art form comes together - paintings, music, sculpture, street art, and live performance.

And while now open, they are still building out the space with 20 additional installation exhibit rooms coming online throughout the spring and summer.

Whim embarks audiences across a path of dreamlike theatricals that immerse the individual into an eclectic range of perspectives. The goal of the overall experience is an artistic meditation on time - how we use it, how we waste it, and how it is our most precious gift.

The experience begins right when guests walk in. Visitors are greeted by the stunning visuals of the Lobby of Second Chances, featuring an artistic explosion of creations (both big and small) fashioned out of found objects - giving these items a second chance as a one-of-a-kind piece of art.

The room offers a unique space to lift a glass, celebrate the day,

and connect with others, as Second Chances also houses the Second Shots Bar, an extension of the lobby, featuring more found art installations.

From there, visitors may enjoy the Enchanted Forest, featuring distinct areas inspired by future Whim spaces, a stage for live performances, and a giant enchanted tree towering over it all.

But don't stop there too long, until the end of your tour. A door at the back of the bar leads guests to a series of rooms that will make you think, and ponder life's big questions, or may just spook you.

"There have been many changes in the entertainment and hospitality industries over the past years, and as we enter into a new era, [our] mission is to put artists back to work and audiences back to play," said Jill Valentine, Whim Executive Director. "Whim will be an exploration of creativity and inspiration where the line between artist, performer, and audience is blurred. The inner workings of the creative brain are explored and translated into reality for guests to play and enjoy."

Show times are every half hour, starting at 7 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. For more information, visit [whimchicago.com](http://whimchicago.com).

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## Under-incarceration in America topic of Feb. 7 presentation

The Federalist Society is hosting an in-person public presentation titled "Under-Incarceration" featuring Josh Hammer and Prerak Shah, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, at Quartino, 626 N. State St.

The two presenters suggest that Chicago and the entire nation are experiencing record levels of violent crime and ask, "How did this happen? What to do?"

Hammer is the opinion editor of Newsweek, a research fellow with the Edmund Burke Foundation, counsel and policy advisor for the Internet Accountability Project, and a constitutional attorney by training. He speaks on conservative intellectual trends,

contemporary domestic and foreign policy debates, constitutional and legal issues, and the intersection of law, politics and culture.

Guests are invited to join in the discussion of how this increase might have happened and what we should do to combat it, including analyses on so-called "mass incarceration," bail reform, plea deals, and the First Step Act.

Tickets cost \$25 to \$35, and for students, only \$10. Drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

For reservations visit <https://fedsoc.org/events/under-incarceration-with-josh-hammer-prerak-shah>.

## Learn how to lessen your chances of being a crime victim

The threat of crime is a growing concern in Chicago, and now Edgewater Village Chicago is hosting a seminar intended to show people how to lessen their chances of becoming a victim of crime.

"How to Lessen Your Chances of Being a Crime Victim" will be held 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, at the Edgewater Public Library, 6000 N. Broad-

way, in the second floor, Betty A. Barclay Community Room.

The Chicago Police Dept. will offer tips on how to lower your chances of being a victim of a crime, including carjackings. Presented by 20th District CAPS and the Community Justice Center.

The event is free and no registration is necessary.

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he won't be able to do that right away. He must also pay 10% of a \$200,000 arrest warrant that was out for him on a DeKalb County robbery case. Dawkins said he also has a pending stolen motor vehicle case in the suburbs.

### Video shows man being kicked, beaten, slammed into metal beam

The viral video is shocking. A man is attacked in the middle of a busy downtown Chicago street during daylight hours. He's knocked to the ground and dragged to the curb. Then, a man picks him up and slams him head-first into a metal pillar supporting the 'L' train tracks.

It happened at 10:19 a.m. Jan. 14 on the corner of State and Van Buren.

Different scenarios have accompanied the video. Some said the man was a "Kia boy" who got caught trying to steal a car. Others said he tried to carjack people, but they fought back. Across the internet, thousands of viewers applauded the video as street justice that a car thief deserves.

