

Two historical River North buildings sold



(L-R) Pizzeria Due. Image courtesy Chicago Bar Project. Pizzeria Uno. Image courtesy, Pizza Hall of Fame

Sites near new casino are hot properties

BY IAN ACHONG
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New information has been revealed on the sale of two historical structures at 29 E Ohio St. and 619 N. Wabash Ave. in River North. Located on opposite corners of each other and across the street from the upcoming temporary Bally's Casino, the buildings hold Chicago staples of Pizzeria Uno and Due. Previous CEO

of the chain Aaron Spencer approved the sale of the buildings to the Texas-based investment firm Newport Global Advisors, who also fully purchased Uno's in 2017.

The four-story, masonry-clad structure at 29 E. Ohio St. was originally built in 1892 on its 2,500-square-foot lot as a single family home, long before the restaurant would make its debut in 1943. That's when Texan native Ike Sewell and Ric Riccardo attempted to start a Mexican-restaurant and after a bout of

food poisoning decided to pivot towards pizza, however wanting something more substantial the idea for the first deep dish pie was born. It is worth noting that while Uno's is often credited with its creation, deep dish actually appeared on other local menus as far back as 1926 at Rosati's which also continues to serve the pies to this day.

As its popularity swelled, owner Ike Sewell opened a second location (Pizzeria Due) one block

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Bad buzz, ZBA has denied new pot shop application

The Chicago Zoning Board of Approval [ZBA] has denied an application for an Adult Recreational Cannabis Dispensary at 212 E. Ontario in Streeterville.

Green & Bransford, LLC has filed a Special Use application to operate an Adult Use Cannabis Dispensary at that location.

This comes after the Streeterville Organization of Active Residents [SOAR] and Ald. Brendan Reilly [42nd] both went on the re-

cord as opposing the application.

SOAR wrote letters of objection to the ZBA, and also testified at their hearing on Aug. 19 with the American College of Surgeons and 230 E. Ontario residents.

SOAR said that their testimony represented hundreds of Streeterville residents who were opposed to the pot dispensary location due to traffic and safety concerns.

Although weed is legal in Chicago, "it was the opinion of many

that this was not an appropriate location for the proposed business, SOAR noted in a released statement. "Ontario St. is a major route to the Northwestern Hospital emergency room. It is surrounded by residential units, cultural institutions, children's day care centers, hotels and it is the main artery to the highway from the downtown area."

Despite landmark status, failed developer's attorney tells judge ward remap will assist his clients' bid to build 60-story tower

BY PETER VON BUOL

During a telephone court hearing on Aug. 19 with federal judge Charles P. Kocoras, an attorney for a New York City-based development company which still owes nearly \$50 million to a group of Chinese investors claimed his clients may soon be able to take advantage of the city's new ward map, and that its possible his clients will be able to build a 60-story apartment building at the corner of Wabash Ave. and Supe-

rior St.

"There's been some good news for the Chicago project," said attorney Daniel G. Hildebrand, who represents Symmetry Property Development and its principals Jeffrey Laytin and Jason Ding. "Pursuant to the new ward maps, the [current 42nd Ward] alderman [Brendan Reilly] who exercised his aldermanic prerogative will no longer be involved. The parcels are no longer in that particular ward. We think that removes one of the barriers to development of

that project."

Hildebrand failed to mention to Kocoras the three parcels his clients had sought to demolish are part of the Near North Side Multiple Property Landmark District, which covers an area in River North and Streeterville bounded by Chicago Ave., Fairbanks Ct., Grand Ave., and LaSalle Dr.

By definition, landmarked buildings cannot be torn down for new high-rises.

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North Side hit hardest with closed precincts during June 28 primary vote

In seeking an "emergency declaratory injunctive relief" and temporary restraining order, the Board of Election Commissioners [the Board] for the City of Chicago shut down 73 voting precincts citywide for the primary elections on June 28.

But for some reason 47 of the 73 announced closed precincts, over 64%, were located on Chicago's North Side.

The Board's claim is that, "There is an ongoing public health emergency under Section 4 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act as proclaimed by the

Governor of the State of Illinois" since March of 2020.

They're referring to the COVID-19 emergency shut down enacted by Gov. J.B. Pritzker, and enforced by Mayor Lori Lightfoot, that while still in effect, is today being lightly observed.

On March 9, 2020, Gov. Pritzker proclaimed the existence of a disaster in all counties in the State of Illinois due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The governor's statewide disaster proclamations have continued every month since

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River North Assn. in financial trouble, pleas with community for support

In a note sent out to River North Resident's Assn. [RNRA] members and friends, the community group admitted to having financial difficulties as part of an ask for \$100,000 That "is urgently needed to sustain operations."

The community group said that this is a critical moment for them and that it's necessary now to "explain the facts more clearly, so that our members and partners understand what is at stake."

RNRA is a non-profit that claims a membership of 23,000 residents. It is an advocacy group that has just one paid staff member and receives no funding from any government agency or political group. For the last 25 years, all the resources they've raised supported the RNRA mission.

The last few years have been

rough on the well-heeled community, and their problems usually make the evening news. While many in City Hall have turned their back on the Chicago police, RNRA has ramped up its efforts to support law enforcement in response to unprecedented incidents of serious crime, shootings, looting and rioting.

RNRA also took on a key role in vetting recreational weed dispensary applicants, recommending operational improvements, and facilitating community review meetings.

After the city announced plans to bring a casino to Chicago, RNRA also became among the most prominent neighborhood association working to oppose the

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The victory of art over rigidity and immoveable forces



By Thomas J. O’Gorman

Just when I thought I was finished with Netflix, they go and do something intelligent to keep me as a subscriber. They've got me. They brought back the film "Woman in Gold."

Maybe you've seen it. The story of the pilfered art belonging to the Bloch-Bauer Family in Vienna, just before the arrival of the Nazis. Jewish families with world class art collections, like them, didn't keep them for long.

When their paintings quickly wound up in the collection of the highly respected Belvedere National Museum in Vienna, you know something stunk to high heaven.

The museum quickly curated the five paintings owned by the Bloch-Bauer Family by famed artist Gustave Klimt, adding them to their collection. They remained there from the start of World War II until 2006, when a panel of experts ruled that they should rightfully be returned to the family's heirs. That would be Maria Bloch-Bauer Altmann, played by Helen Mirren, truly a victim of the museum's greed. She operated a Los Angeles dress shop following her relocation to the U.S.A. after the war.

The film also stars Ryan Reynolds, as the young L.A. attorney E. Randol Schoenberg who carries out the true tale of the heirs' legal fight from the 1990s through 2006 to get the paintings returned.

The 'Woman in Gold,' is Maria's aunt, Adele Bloch-Bauer. The young wife of a wealthy pre-war Viennese sugar executive. He

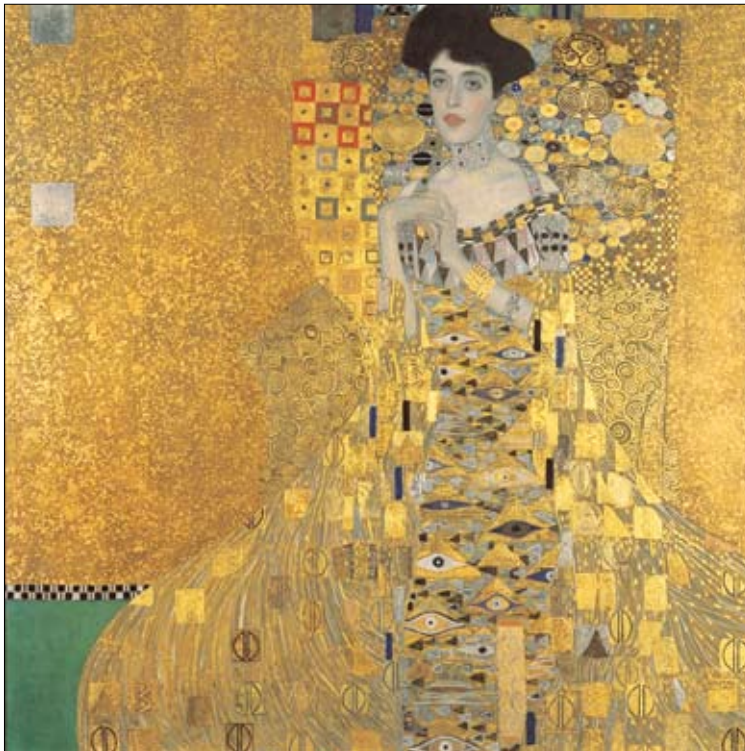
commissioned Klimt in the 1920s to paint his extraordinarily beautiful wife.

