

“Gossip is news. Besides, I print true gossip.”



By Thomas J. O’Gorman

She had a beat. Ann Gerber had a beat. A social stake out. From the lakefront to the runways at O’Hare, from RL and the Drake Hotel to Gibson’s and the flat landscape of the Peninsula, Petherino’s, the Goodman Theater, City Hall, the Pump Room and the laughter of cliffside dwellings along Lake Shore Dr.

She liked Chicago best when it shimmered and twinkled like good jewelry or a fresh drink.

Ann Gerber was first and always a reporter, born with the capacity to describe the situation in which she found herself and the circumstances in front of her. Understanding the impact of what she saw was her real gift. Her forte was adding two plus two and making sure it came up four. She took a bold pride in that. How people and events crisscrossed and were connected gave her the ability to tell the story. But as famed Pump Room orchestra leader and longtime friend, Stanley Paul reminds us, “Ann always knew the scoop! But could keep a secret too!”

She was an old fashioned reporter, a long time champion of the socially oppressed and the fashion-challenged. She was a Chicago booster with a passion for life, fresh stories, the Cubs and good coffee.

Ann had a dogged nose for news and enormous passion for her capacity to frame it well in the re-telling.

Early on Ann discovered the secret that Lemony Snicket knew, “The key to good eavesdropping is not getting caught.”

But, make no mistake, she also had a little girl’s love to be charmed, titillated, cradled and amused.

She believed there were lessons

to be learned in life, especially from the naughty behavior of others.

She liked it best when the conversation flowed like crisp white wine, when the barriers to glibness were removed, and chatter became honest, straightforward and true.

Socialite-writer Sugar Rautbord says, “Ann Gerber was gifted, gorgeous, glamorous and giving.” All true. No arguments on this bit of evidence. And the Service Club’s Myra Reilly put it like this, “If Ann had you in her heart, she always had your back. Truly a loyal, special friend.”

Ann had the knack for separating the wheat from the chaff whether that concerned husbands, waistlines or errors in judgment. Her words could be arrows, but also reminders to be good and try harder next time.

Rejecting the cheap ride of cynical escapes, she knew there was good in the worst of us and bad in the best. Adept at maneuvering the fine line between vanity and truth, she believed you must be true to your school or suffer the consequences of life with little purpose or loyalty.

Giving and getting for her was just opposite sides of the same bus. It’s like Oscar Wilde said, “If there is anything more annoying in the world than having people talk about you, it is certainly having no one talk about you.”

She knew the power of a bully pulpit was best used like a good perfume. And her willingness to speak truth to power - whether social or political - was necessary, essential and sexy.

PR maven Dori Wilson recalls Ann’s thoughtfulness and willingness to use the power of her plug.

“I was such a fan of Ann, having known her since the 1970s. Ann was generous in featuring me in her column when there was no one else around who looked like me in certain social circles. She was always wonderfully supportive and honest. If she felt I didn’t look my best, she would not hesitate to let me know it! But always in



Ann Gerber

private. She was always willing to assist in getting the word out about my charity causes or clients.”

Andy Pierce, who worked at Skyline with Ann from 1995 to 2000, provides a great telescopic view of that famed network of sources upon whom Ann relied for tips and items of interest. Andy says, “It was explained to me early on in my duties as Skyline managing editor that Ann’s sources were door-men, maître d’s, hairdressers, tailors, nannies, little old ladies peeking through their curtains or listening at their doors, masseuses, maids, bartenders, waiters and other service employees and caterers to Chicago’s elite who would share with her tidbits for blind items. She had her network that somehow repopulated itself and stayed in touch through the decades.”

Ann had the gift for smelling the difference between the real and the phony from several tasteful shops away. That’s why she came to life, revived in all the best places, rejuvenating, as it were, amid the rumination of lunch with a friend.

Nowhere was this more true than at Ralph Lauren’s flagship restaurant, RL. Ann was as much a part of RL as the paintings on the wall or the buzz bouncing off those walls. She was a part of the commotion and the spirit of its elegance, helping to create that special Chicago magic that she knew so well. Lunch will never be quite the same again without Ann. But her darlings will keep her energy going. She will be missed. She will be celebrated.