But the online story may not be accurate. This reporter has learned that the man who got beaten up talked to police and filed a report. His version of events is much different from the internet story. And, in an interesting twist, the men who attacked him —

the ones he supposedly tried to take a car away from — didn't leave the scene in a vehicle. They walked away, according to a CPD officer who saw the footage from a city surveillance camera.

Witnesses called 911 to report the incident as it happened, and police arrived pretty quickly. They met up with the 24-year-old man whose head had been slammed into the 'L' track beam.

He told them he was walking through the Loop when a man came up to him from behind and struck him with a "hard object," according to a Chicago police spokesperson. In the video, the object appears to be a sign on a weighted pole.

His backpack fell into the street, and one of the men dragged him by his leg onto the sidewalk. After kicking and punching the man in his face and head, one of the men picked up the man and drove his head into the 'L' track column.

According to a CPD spokesperson, a third person stole the man's backpack from the street, and the entire group fled the scene just before police arrived. A police camera operator said they headed west on Van Buren and were last seen crossing Clark St.

Chicago police had no record of any reported auto thefts or carjacking attempts in the area.

### Superman tattoo leads to arrest

A unique Superman tattoo, extensive video footage, and tenacious work by Chicago police detectives have resulted in criminal charges being filed against a man who allegedly attacked and sexually abused a woman as she walked home in the Loop nearly two years ago.

On Jan. 21, Leslie Borden, 31, was held in lieu of \$300,000 bail by Judge Maryam Ahmad. He must post 10% of the bail amount to be released on electronic monitoring.

The woman was walking to her apartment from a friend's nearby home around 1 a.m. May 21, 2021, when surveillance cameras captured footage of a man following about 100 feet behind her, according to prosecutor Erika Barnes.

As she prepared to enter her building in the 600 block of S. Plymouth, Borden punched her in the back of the head, grabbed her arm, and dragged her to a secluded area in a nearby alley, where the assault took place.

Chicago police spotted a unique tattoo on the attacker, and police finally caught up with him a couple of days ago.

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ing to court records.

Last May, while Lomax was on bond for the case, prosecutors charged him with manufacture-delivery of fentanyl, CPD records show.

Lomax pleaded guilty to the aggravated battery charge in November and received a four-year sentence from Judge Earl Hoffenberg. He also pleaded guilty in the narcotics case, receiving a two-year consecutive sentence.

His prison term will be cut in half for good behavior, and his release date is scheduled for Nov. 7, 2025.

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HURON STREET, UNIT 2010, CHICAGO, IL 60611 Property Index No. 17-10-104-037-1120 (17-10-104-030 and 17-10-104-033 UNDERLYING PINS). The real estate is improved with a condominium. The judgment amount was \$161,811.90. 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 the 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/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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN</p>	<p>POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. 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Franklin Street, Suite 201 CHICAGO, IL 60606 312-357-1125 E-Mail: <a href="mailto:pleadings@nevellaw.com">pleadings@nevellaw.com</a> Attorney File No. 22-00421 Attorney Code. 18837 Case Number: 22 CH 1649 TJSC#: 42-4509 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. <b>Case # 22 CH 1649</b></p> <p>IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE OF THE FW SERIES I TRUST; Plaintiff, vs. MOHSEN JALILVAND; ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; ANDREW ESTIGOVY; ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF LABOR; GOLD COAST GALLERIA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; FARNAZ JALILVAND; RICHARD HUNGATE, AS SOLE MEMBER OF HUNGATE REAL ESTATE VENTURES, LLC; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants, 21 CH 3697 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 Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate: P.I.N. 17-04-422-039-1205. Commonly known as 111 West Maple Street Unit 1712, Chicago, IL 60610. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a condominium residence. The purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivisions (g)(1) and (g)(4) of Section 9 of the Condominium Property Act Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call The Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Diaz Anselmo &amp; Associates, P.A., 1771 West Diehl Road, Naperville, Illinois 60563. (630) 453-6925, 1491-182957 INTERCOUNTRY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION <a href="http://intercountryjudicialsales.com">intercountryjudicialsales.com</a> <b>13211666</b></p> <p>252525 -----</p> <p>IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE OF CITIGROUP MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2019-4 Plaintiff, -v- MIKE TEOFILOVICH AKA MILAN TEOFILOVICH AKA MICHAEL TEOFILOVICH, DNA FINANCE CORPORATION, GOLD COAST GALLERIA GARAGE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, GOLD COAST GALLERIA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 19 CH 10674 111 WEST MAPLE STREET UNIT 1401</p>	<p>property will NOT be open for inspection For information call Ms. Mary E. Spitz at Plaintiff's Attorney, Sottile &amp; Barile, LLC, 7530 Lucerne Drive, Middleburg Heights, OH 44130. (440) 572-1512. ILF2106017 INTERCOUNTRY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION <a href="http://intercountryjudicialsales.com">intercountryjudicialsales.com</a> <b>13211662</b></p> <p>IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY; Plaintiff, vs. RODOLFO M. CARAOS; 2000 NORTH LINCOLN PARK WEST PRIVATE RESIDENCES CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants, 22 CH 4777 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 Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate: P.I.N. 14-33-209-010-1146 (new) 14-33-209-001-0000 (old); 14-33-209-002-0000 (old). Commonly known as 2000 N. 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# Army Corps of Engineers seeks feedback for shoreline study