The movie saga is really an uphill battle, powerful museum vs war-ravaged rightful heir. Attorney Schoenberg pulls off a legal miracle getting the paintings freed from the museum. "Woman in Gold" sold for \$150 million after restitution. And is currently in the famed museum established by Ronald Lauder, the lipstick queen Estée Lauder's son, in Manhattan, known as the Neue Galerie New York. You can easily see it now.

But, I state my long-criticism of art museums, now, though with a caveat. One that came about because the Museum of Fine Arts of San Angelo [SAMFA] in Texas recently acknowledged that a priceless piece of sculpture was living in their collection. A 500-year-old statue of St. Anthony of Padua, patron saint of all things lost. The Texas museum admitted that the work had been stolen from a church in Mexico. And they were finally returning the sculpture to the rightful owners. I was amazed. This story would certainly make a very different movie.

And then I also discovered a new museum has opened in Rome, the "Museum of Rescued Art," to house some 260 pieces of art and artifacts in a new rotating collection. All lost to Italy through theft or skullduggery. These artworks were recovered during seizures by the Manhattan District Attorney's Antiquities Trafficking Unit. This museum is itself a monument to the process of international retrieval, repatriation and the safeguarding of national treasures. Many on a small scale but with Etruscan, Greek and Roman origins.

Both museum actions signal for me how the pressure of public scrutiny can effectively change the sense of guarded entitlement to which, sadly, many public art institutions subscribe. "Public" art museums are often misguided in their efforts to protect art. Dis-



Woman in Gold by Gustav Klimt (1862-1918).

play art. Own art. And abide by agreements both internationally legal and just plain morally correct.

Nothing made that clearer to me than reliving the adventurous tale of Spanish painter Pablo Picasso's famed painting, "Guernica." That's the huge work, 11-feet x 25-feet, that might be his most famous work. Certainly his most controversial. Displayed first in Paris at the 1937 World's Fair in the Spanish Pavilion. While a civil war of immeasurable destruction was unfolding in Spain. Generalissimo Franco's fascist forces at war with all liberal traditions of government and civilian and human rights.

Franco's support from Germany's Adolph Hitler says it all.

Spain's liberal government, the anti-Franco folk, were still in power in 1937, and sought to display their nation's finest artists and their work in their World's Fair pavilion. They wanted a big painting by Picasso. They even traveled to Paris to ask him to help.

Of course, he refused. Said

he had too much going on. They left dejected. But very quickly Franco's forces received heavy support from Hitler's Luftwaffe. The German Air Force bombed a small enclave in the Northern Basque region. The town of Guernica. Slaughtering every man, woman and child from the air. The world turned in horror. And Picasso fashioned an enormous canvas, immediately, to tell the tragic story of Spanish slaughter in his singular style.

Displayed at the World's Fair, just weeks later, "Guernica" was a showstopper.

The German government was outraged. So was Franco. Each denying the truth that was so obvious to the world.

Soon Franco was the supreme ruler of all Spain for life. And “Guernica,” the painting, had to be protected at all costs. Quickly taken out of Europe’s impending horror.

It would eventually find itself in New York where the Museum of Modern Art [MOMA] displayed it heroically. Spending all of World War II there. Later Picasso

legally instructed his lawyers and MOMA not to permit the painting to be returned to Spain until a democratically elected government was in power there.

In the interim the painting toured many American cities. Coming to Chicago in 1939, exhibited at the Arts Club of Chicago. Chicago Daily News critic Eleanor Jewett found the piece “disappointing.” Picasso’s modernist style was not to the tried and true tastes of American Midwesterners.

Picasso would die in 1973 without seeing Spain's eventual dramatic and historic change to democracy.

In 1975 Franco, himself, died. And soon there was a democratically elected government in power in Madrid. But all attempts to get “Guernica” back to Spain failed. MOMA spent a decade trying to hold on to Picasso’s most controversial painting. Continuing until 1981 when finally MOMA and Picasso’s lawyers agreed to ship the painting back home.

A curious moment came when members of the U.S. Senate were asked to address the issue of the painting's delayed return to Picasso's homeland. A letter was sent urging MOMA and the lawyers to agree to what was a fair resolution as per the artist's own wishes. The authors of the letter were the oldest and youngest members of the U.S. Senate. Sen. Strom Thurman, Republican of South Carolina (oldest) and Sen. Joseph Biden, Democrat of Delaware (youngest). The logjam was dislodged and the painting was shipped to the Prado Museum in Madrid.

Amazingly, with few details made public about the painting's arrival, after it landed it

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A night with the fabulous Chrissy Metz



Heart of the 'Hood

by Felicia Dechter

Actress Chrissy Metz had less than a dollar in the bank when she landed the role of Kate Pearson on what would become the wildly-popular, hit TV show, "This Is Us." That's where I first got to know her and love her. The series, which ended its six season run in May, propelled Metz to stardom.

"I was very down and out, very broke," recalled Metz, who originally went to LA to become an agent's assistant and then an agent for nine years. "I was afraid of my own shadow. I didn't think acting was my thing. I wanted to be Robin Williams or Jim Carrey in female form."

"When 'This Is Us,' came along, I thought, no way," continued Metz, who will be 42 on Sept. 29. "I didn't have a series or a job under my belt. I had 81¢ in my bank account. I had to borrow money to get gas for the audition."

I don't know how much she has in the bank today, but I'm guessing Metz is sitting pretty.

Not only is she an awesome actress, but she's also a powerful singer and the author of a best-selling memoir "This Is Me." She also has launched her own California wine label, Joyful Heart Wine Co., and donates a portion of every bottle sold to the World Central Kitchen, a nonprofit organization that uses the power of food to nourish communities and strengthen economies in times of crisis and beyond. (Metz has created three, luscious-sounding wines, her red and white "every day wine" and "special occasion" Limited Reserve wine. I especially want to try her white, described as: "Bright and textured, with a fragrant mix of white peach, tropical fruit, and fresh flowers.")

On Aug. 30, Metz will combine her passion for performing with her love of wine when she hits the stage at City Winery, 1200 W. Randolph St.

"I am so grateful to be going on this tour and connecting with people," said Metz, who loves Chicago, as does her boyfriend Bradley. "It's all I ever wanted to do."

"It's an emotional gift," she added. "It's amazing."

That night, expect a "really intimate night filled with life lessons and heartache that we go through," with a lot of country music, said Metz, who gives out samples of her wines at shows. "It wouldn't be a wonderful experience and journey if there are no highs and lows."

"It's always about authenticity," added Metz, who thanks to the popularity of the Chicago-based Hulu series "The Bear," will be on the hunt for the city's best Italian beef sandwich. "I share what I'm feeling in life and sing songs about love, loss, healing. I like to think it's emotional. I feel things very deeply. It's cyclical -- give and take, very special."

For the last five years, Metz has been perfecting her songwriting. She has a bunch of songs and is trying to figure out which will go on what album. She thought, "I do have plenty of music. I'm going to do a tour."

"Music is my first love," said Metz, who was "obsessed" with Motown and musically influenced by people like the Temptations, Four Tops, Supremes, Doobie Bros., Hank Williams and Trisha Yearwood. "I just want to see what people are reacting and connecting to."

I expect they'll react and connect to



(L) Actress Chrissy Metz will perform at City Winery on Aug. 30. (R) George Blakemore livened up North Avenue during the Air & Water Show with his hand-painted parasols. Photo by Louis Perlia.



Metz's music so much that she'll bring down the house. And if you've never seen "This Is Us," binge watch it and let me know your thoughts. Both Metz and I agree that the second to last episode, "The Train," is one of the greatest episodes on TV ever.

We welcome Metz and her band to Chicago. We can't wait to see what she does next!

Clarification and correction... The crap hit the fan after my Aug. 10 column on the moving of the summer day camp in Touhy Park to another park due to unsafe conditions. I received several positive emails thanking me but actually, not one negative one. Yet online, on Rogers Park social media pages, was a different story.

The column was called right-winged propaganda because I don't want to de-fund the police. (You can still be a leftie and not want to do that! Believe me, when you need a cop you'll be happy to see them.) I "demonized" the homeless. The online trolls had something to say both for and against what I wrote.

For two years, I didn't write one word about the Touhy Park homeless encampment. I occasionally brought food over there and was raised to be sympathetic to all. My mother housed the homeless in her Rogers Park home. But as I said in the column, when something as simple and ordinary as a kids' summer camp was in danger and had to be moved, I saw red.

Please let me repeat that: WHEN SOMETHING AS SIMPLE AND ORDINARY AS A KIDS' SUMMER CAMP HAD TO BE MOVED, I SAW RED.