Ann took delight in the streetscapes of Chicago. She enjoyed the celebrity of its citizens and the way that special places, like Gibson’s Steakhouse, gathered its own brand of fame and notoriety. Not unlike herself.

The Rush St. restaurant had a special affection for Ann Gerber and she took sweet delight in the fast paced rhythm of its dining room. The size of its steaks. The abundance of its fresh fish. And

in the harmony and hanky-panky of friends with hearty appetites. She was always intrigued by the way in which each booth often appeared packed with people Ann had known through a lifetime. She always gave as good as she got. She was a star in Chicago’s social heaven. And she reported with celestial excitement on the goings on of friends and strangers alike.

Her dear friend, Sherren Leigh, founder of “Today’s Chicago Woman,” says “Ann was a true dame, feisty, fun and compassionate about life.”

Sherren, like so many, also recalled Ann’s husband, Bernie. “He’d respond to all the event invites Ann received that always arrived addressed to Ann Gerber and Guest. We’d affectionately call him Mr. Guest. I’d refer to him as my favorite husband. Because he was just that. And Ann loved it.”

Bernie just turned 100, a milestone for which Ann hosted a remarkable party.



Ann Gerber enjoys Gibson’s social panache with Mamie Walton and writer Sherrill Bodine.

clouds of romance and a refined etiquette, always trying to expand the measure of other people’s living. Not a bad goal in the end.

Her leaving leads her friends to join with generations of her fans in offering to her beloved Bernie our sympathy, our sorrow and our respect.

Ann Gerber had a sharp eye and a high heart. She will always remain a part of this column, its syntax, energy and scope. I will continue to honor her memory with my commitment to social reportage that is fair, creative and shaped by wit. With a loss we all feel, we take refuge in the words of the poet, W.B. Yeats, who reminds us just how lucky we really are to have shared so much with her, “Think where man’s glory most begins and ends, and say my glory was I had such friends.”

RED HAT IN ROME: An excited crew of Chicagoans was in Rome for the consistory at which **Pope Francis** conferred the Cardinal’s beretta, Red Hat, on Chicago’s now-Cardinal **Blase Cupich**. Making the journey to Rome were Gibson’s **Peggy O’Ryan Lombardo**, her sister, **Therese, Misen-**

ricordia’s **Father Jack Clare**, **Father Bill Corcoran**, Sun-Times columnist **Mike Sneed**, **Mayor Rahm Emanuel** and his wife, **First Lady Amy Rule**, leading a delegation of more than 80 “civic, faith, elected and business leaders.” Among the delegation members are **Gov. Bruce Rauner**, **Illinois Senate President John Cullerton**, **Chicago Police Supt. Eddie Johnson** and **Fire Commissioner Jose Santiago** and former NBA star **Isiah Thomas**, who is from Chicago.

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Ann Gerber and actor Rob Lowe, circa 2010, at the Lynn Sage Cancer Research Foundation's fall benefit luncheon. © Linda Matlow/PIXINTL



Left to right: Former Lerner newspaper editor Beth Burmahl; Ann Gerber, Felicia Dechter; and Jack Bess, also a former Lerner editor, lunching at Gibsons a few years ago.



Ann Gerber and husband Bernard J. Kaplan attended hundreds of social events during Ann's career.

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there, you let me know.’

“Ann Gerber saved me from the worst heartbreak ever by what she did,” said Connolly. “She was kind, generous and loyal to all her friends. She performed many, many acts of kindness and each was kept secret; she never asked for recognition. She and Chloe are now together in heaven.”

Throughout her more than 65 years of column writing, Ann rubbed shoulders with the city’s movers and shakers and many of its visiting celebs.

Her lengthy career began on the North Side, when a young Ann started working on the school newspaper at Peirce Elementary School in Edgewater. From there it was on to Senn High School, and during one summer vacation, Ann applied for a job at a chain of community newspapers, the Lerner Newspapers, because her mother, Henrietta -- a stay at home mom -- loved reading the local Edgewater news that Lerner put out.