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers [Corps] will be preparing a National Environmental Policy Act [NEPA] document on the impacts associated with a Coastal Storm Risk Management study in Chicago. The city and the Chicago Park District partnered with the Corps to study ongoing shoreline erosion and coastal storm due to variable lake levels and storm-driven waves that impact our shoreline.

The proposed study area includes Chicago's entire shoreline. As a part of the study, the Corps will explore various measures that could be implemented along our shoreline to reduce coastal storm risks. These measures include breakwaters, seawalls, revetments, and groins; natural and nature-based features (e.g., beach nourishment, submerged reefs, vegetation, ecologically enhanced structures), and non-structural flood-proofing like flood warning plans and emergency evacuation plans.

As part of the NEPA process, the Corps is seeking citizen comments and concerns about potential impacts from the various measures that could be implemented. This could include impacts to various habitats, threatened and endangered species, or cultural, historical, and social resources. Those

who would like to offer advice and suggestions can write to the Corps Samantha Belcick at ChicagoShoreline@usace.army.mil. Comments and questions will be accepted through the end of February.

What we all learned during the high water marks achieved a few years ago, is that one of the least protected, and most vulnerable areas in town is the Rogers Park lakefront. In Rogers Park, private properties are located directly adjacent to the lake, which means they feel the impact of high lake levels and wave action on a much more intimate basis than other parts of the city that have public land barriers and other infrastructure (such as sea walls) to absorb or deflect wave impact.

One recent concern after the flooding that occurred in 2019, is to restore beach access to Juneway, Rogers, and Howard beaches and repurpose emergency revetments as breakwaters.

As Lake Michigan reached historically high levels in 2019, the city secured emergency funding from FEMA to install armor rock revetments at Juneway, Howard, and Rogers beaches. Those revetments were critical in curtailing further erosion of public property and keeping park prop-

erty safe.

But the installation of revetments restricted access to what had previously been beaches. Rogers Park has a unique history of being a neighborhood with easy access to the lakefront. Some residents are now seeking to restore beach access and repurposing the armor rocks to act as breakwaters.

The rise and fall of lake levels are a natural cycle, and while it's now receding it's time to explore sustainable options to combat erosion, such as planting marram grass

or other native deep-rooted plants that have a track record of withstanding wave impact and mitigating the impacts of erosion.

A group of local volunteers now acts as stewards to the Loyola Park Sand Dunes. The natural vegetation abutting the lake proved resilient at the peak of Lake Michigan's lake levels, with less damage at Loyola Park than at other parks to its north. In addition to providing a natural barrier to wave action, the plants help the ecosystem along Lake Michigan, allowing natural wildlife and insects to thrive.



The Somers Village Board unanimously approved plans for the campus in Nov. 2019.

Courtesy of Pritzker Military Museum & Library

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new businesses and convert office buildings into more than 1,000 new residential units, a third of which will be aimed to make affordable by offering incentives to developers in exchange for commitments to low- and middle-income housing.