That was the reason for that column. Not because I'm a right winged, propaganda slinging, homeless people hater. Nor am I anti-Ald. Maria Hadden [49th] so let's get that straight.

And now people are also demonizing the folks who want a safe place to send their children to camp and a safe place to live. But not one person emailed me their address to send the homeless over to them. Not one person personally emailed me anything nasty.

What I did receive were thanks. Several of them. In private. From people who didn't want to be called out on social media.

And please note this correction: Ald. Hadden was due to meet with the Loyola Park Advisory Council, not the Touhy Park Advisory Council as I wrote. Sorry -- wrong park.

I leave you with one thought: Do you think that for one second this situation

would fly, say, across the street from the Latin School at North Ave. in Lincoln Park? Do you think for one tiny moment a homeless encampment would be allowed? Neighbors there went crazy when Latin erected huge open-air, temporary tents so its students could eat lunch outside during the height of the pandemic. I can only imagine...

As always, we welcome your opinions, comments, etc. Feel free to send us a Letter to the Editor at insidepublicationschicago@gmail.com

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Talk of the town... during last week's Air and Water Show we happened to see our old friend George Blakemore, whose gorgeous, vibrant hand-dyed parasols lined North Ave., adding color and pizzazz to our already abuzz city. The parasols, as well as Blakemore's spiffy, hand-painted outfit,

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Senior bingo at the 19th Police District

The 19th District Police CAPS office will be hosting Bingo for seniors 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 25 in the Community Room. To reserve a bingo card, call 312-744-0064.

American Legion burger night Aug. 26

The American Legion Tattler Post #973 is hosting their monthly burger night, Friday Aug. 25, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., at 4355 N. Western Ave.

The general public is invited to join in the classic community dinner, which has been going on now for over 25 years.

Guests may enjoy a fresh grilled 1/2 lb. burger and adult beverages with fellow community members and neighbors. A great meal and fundraiser for the Post, no reservations are required.

Every Friday night the Tattler Post is open and the bar is manned by community volunteers. Guests are welcome to spend time with Legion Officers and members, as well as member.

Learn about the programs and events coming up and enjoy inexpensive drinks. All proceeds go to support the Tattler Post's Community Fund.

Sewer fix will consume Rogers Park streets this fall and winter

Much delayed and needed sewer repairs are starting up next week, so North Rogers Park residents and businesses should prepare for the coming disruptions.

The Dept. of Water Management [DWM] will soon start installing a new sewers with work scheduled to begin tentatively on Tuesday, Sept. 6, when DWM's contractor will begin to install a new mainline sewer, structures, and pavement on Greenview from 330 feet north of Rogers to Rogers; on Greenview from Howard to Birchwood; on Rogers from Greenview to Ashland, and on

Birchwood from 300 feet east of Greenview to Greenview.

Crews will work in phases throughout the project, only shifting to a new area after replacing the sewer main along a separate leg of the project. They will start on Rogers between Rogers and Greenview. Once the temporary concrete sewer trench is poured on Rogers, crews will then transition to the Greenview and Birchwood legs of the project.

Construction crews have already prepared the site for the sewer installation, including marking the location for utility lines.

During construction, work crews may close the streets to through traffic, but local traffic for area residents and business owners will be allowed.

Throughout the project, "No Parking" signs will be posted where crews are actively working and the parking restrictions will move along as they make progress.

Once the pipe has been installed, the street will be temporarily restored with a concrete trench until they are able to completely restore the street with new asphalt.

ADA-compliant sidewalk ramps will be repaired or installed where needed, along with repairs to damaged parkways and sidewalks.

The final restoration will include milling the surfacing, placing new asphalt, and pre-painting the street markings.

While the DWM try to restore the area to its pre-construction state, they do not assume responsibility for damage to privately installed parkway improvements, including sprinkler systems, fences, flower beds, and shrubbery.

Apple to start charging streaming tax on nearly all products in Sept.

BY JONATHAN BILYK
Cook County Record

Apple will begin tacking on the city of Chicago's so-called "Netflix tax" to the bill paid by subscribers to Apple streaming services and products in September.

And City Hall has agreed to not seek to go after Apple in court for as much as four years of back taxes it could claim Apple owes, under a settlement agreement ending Apple's legal challenge to the city's extension of the so-called "amusement tax" to streaming entertainment services.

The lawsuit challenged Chicago's city ordinance imposing a 9% "amusement tax" on subscription streaming entertainment products, such as those offered by Netflix, Hulu and Apple, among others.

According to an analysis completed by Bloomberg, the city collects as much as \$30 million per year from the streaming services amusement tax.

Apple's lawsuit had followed attempts by others to challenge the tax.

Apple and other challengers claimed the city's tax violated the Internet Tax Freedom Act. Apple also added claims under the Illinois state constitution and the U.S. Constitution's commerce and due process clauses.

Apple specifically claimed the way the city applied the tax was unconstitutional.

Courts, however, took a dim view of Apple's arguments, finding Apple's complaint "lacking" the specificity needed to set out an "as applied challenge" to the tax's constitutionality.

A Cook County judge dismissed Apple's complaint without prejudice, giving the company the opportunity to amend their lawsuit and try again, if they wished.

Apple, however, opted to settle with the city and drop the challenge.

A spokesperson with the city of Chicago declined to discuss the settlement terms at the time the settlement was announced and accepted in court in late July.

The settlement indicated Apple had collected the city tax since July 2021 on its Apple TV+ and Apple Fitness+ products sold to customers with Chicago billing addresses.

However, under the settlement, Apple will also begin collecting that tax from its Chicago customers subscribing to its Apple Music and Apple Arcade products, as

well as all Apple products, except Apple News+ and video rentals and "streaming third-party services," effective Sept. 15.

In return for Apple dropping the legal challenge, the city agreed to release Apple from "any and all Amusement Tax liability, including any additional tax, interest or penalties, for all periods prior to Sept. 15, 2022."

The settlement does not estimate how much money the city may believe Apple may have owed for past unpaid amusement tax.

In the settlement, the city said the loss of any such past revenue is acceptable because "the City stands to derive substantial revenue it otherwise might not collect without this Agreement" and to avoid future costs associated with litigation.

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Assessor Fritz Kaegi with the Blues Brothers Band, including Dan Aykroyd and Jim Belushi, at the Old Joliet Prison on Aug. 19. In the Blues Brothers movie, hooligans Joliet Jake and Elwood Blues, pursued by state and local police as well as the Illinois National Guard, race to the Cook County Assessor's Office to pay off the property-tax debt of the St. Helen of the Blessed Shroud Orphanage in Calumet City. Now it turns out that the orphanage never really owed any taxes in the first place. The assessor has given the orphanage a certificate of error.

St. Helen of the Blessed Shroud Orphanage was wronged!

Assessor Kaegi tells the Blues Brothers how taxes are paid



The Home Front

by Don DeBat

"The Blues Brothers" probably is the most famous movie ever made on the streets of Chicago.

The 1980 auto-chase and crash scenes with actors John Belushi and Dan Aykroyd behind the wheel of a rusty old squad car must have wiped out 100 Chicago Police cruisers with the approval of Mayor Jane Byrne.

Although the movie grossed more than \$115 million, and received positive reviews, the final film was one of the most expensive comedies ever produced because of all the destruction.

During the movie's climax, hooligans Joliet Jake and Elwood Blues, pursued by state and local police as well as the Illinois National Guard, race to the Cook County Assessor's Office to pay off the property-tax debt of the St. Helen of the Blessed Shroud Orphanage in Calumet City.

The story is a tale of redemption for paroled convict Jake and his blood brother Elwood, who set out on "a mission from God" to prevent foreclosure of the Roman Catholic orphanage where they were raised.

To accomplish their mission, they must reunite their Rhythm & Blues band and organize a performance to earn \$5,000 needed to pay the property tax bill.

Along the way, they are targeted by a homicidal "mystery woman" (Carrie Fisher), Illinois Nazis, and a country and western band—all while being relentlessly pursued by the police. The movie features R&B, soul and blues numbers performed by five-star singers James Brown, Cab Calloway, Aretha Franklin, Ray Charles, Chaka Khan, and John Lee Hooker.

This writer, the former real estate editor of the Chicago Daily News and Chicago Sun-Times for nearly two decades, has viewed The Blues Brothers movie more than 50 times. However, one inaccurate fact in the script has always

bothered me. Property taxes actually are paid at the Cook County Treasurer's office, not the Assessor's office.

The Assessor's Office is central to the plot of The Blues Brothers. The movie features wild chase scenes inside and outside the Cook County Building.

"Indeed. We've been joking about that all week," admitted Scott Smith, chief communications officer for Cook County Assessor Fritz Kaegi.