“They hired me, and Leo (Lerner) said, ‘I don’t want to teach you everything and have you leave,’” recalled Ann, whose dad, Benjamin, ran a corner grocery store at Bryn Mawr and Clark. “I thought, ha, I’ll be at the Tribune in six months! I stayed 40 years.”

Her first interview was 1942 when on a sleepy news Saturday, Ann received a call that Eleanor Roosevelt was in town. Young and ambitious, Ann was the only reporter working on a weekend, and her time with America’s first lady went off without a hitch.

A year later, when she was just 17, that ambition led to Ann being given the job of editor of the Albany Park/Jefferson Park Times and she worked as she attended Wright and Mundelein colleges and Northwestern Univ. It was there, at Lerner, that Ann became a sharp observer of life and people in the neighborhoods. In 1950, she started what would become the city’s longest running gossip column, which ran until she retired last December.

When asked what she attributed her poisonous pen’s long life to, Ann’s answer was quite simple: “I’m a good listener and I find people fascinating.”

Since those early days, the last 65 years had been colorful, incredible and busy, and like the cat that she was, Ann had many lives in the business and survived numerous publishers. She wrote for Lerner, Leader newspapers (where she started a paper called “Spotlight”), the Sun-Times, Pioneer Press, the Wednesday Journal, and before retiring, for Ron Roenigk of Inside Publications, the current owner of the former Lerner Newspapers.

During that time, she met former presidents Richard Nixon and Jimmy Carter. She hung out with a smoking hot, 30-year-old Marlon Brando “the most exciting celebrity I’d ever met.” Actor Burgess Meredith in-

vited her up to his apartment (“I said no and he never invited me again”). And who could forget meeting heartthrob Rob Lowe?

Yet of all the celeb tales Ann had to tell -- and there were many -- her favorite was Clark Gable, who she dined with in 1958 for two hours at the Imperial House when Gable hit town for the preview of his movie, “Teacher’s Pet.”

Photographer Linda Matlow, owner of Pix Intl, photographed Ann with many stars throughout the years. Matlow met Ann as a child and little did she know that decades later, she’d be working with the woman who had impressed her as a young girl, and continued to impress her as an adult.

“Ann came to my mom’s beauty shop on Bryn Mawr,” recalled Matlow. “I was five-years-old, enchanted by this woman who looked like a movie star. She was so elegant.”

The pair started working together after Ann left the Sun-Times, where she was hired in 1987 and subsequently fired two years later after printing an item about Stedman Graham, Oprah’s beau. Ann would snag invites to the glitziest parties in town and if she couldn’t make it, she’d send Matlow to cover the event and take pix.

“She calls me to cover Oprah’s birthday party at Michael Jordan’s restaurant,” Matlow reminisced. “I noticed it was a small gathering and wondered how Ann snagged an invite and would I be asked to leave. But I got a shot of Oprah blowing out her cake and one of her and Stedman!”

Another time, when Ann had Matlow fill in at a private event at Marshall Field’s, Matlow ended up photographing a young, new to the scene model: Cindy Crawford.

“She was such a beautiful, kind soul and a hell of a writer,” said Matlow of Ann. “I thought she’d live forever. She was the Keith Richards of the editorial world.”

Ann and the husband she adored, Bernie Kaplan, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary earlier this year. (We send our sincerest condolences to Bernie and family). She met Bernie at the Edgewater Beach pool. “I was in a black fringe bikini and hooker heels,” Ann said. “He didn’t have a chance.”

Publicist and friend Penny Juhlin said that’s what she and Ann shared -- good husbands and marriages.

“We had good marriages -- no -- great marriages in common,” said Juhlin, whose wedding Ann attended. “She understood the magic of a good marriage because we both had one and talked of that often. She wrote the most beautiful story about Wayne and I when he died April 17, 2014.”

Juhlin was working for WSDM radio when she met Ann about 40 years ago at the opening of a now defunct club called Le-Pub.

“I introduced myself and before long she was writing about the radio station I was

on,” said Juhlin. “Then I found out her husband listened to my late husband Wayne Juhlin when he had a radio show on WDAI. So there was this mutual, four- way admiration society from the get go.