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The funds will come from taxpayers paying into the LaSalle-Central Tax Increment Financing district, which has about \$372 million in annual tax collections which should be used for projects within both the retail and office conversion undertaken within the district.

Those retailers who head downtown from low- or moderate-income neighborhoods are also eligible for an additional \$50,000 incentive. But chain stores, franchises, liquor stores, bars and banquet halls will not be eligible for the grant program.

Commercial entities today seeking new office space downtown have a strong negotiating advantage over landlords, who have taken to offering incentives like free rent, more cash for building out space and other perks attempting to draw in potential new tenants.

In response to the city's financial incentives, proposals to convert LaSalle office buildings have received proposals for more than \$1 billion-worth of new work that would make apartments out of buildings such as AmTrust's 135 S. LaSalle, Mike Reschke and Quintin Primo's 111 W. Mon-

roe St., according to Crain's.

Crain's says that a record amount of excess commercial space hit the sublease market in 2022 as well. There was 6.8 million square feet of downtown office space available for sublease, an increase of more than 900,000 square feet from the year prior. Class A office buildings had more than 2 million square feet of positive net absorption in 2022, while Class B buildings lost more than 620,000 square feet of tenants.

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"There are two sides of the market. The Class A landlords who continually invest in their assets are typically performing the best," but "there are other landlords who rightfully have some concerns going into 2023," CBRE First Vice President Jason Houze told Crain's. "Some may not be capitalized to make those investments or have other headwinds challenging them. Their concerns are valid in some cases."

Signs of recovery have emerged with net absorption — a measure of how much space office tenants lease versus shed — rebounded last year from a miserable 2021. With about 294,000 square feet of positive net absorption, last quarter was the fifth straight of positive increases. It is the biggest space-shedding year CBRE has ever recorded.

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ter ground broke on his final design. The building will likely be open to the public sometime in 2024.)

Jennifer N. Pritzker is behind the push to move the collection north. She said as a Cold War veteran herself, she doesn't think individuals who served in the military from 1945 to 1991 without seeing combat have gotten the recognition they should have. Pritzker was an officer in the U.S. Army and retired as a lieutenant colonel from the Illinois Army National Guard.

According to a story in the Kenosha News, the new facility will be about 22,000 square feet between two floors. It will include an indoor sports shooting range, training and retail facility, with offerings for skill levels ranging from beginners to professionals.

According to Wisconsin Public Radio, museum board member retired Capt. Jay Williams said by learning more about the major events during the Cold War including the Bay of Pigs, Berlin Wall, arms and

space races between Russia and the U.S., people will have a better understanding of today's geopolitics.

"You had nuclear-armed countries confronting each other and yet nuclear war did not break out," Williams said. "We thought after that, democracy wins. And here we are now, where the main threats to the U.S. now are a competition of Russia and China so we're back to where we were in the Cold War so I think we better understand where we came from to prepare for the future."

The monument has been in the works for several years. The Somers Village Board unanimously approved plans for the campus in Nov. 2019.

Oddly the move comes as Gov. Pritzker tries to outlaw over 170 types of commonly owned guns in Illinois.

As many as five million firearms and 10 million magazines in the state may be affected by the ban. Gun rights advocates have begun litigation against the state noting it is unconstitutional under the Second Amendment.

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Wrigley Building," says Kimberly Bares, CEO of the MMA.

Fifty lucky couples selected from a pile of over 350 applications were treated to a complimentary civil union or marriage in Sept. 2021, and again on Oct. 1, 2022. It was all officiated by Cook County Circuit Court judges who volunteered their time.

The event celebrated the 100th Centennial of The Wrigley Building and took place beneath a festively decorated architectural bridge of the historic building, designed

to inspire travelers, locals and residents to return downtown after the pandemic shutdowns. The marriages drew national media coverage and created a celebratory spectacle. Estimates are that 6.8 million people viewed the campaign across broadcast, social media, and traditional media.

"The joy and happiness our event brought to the couples last year as we marked our Centennial was inspirational, and we're proud to bring back this incredible event," said Bradley Borowiec, Vice President of The Wrigley Building.



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