"I'm convinced this plot gaffe is why most people think the Assessor is solely responsible for any and all property tax increases, even though municipal tax levies play a role as well," Smith said.

To finally straighten out the error in the script, Smith said Assessor Kaegi took part in a live comedy sketch with actors Dan Aykroyd and Jim Belushi during the actors' Friday, Aug. 19 musical performance as The Blues Brothers at a fan convention in Joliet.

The in-person event was part of "Blues Brothers Con" at the Old Joliet Prison at 1125 Collins St. in Joliet. The concert began at 9:30 p.m. with Aykroyd and Belushi performing as The Blues Brothers,

along with legendary rhythm and blues musicians and Blues Brothers co-stars Steve "The Colonel" Cropper and Tom "Bones" Malone.

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During the sketch, Assessor Kaegi presented The Blues Brothers with new information about the orphanage property which had been incorrectly assessed by one of his predecessors.

With Aykroyd looking on and nodding, Kaegi said: "St. Helen of the Blessed Shroud is an orphanage. It is a religious institution. It's tax exempt."

Then, Kaegi explained in assessor lingo: "We want to set this right. So, we're going to issue the orphanage a certificate of error. No taxes are due for 1979 to 1981.

And no taxes in the future."

The plaque also retroactively granted "special assessment landmark statues, as the childhood home of Jake and Elwood Blues, a.k.a The Blues Brothers, and is therefore exempt from any future assessments increases or taxes."

When Aykroyd accepted the plaque, he addressed the crowd and said: "Well, I guess the whole movie didn't happen."

The Blues Brothers celebration also featured a screening of the film in the prison yard, a Saturday morning gospel service, a vintage car show, food vendors, a beer garden and art demonstrations.

While Assessor Kaegi has nothing to do with collecting property taxes, he is a highly qualified expert in property assessments, holding both the Chartered Financial Analyst and Certified Illinois Assessment Officer designations. Before serving as assessor, Kaegi had a 13-year career as a financial-asset manager at Columbia Wanger Asset Management. Kaegi holds an MBA from Stanford Univ.

Is the Assessor a Hollywood star?

If Hollywood decides to make



The certificate of error.

The Blues Brothers II movie, the affable Fritz Kaegi should be given a part. At the recent 25-Year Memorial of columnist Mike Royko's passing, Kaegi was a guest, along with former Illinois Gov. Pat Quinn, and Bill Sianis, son of Billy Goat Tavern owner Sam Sianis.

Kaegi, who played 16-inch slow pitch softball in his Hyde Park neighborhood as a kid, brought a

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Police Beat...

Security guard fires shots during River North carjacking; City's hijacking tally passes 1,000

An armed security guard shot at a man who stole a woman's car while she was pumping gas at a River North service station on the evening of Aug. 16, Chicago police said. No injuries were reported, but the thief got away with the woman's car—at least for a while.

Chicago has recorded over 1,000 hijackings this year, passing into four-digit territory ten days ahead of last year's pace.

The Aug. 16 hijacking happened at the BP station, 631 N. LaSalle St., around 6:44 p.m.

According to CPD, a 34-year-old woman left the door to her Volvo open while filling the tank, and a man jumped into the driver's seat and drove away. The driver's door cut the woman's knee, but she refused medical attention.

Meanwhile, a security guard in the station lot pulled out a gun and fired at the offender. He has a valid Firearm Owner's ID card, according to police, but the department did not say whether he was licensed to carry the weapon in public.

Cops found the woman's Volvo abandoned and running in the 6600 block of S. Champlain in Woodlawn shortly after it was taken.

The hijacking is the eighth of the year in River North, which is a low number when compared to other neighborhoods monitored by this reporter. Last year at this time, there had been seven hijackings reported in the area.

CPD took its 1,000th carjacking report of the year on Aug. 6, according to city data. Last year, which saw a record number of carjackings, hit 1,000 carjackings on Aug. 16.

Woman critically injured in Gold Coast shooting

A woman was critically injured overnight when a man shot her inside a vehicle on Lake Shore Dr. in the Gold Coast, according to Chicago police.

The 26-year-old victim was in a parked car with a man and at least two other people when the couple began arguing around 2:30 a.m. Aug. 19. During the altercation, the man allegedly pulled out a gun and shot the woman in the left cheek. According to CPD, the incident appears to be domestic-related.

Following the shooting, the man drove the woman to the Loop, where they spotted police officers and requested assistance near Roosevelt Rd. and Michigan Ave. The car then took the woman to Northwestern Memorial Hospital, where she was admitted in fair condition.

Police detained the suspect.

So far this year, 51 people have been shot in the Near North community area, which includes the Gold Coast. There were 29 victims at

this point last year; 34 at this point in 2020; and 24 by this date in 2019.

Rogers Park man pulled from Montrose Harbor; another man found dead in Diversey Harbor

The body of a 38-year-old West Ridge man was pulled from the water near Montrose Harbor Aug. 18. He was identified as Francisco Gonzalez of the 6400 block of N. Bell Ave., according to a spokeswoman for the Cook County Medical Examiner's office.

Emergency responders were called to the 200 block of W. Montrose Harbor Dr. for a report of a body in the water, according to Chicago police. The man's body was retrieved by Fire Dept. personnel at 12:22 a.m. He was taken to Weiss Memorial Hospital where he was pronounced dead at 2:13 a.m.

Gonzalez was the third dead person pulled from the lake last week.

On Aug. 17, the body of Luis Alberto Davila Vera, 43, of the 1000 block of W. 15th St., was pulled from Lake Michigan near Diversey Harbor, authorities said. Chicago police classified the case as a death investigation. The Fire department suggests he slipped and fell into the harbor, and that this was an accidental drowning. According to police, Vera fell into the water off the shore of the 2600 block of N. Cannon Dr. at 5:02 a.m., but he didn't resurface.

He was taken via ambulance to Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead at 5:54 a.m.

The third death was a man pulled from the waters off of Whiting, IN.

Man gets five years for randomly attacking, robbing women in the Loop

William Livingston, the man accused of randomly attacking and robbing women as they walked through the Loop on a sunny Tuesday in February, has been sentenced to five years in prison.

Livingston, 29, entered a plea of guilty to two counts of robbery, two counts of attempted robbery, and one count of aggravated battery in a public place. Judge Tyria Walton presided over the case and handed down the sentences, which will be served concurrently. Records show that Livingston will be released on May 8, 2024, after receiving the state's 50% good behavior credit.

According to police and prosecutors, the assaults began around noon on Feb. 8 in the 700 block of S. State when Livingston tugged on a 30-year-old woman's backpack as she prepared to cross the street.

Livingston allegedly punched the woman in the face when she turned around, causing her to fall to the ground.

A few minutes later, Livingston punched a 25-year-old woman in the jaw as she smoked near Wabash and Van Buren, causing her headphones to fall to the ground, prosecutors and police said. He gave them back after she gave him her cigarette.

She called 911 and followed Livingston to Wabash and Jackson, where she saw Livingston reach into a 25-year-old woman's coat pocket and then punch the victim in the face

three times. The third victim fell to the ground, and Livingston allegedly walked away. DePaul University said in a public safety bulletin that the victim was a student at the school.

While the second victim stopped to help the third victim, Livingston



William Livingston

pulled a hat off a 27-year-old woman's head near Wabash and Monroe, then punched her in the neck and face when she yelled for him to give it back, according to prosecutors. He then allegedly spat on a 49-year-old woman who witnessed the incident.

Police officers arrested Livingston near State and Monroe around 12:30 p.m., and the victims and witnesses identified him as the attacker.

Prosecutors filed additional charges a few days later after a fifth woman recognized Livingston in news coverage as the man who attacked her near the Daley Center.

Livingston reached an unusually quick deal with prosecutors and pleaded guilty on May 31, less than four months after he was charged. Similar cases typically drag on for a year or longer. This reporter discovered the sentencing during a recent review of criminal case records.

Prosecutors dropped several other felonies in their deal with Livingston, including counts of aggravated battery and unlawful restraint. Livingston has a history of similar incidents.

In 2017, he was accused of randomly attacking two women in separate attacks months apart, including a Columbia College student who was leaving school in the Loop, according to court records. Both cases were dropped.

The 20-year-old Columbia student told police she was leaving a school building as Livingston approached in the 1100 block of S. Wabash on April 26, 2017, a CPD report said. She told officers she thought Livingston would walk past her, but he instead punched her in the face, the woman alleged.

While he was in the police station holding cell, Livingston grabbed a lock-up attendant by the chest and kicked him in the groin, police alleged. He was charged with simple battery for the attack.