“I always admired her beauty, fashion sense and sophistication mixed with honest down to earth humor,” said Juhlin. “One day, she shared a story with me and I loved her even more.

“She and Bernie were married at the Edgewater Beach Hotel. She was a romantic as well as realistic. When she heard the Edgewater Beach was being torn down... both sides hit her. She wanted something to remind her of this wonderful night in her life.

“Realistically, the place was blocked off and off limits to all as the demolition began,” said Juhlin. “It didn’t stop her and Bernie. One night they climbed over the fence and took some bricks back with them as special mementos!

“I couldn’t picture her doing this!” laughed Juhlin. “But it showed me how open she was as well as having that wonderful side where she always presented herself as poised and gracious.”

In Sept. 2013, Ann was awarded the Chicago Journalist’s Association’s prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award. Many of her former editors throughout the years say they’ll never forget working with her.

Ann was a true original in every sense of

the word, said her former Lerner and Pioneer Press editor, Beth Burmahl. “She was a wonderful, witty writer with an amazing work ethic that would put a lot of young people today to shame,” said Burmahl. “The Ann I knew was tough, but at her core was an extremely kind woman.”

“I’m so lucky to have worked with her during the latter part of her decades-long career,” said Burmahl. “Ann will always be a legend in my eyes.”

Others, too, feel the same way. “I lectured recently at the Sulzer Regional Library in Lincoln Square where I met a young, hip librarian who had somehow found Ann’s column and was enamored with her headlines and turns of phrase,” said Andy Pierce, a former Lerner reporter and editor. “He was tickled by her stories and her scandalous blind items.

“Her style still spoke to a wide range of people in the 2010s,” said Pierce. “I doubt any of us will have the lengthy run of being relevant and providing entertainment that Ann achieved.”

Leigh Hanlon, a former managing editor at Lerner, called working with Ann, “a highlight of my career.”

“She was a survivor, a hard-nosed journalist — and a mensch,” said Hanlon. “Ann pioneered the world of journalism for women at a time when few dared venture into that wilderness.”

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Fence sitters’ miss opportunity to lock in low mortgage rates



The Home Front

By Don DeBat

“Fence-sitters”—those prospective home buyers and homeowners who were planning to refinance—likely have missed a golden opportunity to lock in a near-record low mortgage rate this autumn.

A post-presidential election sell off in the Treasury market has caused a spike in home-loan interest rates, noted Sean Beckett, chief economist at Freddie Mac.

“Over the past two weeks the 30-year mortgage rate jumped 40 basis points to 3.94%, almost identical to the 39 basis-point increase in the 10-year Treasury yield,” Beckett said.

On Nov. 17 the benchmark 30-year fixed-rate mortgage average spiked to 3.94% from 3.57%

a week earlier, according to the Freddie Mac Primary Mortgage Market Survey. A year ago at this time, 30-year fixed-rate loans averaged 3.97%.

Fifteen-year fixed-rate loans averaged 3.14% on Nov. 17, up from 2.88% a week earlier. A year ago at this time, the 15-year fixed loans averaged 3.18%.

“If rates stick at these levels, expect a final burst of home sales and refinances as ‘fence sitters’ try to beat further increases, then a marked slowdown in housing activity,” Beckett predicted.

A Bankrate.com survey showed Chicago-area lenders were charging a range of 3.8% to 4.027% on benchmark 30-year fixed loans on Nov. 18.

Economic analysts are predicting that the Federal Reserve Board is likely to hike the federal funds rate at its next meeting on Dec. 13-14. The Fed last raised its benchmark rate in Dec., 2015, and it now stands between 0.25% and 0.5%.

With the job market continuing to make progress and signs of rising inflation showing up in the economy, Fed Chair Janet Yellen recently said an increase in short-term interest rates “could well become appropriate relatively



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Mortgage rates hit a historical rock bottom on Nov. 21, 2012, when the benchmark 30-year fixed mortgage average hit 3.31%, while 15-year fixed loans edged downward to 2.63%, Freddie Mac reported.