According to court records, prosecutors dropped charges in the Columbia student attack 12 days later when she failed to appear in court. They also dropped charges in the lock-up incident.

A few months later, on Dec. 16, 2017, Livingston allegedly punched a 29-year-old woman in the face, struck her in the stomach, and kicked her in the leg several times near the 95th St. Red Line CTA station.

The alleged attack reportedly came without warning and resulted in another misdemeanor battery charge. Prosecutors dropped the case ten months later, court records show.

Before they did, Livingston was arrested again in the Loop. This time he allegedly went behind the security desk of an apartment building in the 1000 block of S. State and stole two phones.

Cops arrested him nearby. Officers alleged that he spat in one cop's face before they took him in. He allegedly spat in another cop's eye at the station.

Livingston pleaded guilty to burglary and aggravated battery of a peace officer and received a sentence of 24 months of probation from Judge Michael McHale.

Home burglary in Lincoln Square

Police are warning Lincoln Square area residents of recently reported

burglary incidents. During each incident, the offender forces entry through broken windows, enters the building.

In one of the incidents the offender removed tools from a construction site. Nothing was reported missing in the other two incidents. The offender is observed on video surveillance (JF359631) entering through the closed entrance gate and continuing down the gangway.

These incidents all occurred on Aug. 16 in the 2200 block of W. Winona Ave., during the evening hours; the 2200 block of W. Winona Ave. in the evening hours, and the 2200 block of W. Winona Ave., in the evening hours.

The offender is an unknown male, 25-30 years of age, shirtless with dark blue pants.

Those who may have any information can contact the Bureau of Detectives – Area 3 at 312-744-8263 and refer to cases JF359587, JF359584 and JF359561 and P22-3-058 (CA).

Armed robbery crew shoots one man, robs four others in Edgewater during 15-minute crime spree

A group of armed men swept through Edgewater overnight, robbing five men and shooting one of them, according to Chicago police reports obtained by this reporter.

While the Chicago Police Dept. issued a brief statement to the media about the man who was shot, the department didn't tell the public that he was shot during an armed robbery. The police department also failed to notify anyone of the other robberies that occurred in the area within minutes of the shooting.

Officially, the police department said this about the shooting:

In the 5400 block of N. Winthrop, on Aug. 17, 2022, at 12:05 a.m., a male victim, 44, was struck to the leg by gunfire and transported to a St. Francis hospital in good condition. There are no offenders in custody, and area detectives are investigating.

But, we have learned that the victim was shot and physically assaulted by two men who robbed him outside an apartment building. He told police that two men shot him, kicked him, and took his phone before fleeing the scene in a silver car heading south.

He made his way into his apartment, where another man called for help. The victim was taken to St. Francis Hospital with a gunshot wound to his right thigh.

Officers on the scene described the robbers as two Black men in their twenties. One of them, wearing a gray hoodie, kicked the victim. Another man, dressed in a red hoodie, shot him.

Police found one shell casing at the scene.

At about the same time as the shooting, four men were robbed in two separate hold-ups in the immediate area.

Two were robbed at gunpoint near the 1000 block of W. Balmoral, and gunmen robbed the other two near the 1000 block of W. Bryn Mawr.

In both cases, the victims reported to police that three men wearing ski masks approached them and demanded their property. The offenders then fled in a silver vehicle, possibly an SUV, according to the victims.

The robbers were described as three Black males. They wore shirts or hoodies that were variously described as red, brown, and black.

CWBChicago has requested official information about the robberies from the Chicago Police Department. We will provide an update once it responds.

So far this year, nine people have been shot in Edgewater and two of those shootings occurred during rob-

beries.

On Jan. 13, an armed robber shot a 60-year-old man who yelled at him as the offender tried to rob someone at gunpoint in the 5900 block of N. Glenwood. A 17-year-old is charged with that shooting.

Then, on March 3, an armed robber shot a man in the leg and shot his dog to death during an armed robbery on the 5200 block of N. Winthrop Ave.

Man charged with unlawful use of weapon

Jonathan Jimenez-Alcanta, 21, of the 9400 block of S. Champlain Ave., has been charged with one felony count unlawful use of a loaded weapon, and aggravated battery Aug. 20, when he was arrested at 12:05 a.m., in the 0-100 block of E. Chicago Ave.

Jimenez-Alcanta was observed, moments earlier, in possession of a firearm with a laser, in the 0-100 block of E. Chicago Ave. The weapon was recovered and the offender was placed into custody and charged accordingly.

Man shot while walking near the lakefront at Addison

A man was shot on the lakefront near Addison St. Aug. 21, Chicago police said. It happened near the clocktower, an area that was the site of several shootings and shots fired incidents between 2014 and 2016 until CPD clamped down on nighttime loitering.

Around 1:26 a.m., a 20-year-old man was walking in the 3600 block of N. Recreation Dr. when he heard gunfire and noticed he had been shot in the leg, according to a CPD statement. He arrived at Thorek Hospital in a car moments later.

Witnesses reported seeing a couple of people exchanging gunfire in the area of the tennis courts and parking lot south of the clock tower. Cops found one shell casing in the lot.

The victim is the 10th person shot in Lakeview this year, compared to only four by this point in 2021. In 2020, eight people were shot in the neighborhood, but one was by police, another was an accident, and another was self-inflicted. In 2019, Lakeview had five shooting victims.

Sunday's shooting occurred at almost exactly the same spot where two people were shot on July 6, 2014. Another shooting happened in the same area on June 11, 2016. And a 23-year-old man was shot about 150 feet south of the clocktower early on July 30, 2016.

The shootings, along with other incidents in the area, prompted Chicago police to close off the lakefront area during the overnight hours to prevent gang-related gatherings and conflicts.

According to city records, there had been no shootings along Recreation Drive since the July 30, 2016, incident.

Couple shot during possible robbery attempt in Rogers Park

A man and a woman were shot in a possible robbery or carjacking attempt in Rogers Park on Aug. 20. The crime may be related to another armed robbery that occurred about a block away just moments earlier. Chicago police said the female victim is in critical condition.

At around 5 a.m., a man was robbed at gunpoint by two offenders who displayed a rifle or shotgun on the corner of Howard St. and Ridge Blvd., according to a CPD report. The victim told police that he heard a gunshot nearby shortly after the robbers fled.

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Jarring video of armed men, catalytic converter theft operation on North Side

BY CWBCHICAGO

Newly-acquired surveillance video shows a heavily-armed and remarkably polished catalytic converter theft crew working a North Side residential street this month. The footage shows that the thefts, often dismissed as “property crimes,” are serious business for the people who carry them out.

At least two people have been shot while interrupting catalytic converter thefts in progress on the North Side since late July.

“I’d like for everyone to be aware that these people are armed and will fire shots straight at front doors that open or individuals that they feel pose a threat to their operation,” said the resident who agreed to share the video with us.

In the video, a white car pulls up to an SUV, and the carefully choreographed theft begins. One man slides out of the back passenger seat and immediately gets to work as three other men step out of each of the other doors and post watch, keeping their eyes peeled in all directions for witnesses, cops, or other problems.

Two of the lookouts are clearly seen with firearms in their hands. The entire operation took less than a minute from start to finish.

Meanwhile, there are indications that catalytic converter thieves may be part of a nationwide network that ships stolen car parts cross-country, defeating local efforts to interrupt the sale of the devices.

Cops in Washington County, Oregon, this month said they broke up a \$22 million operation that trafficked 44,000 catalytic converters from the Pacific Northwest to recyclers on the East Coast.

“I’d like for everyone to be aware that these people are armed and will fire shots straight at front doors that open or individuals that they feel pose a threat to their operation,” said the resident who agreed to share the video with us.

Prosecutors there charged 15 men in a conspiracy that allegedly stretched across six states.

Just four days before the Chicago

footage was recorded, a catalytic converter team shot a 54-year-old man who intervened in a theft in the 7200 block of N. Oakley.

On July 28, a 57-year-old concealed carry holder was shot when he intervened in a catalytic converter theft on the 2200 block of W. Oakdale in North Center. Police said the man returned fire, and witnesses saw one of the thieves hop into a getaway car while clutching his arm as if he had been shot.

Chicago police later confirmed that officers were pursuing charges against a 16-year-old boy who showed up at Humboldt Park Health with a gunshot wound to his arm after the shooting. But a CPD spokesperson said that the teen was eventually released without being charged.

The July 28 altercation is similar to a shootout that occurred less than a half-mile away late on Nov. 11, 2021.

In that case, a 44-year-old man was sitting on the steps of his

home when he heard a loud noise coming from the street in the 2900 block of N. Wolcott, police said. He investigated the noise and discovered two men under a vehicle.

The two men both drew guns and began shooting at him without warning. The victim, a concealed carry holder, pulled out his gun and returned fire, striking one of the men in the neck, according to police. The victim was not injured.

According to authorities, the thief, 25-year-old Darion Blackman, collapsed on a nearby sidewalk with a gun under his arm and died a short time later. Two of his accomplices escaped. At the time, Blackman was out on bail for felony gun charges.

Woman shot while driving near Maggie Daley Park

BY CWBCHICAGO

A woman was shot while driving on Lake Shore Dr. near Maggie Daley Park on Aug. 20, Chicago police said. She is the 27th person shot in the Loop community area this year.

Police said the 36-year-old was heading south in the 100 block of N. Lake Shore Dr. when she heard

several shots, and her back passenger window shattered around 10:30 p.m. She soon noticed that she had pain in her head and flagged down police officers near Roosevelt Rd. for help.

Officers discovered a graze wound to the top of her head as well as bullet holes in her Mitsubishi Highlander.

The woman was taken to

Northwestern Memorial Hospital in good condition, according to police.

Shootings in the Loop are up 50% compared to the 18 cases seen at this point last year. There were 11 shooting victims at this point in 2020 and five for the entire year of 2019.

Suspect arrested for alleged sexual abuse of boy inside McDonald’s restroom

BY CWBCHICAGO

A suspect is in custody after a 6-year-old boy was sexually abused in a bathroom stall at the former Rock’ n’ Roll McDonald’s in River North, according to a Chicago police report. It is the second time since 2020 that a child is said to have been abused in the restaurant’s men’s room.

The boy was inside a stall at the restaurant, 600 N. Clark, when the adult male entered and sexually abused him, a Chicago police report said. McDonald’s security officers attempted to arrest the man, but he assaulted the guard

and then resisted Chicago cops. The suspect was tazed and taken into custody by CPD officers.

Police said the security guard declined medical attention. EMS took the boy to Lurie Children’s Hospital in good condition.

Area Three detectives were still investigating on Sunday morning, the spokesperson said, and charges were pending.

In Feb. 2020, prosecutors charged Christopher Puente, 34, with sexually assaulting a 3-year-old girl inside the restaurant’s men’s room while her father was helping her brother, who had an “accident.”

Puente allegedly used his hand to muffle the girl as she cried for her father. But the father managed to hear the commotion. He looked over the top of the stall, saw what was happening, and pulled the girl out.

Police said Puente admitted to placing his private parts against the girl’s, but he denied having intercourse with the child. He reportedly told cops that he was high at the time of the attack.

The case is still pending in criminal court, and Puente is being held in the Cook County jail without bail.

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Also, around 5 a.m., a man and woman were shot while sitting inside a Jeep in the 2100 block of W. Birchwood, just a couple of blocks south of the robbery scene.

In a brief media statement, Chicago police said a man walked up to the couple’s car and shot into the vehicle. The Jeep’s driver took himself and the woman to St. Francis Hospital in Evanston.

The 24-year-old female passenger suffered gunshot wounds to her face and hand and was listed in critical condition. The man, age 30, received a gunshot wound to the shoulder. He was in good condition.

So far this year, 19 people have been shot in Rogers Park, a slight increase from the 17 victims recorded at this time last year.

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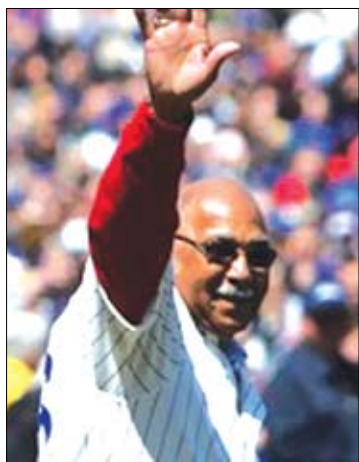
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was placed in a transport. Then “Guernica” rode from the airport to the museum. As it did, millions of everyday residents of Madrid left their offices, places of business and their homes, lining the street of the capitol in tears, waving the work to its rightful home.

The pressure of public scrutiny can effectively change the sense of guarded entitlement to which, sadly, many public art institutions subscribe.

Once again, it was the victory of art over the rigidity and immovable forces of museum possessiveness and a misguided sense of ownership. No painting was ever meant to be catalogued and housed in the drafty corridors of history. Whether that is the Louvre in Paris, the MET in New York, the National Gallery in London or the Hugh Lane Gallery in Dublin. World class museums are not above the moral law.

But the artistic history of a nation is, reluctantly, better served, alas, permitting the public to

have guarded access to paintings of merit and national significance. As long as we don’t kid ourselves into thinking that the panoply of art is actually as valuable and significant as the works of art themselves. It’s an art lesson as basic as finger paints.

BIG PURPLE NEWS: Michael H. Schill has been named the new 17th president of Northwestern Univ. in Evanston. He was, before this, the 18th president of the Univ. of Oregon. In addition he has been a law professor at the Univ. of Oregon School of Law. Former dean and currently the Harry N. Wyatt Professor of Law Emeritus at the Univ. of Chicago Law School. Sixty-three-years-old, educated at Yale Univ. School of Law, Princeton Univ., and the Princeton Univ. School of Public and International Affairs. He is welcome to our town.

YELLOW BRICK ROAD: Sir Elton John brought the house down at his recent Chicago show at Soldier Field, entertaining all, but I think he may have had some special love for his bespec-

tacted fans Gibson’s Steakhouse’s **Kathy O’Malley Piccone** and **Carol Gipson**. And yes, those were Gaga Monsters roaming lost around Wrigleyville last week for **Lady Gaga’s** spectacular show at the friendly confines. If you missed it, you may have missed the show of the year.

FIELD OF DREAMS: Fergie Jenkins, perhaps the greatest Cub of all time, threw out the first pitch at the 2022 Field of Dreams game in Dyersville, Iowa on Aug. 11 to Hall of Fame catcher **Johnny Bench**. It was magic. The Cubs played the Cincinnati Reds and beat them 4 to 2.

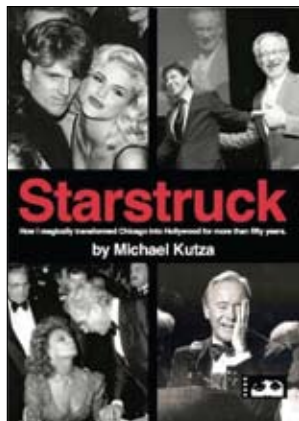
HYDE PARK EATS: Erick Williams, the first Black person to win a James Beard Best Chef Award in the Great Lakes or Midwest, launched Po-Boy and Tavern, in the Hyde Park neighborhood. The restaurant pays homage to Louisiana cooking with po-boys featuring bread flown in from Leidenheimer Baking, gumbo, fried chicken, and muffuletta. There’s also nine TVs for sports fans. 5215 S. Harper, open 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, until 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

ARS GRATIA ARTIS: Nancy Mack Badger was born in 1930 and died recently embraced by a loving family. She was raised in Glencoe and elegantly educated, residing in Winnetka after marriage, for the rest of her life. She was a facile and creative writer at one with the poetic intuition of such a gift. Always active in the life of her community, she was a docent at the Art Institute of Chicago.

VONITA REESER MEMORIAL: Plans are underway to host a gathering to honor the life and memory of the singular **Vonita Reeser**. It is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 13, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Casino, 195 E. Delaware. Cocktails and hors d’oeuvres. Reservations at \$100. Mail checks to Service Club of Chicago, PO Box 10165, Chicago, IL 60610

MINDY’S BAKERY: Celebrated Chicago Chef **Mindy Segal** is back and open for business at 1623 N. Milwaukee Ave., in what used be Red Hen Bakery. While strictly a carry-out menu, her heavenly bagels and pastries are what gives a neighborhood savvy refinement and fame. You can’t miss it. Just follow the long line of customers.

STARSTRUCK: Michael Kutza, founder of the Chicago International Film Festival, is set to release his first book, “Starstruck,” chronicling his 50 years



Starstruck by Michael Kutza (right).



in the eye of celebrity and how he turned his hometown into the Hollywood of the Midwest.

DECADES OF LOVE: Forty years of love and family is enough to alter the spin of the world. It gives others a sense of family and intelligent love. Big salute to the **Julie and Bryan Barrish**. We congratulate the Barrishes on this remarkable anniversary.

MOVIE NIGHT: Myra Reilly’s garden has a national reputation for beauty and elegance, the perfect place for the Service Club beauties to hold a Summer Movie Night watching “Birdcage” with fab food, drink and all the amenities. Bravo to Myra and **Bobbi Panter** for the genius behind this Service Club fundraiser.