In Aug. 1999—when many of

today’s Millennial borrowers were in grammar school—lenders were quoting 8.15% on a 30-year fixed mortgage.

According to Freddie Mac, benchmark 30-year mortgage rates peaked at a whopping 18.45% in Oct. 1981 during the Great Recession of the 1980s. Rates fell below 10% in April 1986, and then bounced in the nine-percent to 10% range during the balance of the 1980s.

Archives of the now-defunct Federal Housing Finance Board show long-term mortgage rates were relatively affordable five decades ago at 5.81% to 5.94% between 1963 and 1965.

In 1966 and 1967, borrowers paid an average of 6.3% to 6.4%. In the 1960s, rates last dipped below 6.5% in January of 1968, when the national average hit 6.41%. Between 1971 and 1977, the now-defunct Illinois Usury Law held rates in the 7.6% to nine-percent range.

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Hosts claim City’s new home-sharing regulations trample property rights, free speech

BY JONATHAN BILYK
Cook County Record

Saying the city’s new regulations on online home-sharing services subject Chicago homeowners to a “literally incomprehensible” and “dizzying” array of rules - with severe potential penalties for breaking those rules – a group claiming to represent a number of Chicago property owners who list their properties on Airbnb and similar home-sharing sites has sued City Hall, calling on a federal judge to declare the city’s new ordinance unconstitutional.

On Nov. 4, an organization calling itself Keep Chicago Livable and named plaintiff Benjamin Wolf filed suit in Chicago federal court, asking the court to strike down Chicago’s Shared Housing Ordinance [SHO].

“The SHO, which purports to attempt to regulate the phenomenon of home sharing on internet

sites such as Airbnb, HomeAway, FlipKey and VRBO, in fact operates as a de facto and in some cases outright ban on the use of internet home sharing services, and violates the constitutional rights of Chicagoans to speak and communicate freely and anonymously on the internet, to use their own property, to have privacy, and to not be subject to arbitrary and discriminatory enforcement of the laws,” the lawsuit alleged.

The ordinance, which was approved earlier this summer by the Chicago City Council, is scheduled to take effect next month.

Supporters said the ordinance was needed to strengthen the ability of the city to police short-term rentals of condos, apartments and homes in the city’s neighborhoods and high rises. Supporters said the regulations arise in response to complaints from neighbors of the rented properties who said the short-term tenants disrupted their neighborhoods or their buildings, and threatened public safety.

Complaints also arose from the hotel and motel industry, which said the home-sharing platforms, like Airbnb, enabled building owners to essentially run small hotel

operations using otherwise vacant homes and apartments, sidestepping city hotel regulations.

However, the Keep Chicago Livable lawsuit said the ordinance goes too far, allowing the city instead to trample the constitutional speech, association and property rights of those seeking to list their dwellings on the home-sharing platforms.

According to the complaint, the city could use the ordinance to essentially gain control of the dwellings listed by potential home-sharing hosts – or grant control over those properties to neighbors.

For instance, they claim the ordinance gives the city the power to prohibit home-sharing rentals in certain buildings – and those buildings can be designated simply at the request of a landlord or member of the condo association board, without any formal association vote, or formal lease negotiation, or notice of any sort delivered to any tenant or owner.

Further, the lawsuit asserted the ordinance would subject potential Airbnb hosts to inspections by the city to see if any food or drinks are being provided to home-sharing guests.

And the lawsuit alleged the ordinance would deprive hosts of the ability to determine who is able to enter their homes and listed dwellings, by designating all such listings as “public accommodations,” subject to the gamut of anti-discrimination provisions within the city’s code.

“The right to exclude the outside world from one’s property and the right to permit invited guests of one’s own choosing onto that property are two sides of the same coin,” the lawsuit said. “By purporting to ban the ability of owners to host guests of their own choosing without prior permission from the government, the SHO takes away the essential property right of being able to host guests of one’s own choosing.”

Conversely, the lawsuit alleged, the ordinance in some ways transfers those property control rights to neighbors through various “hair-trigger” provisions, “empowering neighbors to shut down hosts by manufacturing ‘excessively loud noise’ complains based solely on the allegation of an audible sound coming from a shared home” and other ordinance violations.