FORM AND FUNCTION: Ken Norgan having an afternoon at architect **Mies van der Rohe’s** Farnsworth House in Plano, IL, on the Fox River with **Alex Krikhaar**, **Larry Dinaso**, and **Liz Branch**. What an experience.

WHO’S WHERE: That was my grand pal **Cliona Buckley** dining with **Vinny** at **Marco Pierre White’s** fab restaurant... **Sean Eshaghy** lunching with two Chicago beauties, **Mamie Walton** and **Biba Roche**... The Devil Wears Prada Producer **Kevin McCallum** and **Arny Granat** at Opening Night, very exciting waiting for Sir Elton John who wrote all the great music... the Langham’s **Shaun Rajah** in Manhattan NYC... **Marist Quinn** in Utica, NY, traveling with family... young **Teddy Flores** in shape running the White Sox race on their home turf picking up some great swag for the efforts with his best pal, his pop, former **Ald. Manny Flores**, a true gent... **Cynthia Olson** and good pals **Tom Gorman** and **Bill Zwecker** spotted at Le Petit Paris catching up on their recent summer Euro-

pean travel adventures... **Laura Newman** staged a perfect day to hide out at Wrigley... **Sherry Lea Fox**, **Mark Olley** and **Paul R Iacono** on the Peninsula’s roof at Shanghai Terrace...

Happy 16th Birthday to **Ben Borg** who had a cool U. of Chicago summer and enjoyed a celebratory dinner with Mom, **Paula** and Dad, **Tom Borg** at Gibson’s Steakhouse...

George Jewell and **Ken Norgan** sampling the bubbly at George’s Michigan pad... **Jim Kinney** and **Brian White** welcoming

a new neighbor to their rooftop soiree with lakefront vittles and a view, not to mention traveling to Little Tuscany on S. Oakley for an Italian feast with Cynthia Olson at Bruna’s... **Contessa Bottega** and **Petros** dining at Pearl Rooftop Nikki Beach Resort & Spa in Kranidi, Greece... **Dan Balanoff** with legions of friends at Windy City Smokeout & Country Music & BBQ Festival... **Tera** and **Jon McGreal** managed to reach Death Valley in a surprisingly heat-battered summer... **Beth Harvey Preston** had **Owen** and birthday boy **Nate** (9) at Fort Ticonderoga, NY, in full uniform... **Shelley Howard** presiding over vittles on a perfect summer night with his besties, **Jay Barksdale**, **Jim Coston**, **Fernando Asturizaga**, **Shaun Howard**, **Larry Wright** and **Dennis Donn**... **Takara Beathea-Gudell** looked fresh in a very sophisticated grey linen dress and green necklace and her friend in bright green linen... **Whitney Reynolds** in Florida looking cool among the palms... **Rhonda J Liesenfelt**, **Leah Chavie** and **Marcie Mondell Holzer** at Beachcomber Resort & Club in Pompano Beach, FL... **Florindo Rosante** coming ashore in seaside Naugatuck at the big yachts. Judge (ret) **Rhoda Sweeney Drucker** and hubby, **Fred**, entertained Consul General **Tajima Hiroshi** of Japan and family at the Grant Park Symphony.

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-- Thomas Sowell

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR AMERICAN HOME MORTGAGE ASSETS TRUST 2007-1 MORTGAGE-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2007-1 Plaintiff,

-v.-
MARIA ELENA CAPARROSO A/K/A MARIA CAPARROSO, LACIDES CAPARROSO, THE RIDGE ESTATES CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants

2022 CH 00643
7351 N RIDGE BLVD #GB
CHICAGO, IL 60645
NOTICE OF SALE

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Commonly known as 7351 N RIDGE BLVD #GB, CHICAGO, IL 60645

Property Index No. 11-30-314-013-1009

The real estate is improved with a residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, 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/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

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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.

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Attorney File No. 14-22-00343

Attorney ARDC No. 00468002

Attorney Code. 21762

Case Number: 2022 CH 00643

TJSC#: 42-2497

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Case # 2022 CH 00643

I3199962

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
WM-RR LLC, A NEW JERSEY LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY; Plaintiff,

vs.
ZAJIM PEROCJEVIC; GLORIA PEROCJEVIC; CHICAGO TITLE LAND TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE UNDER TRUST AGREEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 15, 2005, AND KNOWN AS TRUST NUMBER 8002345368; CITY OF CHICAGO; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants,

21 CH 4061

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, September 27, 2022 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:

Real Estate For Sale

Commonly known as 2053-61 W. Touhy Ave. and 7131-33 N. Ridge Blvd, Chicago, IL 60645. P.I.N. 11-31-103-001-0000.

The mortgaged real estate is improved with a commercial building.

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 Ms. Edyta Kania at Plaintiff's Attorney, Robbins DiMonte, Ltd., 216 West Higgins Road, Park Ridge, Illinois 60068-5736. (847) 698-9600. Perocjevic INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Intercountryjudicialsales.com

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC Plaintiff,

-v.-
CORNELL H. HENTZ AS SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES HUNTER, WOODREW HENTZ, JR., MELVIN HENTZ, DEDRIC E. HENTZ, CHAUNDRA ROUSSEAU, ASA COVINGTON, CORNELL HENTZ, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF JAMES HUNTER A/K/A JAMES HUNTER-HENTZ, MARIO HENTZ, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants

2021 CH 04297

7520 N ROGERS AVENUE

CHICAGO, IL 60626

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 21, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on September 22, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 7520 N ROGERS AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60626

Property Index No. 11-29-300-012-0000

The real estate is improved with a residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, 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/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

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the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of the section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, the right to redeem does not arise, there shall be no right of redemption.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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Real Estate For Sale

Case Number: 2021 CH 04297

TJSC#: 42-2356
NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Case # 2021 CH 04297

I3199501

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,

-v.-
ROSARIO LENI F. ALBA, 7120 NORTH SHERIDAN CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants

2022 CH 00797

7120 N. SHERIDAN RD. UNIT 314

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 May 27, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on September 15, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 7120 N. SHERIDAN RD. UNIT 314, CHICAGO, IL 60626

Property Index No. 11-32-102-015-1028

The real estate is improved with a condo/townhouse.

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/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

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of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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Case Number: 2022 CH 00797

TJSC#: 42-2318

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Real Estate For Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
MATRIX FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION; Plaintiff,

vs.
BETHEL BURTON; BETHEL BURTON, AS TRUSTEE UNDER THE TRUST AGREEMENT DATED DECEMBER 7, 2015 AND DESIGNATED AS THE BETHEL JOHNSON DIXON BURTON REVOCABLE TRUST; CITY OF CHICAGO 4325-27 N. HAZEL STREET CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; SAMUEL BURTON; Defendants,

17 CH 12064

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 Monday, October 3, 2022 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. 14-17-407-054-1004.

Commonly known as 4327 North Hazel, #1N, Chicago, Illinois 60613.

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 & Associates, P.A., 1771 West Diehl Road, Naperville, Illinois 60563. (630) 453-6925. F21020007 ADC

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I3201512

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
CITIMORTGAGE, INC. Plaintiff,

-v.-
THOMAS BRIAN CLARKE, 1617-23 WEST NORTHSORE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants

20 CH 00080

1617 W. NORTH SHORE AVE., UNIT G

CHICAGO, IL 60626

NOTICE OF SALE

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Commonly known as 1617 W. NORTH SHORE AVE., UNIT G, CHICAGO, IL 60626

Property Index No. 11-31-411-021-1004 fka 11-31-411-008-0000; 11-31-411-021-1016 fka 11-31-411-008-0000 (P-1)

The real estate is improved with a condominium.

The judgment amount was \$218,076.95.

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

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For information, contact HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL, 62523 (217) 422-1719. Please refer to file number 400674.

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Attorney File No. 400674

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Case Number: 20 CH 00080

TJSC#: 42-2381

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Case # 20 CH 00080

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,

-v.-
ALI E. LOPEZ, 5100 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN

Real Estate For Sale

OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS

Defendants

2022 CH 00975

5100 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD APT 509

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 June 1, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 3, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 5100 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD APT 509, CHICAGO, IL 60640

Property Index No. 14-08-402-013-1119; 14-08-402-013-1133

The real estate is improved with a residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, 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/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

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-v.- ERNESTO H. PADRON, AS INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATOR, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF REGINA HEIL, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, DISCOVER BANK, THE PLAZA ON DEWITT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, ERNESTO H. PADRON, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants

2021 CH 05843

260 E. CHESTNUT ST #805 CHICAGO, IL 60611

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on May 31, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on October 5, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 260 E. CHESTNUT ST #805, CHICAGO, IL 60611

Property Index No. 17-03-2022-023-1070

The real estate is improved with a condo/townhouse.

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

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of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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The 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.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION PEOPLES BANK F/K/A PEOPLES BANK SB, Plaintiff,

-v.- LILLIAN BORICH, ERIE CENTRE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Defendants

2021 CH 06335

375 W. ERIE STREET, UNIT 209 CHICAGO, IL 60610

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 21, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on September 23, 2022, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

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Property Index No. 17-09-127-039-1009 and 17-

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Case # 2021 CH 06335

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION REPUBLIC BANK OF CHICAGO, AN ILLINOIS BANKING CORPORATION; Plaintiff,

-vs. MARCO A. ROJAS; RBS FINANCE LLC, AN ILLINOIS LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY; BMO HARRIS BANK N.A., FKA HARRIS TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK; DOMAIN CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, AN ILLINOIS NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION; SUSANNA DUECKER AKA SUSANNA DUECKER AGUILAR; MKZ REALTY INC., AN ILLINOIS CORPORATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants,

16 CH 6221

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 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. 17-04-300-047-1157 and 17-04-300-047-1541.

Commonly known as 900 North Kingsbury Street, Unit 963, Chicago, IL 60610.

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from the original in 1955 and attracted even more customers.

The nearby four-story stucco-clad building at 619 N. Wabash Ave. houses the chain's second location known as Pizzeria Due. Built in 1914 as a multi-family home, the lower floor has held the restaurant since 1955 which was their only other location until franchises began to open by the aforementioned Aaron Spencer in 1979. Since then the chain peaked in 2005 before declaring bankruptcy in 2010 according to Crain's. At the heart of the company throughout the years were the two downtown locations which continued to serve typical pies and employed those who went on to start Gino's East and Lou Malnati's.

Both buildings were last sold in 2001 in a similar packaged deal, with 619 N. Wabash Ave. failing to sell in 2018 on its own. The new deal which closed early in July was for a total of \$6.5 million, split into \$2.3 million for the 29 E. Ohio St. Uno's and \$4.3 million for Due. Current chain CEO Erik Frederick has assured the past owners that the restaurants will continue to operate as they always have but will receive some renovations. The company also owns the property directly behind Due's at 49 E. Ontario St., all of which expect an influx of diners when the new casino opens.

TOWER from p. 1

Created in March 2020, the landmark district includes a total of 15 Near North Side residential buildings. All were built within a very short time period after the Great Chicago Fire of 1871.

The district includes a noncontiguous group of single-family homes, row houses and apartment buildings which represent the early redevelopment of the Near North Side.

Once the new ward map takes effect, the parcels will be included in the city's 2nd Ward.

Despite Hildebrand's comments, there are no indications Ald. Brian Hopkins [2nd] would support overriding the buildings' landmark status. In fact, in 2018 Hopkins championed an ordinance which has made it much more difficult for property owners who had intentionally neglected their landmark buildings so they would have to be demolished.

In the past, once the landmarks had been demolished, a property owner had been able to sell the vacant parcels to developers.

The ordinance introduced by Hopkins has made it very costly to property owners who intentionally neglect landmark properties.

A few months ago, Hildebrand did admit

PRECINCTS from p. 1

then.

But with schools, churches, bars and restaurants all open, concerts, street fairs and music festivals at standing room only, and the citizens of Chicago generally ignoring the pandemic safety measures ordered under the governor's emergency decree, one wonders why the Board of Elections is one of the last institutions still sticking strictly to the emergency protocols, and closing voting precincts?

From the 2nd and 42nd wards downtown, north to the city limits in the 49th Ward, the highest concentration of closed precincts are in the 42nd Ward (14) and 44th Ward (8).

The board, which conducts elections across more than 2,000 precincts in about 1,500 locations, needed court approval to change election procedures, and shut down the voting precincts.

The elimination of those election sites

SUPPORT from p. 1

Bally's Tribune casino development. Since the City Council approved the proposal, RNRA has remained actively engaged in the effort to encourage changes to the plan in order to reduce negative impacts to the surrounding community, the citizens of Chicago, and the natural environment.

"But the truth is, we can't go on without you," the letter explains. "The pandemic and its economic consequences limited our ability to hold the large public events that have generated most of our operating revenue, which has severely depleted our reserves."

in court his clients cannot locate the \$50 million owed to the Chinese investors. He added, however, his clients have been acting in good faith.

In early Feb. 2021, Symmetry and its co-defendants had signed a class-action settlement agreement in which they agreed to return the missing money to a group of Chinese investors. Now, 18-months later, the money is still missing.

According to Hildebrand's filing, the money was initially to have been paid within 45 days of the agreement. When his clients were unable to do so, they asked for, and were granted, another 45-day extension. This allowed Symmetry and its co-defendants to continue to look for another source of funding to fund the class action settlement agreement.

One of the attorneys for the group of Chinese investors, Doug Litowitz, has told this newspaper he believes his clients' money was siphoned off long ago by Symmetry's principals.

affects about 59,015 registered voters, Board spokesman Max Bever told the Chicago Tribune in June. The Tribune did not ask Bever why so many of the closed precincts were centered on the North Side.

The Board said it hopes to find new polling places in the precincts ahead of the Nov. 8 general election.

So we called the Board's offices last week to see if they expected a similar number of precincts to be closed for the General election as well? And to ask why the largest majority of closed precincts for the primaries were located on the North Side, over other parts of the city. We did not get a call back by deadline.

The court order, dated June 3, said that the Board and the voters and judges of election of the 73 affected "Vacant Precincts," listed in the Order, "have a clearly ascertainable right to participate in the electoral

Indeed RNRA has traditionally generated money through membership dues; local business sponsorships; small public events; and a large summer riverfront festival. About 80% of their operating revenue has traditionally come from the River North SummerFest, then the Taste of River North, and this year, into a new riverfront music festival called River North LIVE!

The government-imposed economic shutdown prevented them from any holding public events, including the summer festival, which has resulted in net operating losses since 2019.

RNRA says they have now reached an inflection point, and that now an infusion

"[We] have evidence that the Chinese investment (of nearly \$50 million) was never loaned to the failed project, as required [by law]. When no permit was issued to build, they diverted the investment to the managers' personal accounts and other projects. When they were discovered, they tried to smooth it over with a lie that they would return the money with a \$200 million-dollar Bahraini loan, which was never investigated, and which had them lying to federal judges for a year," said Litowitz.

Individually, the Chinese investors each had invested up to \$550,000 for a total of nearly \$50 million to fund construction of what was known as the Carillon Towers project. The investors had been participating in EB-5, a shady federal program which provides foreign investors with a fast-track to permanent U.S. residency status.

For many participating in EB-5 projects, their investment is often a substantial portion of their life's savings.

Earlier this year, U.S. District Chief

process, to preserve their rights to vote and the integrity of the electoral process, and they have a likelihood of success on the merits of their claim."

But that the Board, the judges of election and the voters of "the Vacant Precincts do not have an adequate legal remedy that would protect their rights to cast their ballots for the... Primary Election, which necessitates the granting of equitable relief. [Absent] the grant of equitable relief, the Board, the voters and election judges of the Vacant Precincts will suffer irreparable harm."

In its request to the court, the Board said that "due to the ongoing challenges caused by the disastrous health and safety pandemic, numerous polling place proprietors have informed the board that they are canceling their participation as election precincts and the board may not use those locations for public voting purposes. The Board hopes to find new polling places in the precincts ahead of the Nov. 8 general election."

of "\$100,000 is urgently needed to sustain operations until we can resume our normal funding model in 2023."

"We are making an urgent appeal to everyone who relies on the existence of a strong, responsible, and influential neighborhood organization in River North, to step up and support RNRA with a financial contribution. We have never asked for this before, and hope never to do so again, but at this moment in time, there is no alternative."

They have established a GoFundMe page to collect donation before Sept. 30.

Judge Charles Kocoras had appointed Bahraini-based attorney Karim Mahmoud to serve as a federal special master. As special master, Mahmoud has investigatory powers which has enabled him to sort through the many claims made by New York-based developers Jeffrey Laytin and Jason Ding.

For more than a year, Laytin and Ding have told federal judges they would be returning their investors' money. They had claimed they had secured funding through a loan from Bahrain, but that loan was just a mirage, and Litowitz's clients are still awaiting the return of their money.

Although he is now based in Bahrain, Mahmoud spent years practicing law with a multinational firm in New York. He is currently a partner with Dubai-based Hedef and Partners.

This newspaper has made numerous attempts to contact Laytin and Ding. So far, they have not responded to any questions.



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