The lawsuit also challenged the ordinance’s attempt to cap the number of home-sharing listings allowed per building, saying it is unconstitutional for the government to prohibit condo owners to list their homes on Airbnb and similar sites simply because others in their building already do. For instance, the SHO would prohibit more than one dwelling in a building with up to four dwellings from being listed on home-sharing sites, and would prohibit more than a quarter of units, up to a maximum of six, from being listed on the sites in a building with five units or more.

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Community meeting Nov. 28 over fate of parcels at Clark and Diversey

The Park West Community Assoc. will be hosting a community meeting 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 28, to review the proposed redevelopment of 2739-2747 N. Clark St. / 613-629 W. Diversey Pkwy. The meeting will be held at 2747 N Clark St., the site of the former Vitamin Shop.

The project includes three parcels covering approximately 19,000 square feet and will incorporate the existing one and two-

story structures on the site. The applicant proposes a two-story retail structure containing six tenant spaces and 30,000 square feet of commercial space.

Currently, the land is zoned B1-2, and the applicant is seeking a temporary zoning change to a C2-2 in order to construct the new building and preserve existing signage rights that are “grandfathered” into the existing structure.

Lincoln Ave. Corridor Plan community open house Nov. 29

The Lincoln Park Chamber of Commerce [LPCC] is hosting a community open house 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Nov. 29 at the Victory Gardens Biograph Theatre, 2433 N. Lincoln Ave., to review their Lincoln Ave. Corridor Plan recommendations provided by The Lakota Group, Goodman Williams Group and Sam Schwartz Engineering.

The LPCC’s Planning Committee will start the evening with a brief presentation highlighting some of the Corridor’s current challenges with their recommendations on

how to address these issues. After the presentation, attendees are invited to give their input on the preliminary planning concepts, designs and ideas which will assist in developing a list of priorities for the Corridor’s future.

This plan, funded through the Lincoln Avenue Special Service Area, will be used to guide improvements to this important corridor in the heart of Lincoln Park. RSVPs are requested -- but not required -- by calling 773-880-5200.

Letter to the Editor

Clark St. that not-so-great street

I often walk home from my downtown office to my Lakeview home. I recently noticed a situation—similar to one that I reported a few years go—that concerned and puzzled me. The one-mile corridor along Clark St. from Armitage Ave. to Diversey Pkwy. and the less than half mile from Clark St. to Sheridan Rd., had 48 street-level vacant storefronts with “for sale,” “for rent,” or “for lease” signs posted on them. I wondered how we should understand such a striking phenomenon.

A handful of those unoccupied spaces had signs indicating “coming soon.” Who, what, and when was uncertain.

In our challenged city how should we understand this? What products or services do you think are likely to be offered in those places?

While I don’t know why this situation exists, it seems to be a matter that needs attention.

Leon J. Hoffman, Lakeview East



Rendering of The Wabash Lights, an art project being installed under the elevated L tracks on Wabash Ave, in the Loop.

Money being raised to expand ‘Wabash Lights’ another two blocks

BY STEVEN DAHLMAN
Loop North News

The goal of 600 colorful lights beneath the L tracks on Wabash Ave. is getting closer with the launch of a second Kickstarter campaign. The plan is to extend The Wabash Lights for two blocks, for now, but according to a video uploaded to YouTube on Saturday, the lights, programmable to users of a smartphone app, will be “the biggest piece of public art in Chicago.”

Filmmaker Jack Newell and design strategist Seth Unger need to raise \$50,000. They are selling naming rights to some of the lights, either full four-foot fixtures or

one of 40 “pixels” that make up each light. As of Monday morning, the campaign has 135 backers and has raised \$12,000

A Kickstarter campaign last year raised \$59,480 to pay for the installation and testing of four 12’ LED fixtures between Monroe and Adams St. An additional \$25,000 came from the media company, Comcast.

“The project will transform an iconic piece of Chicago infrastructure into a canvas for a dynamic, interactive experience, serving as a catalyst for a re-energized Wabash Ave.,” say Newell and Unger in a statement.

To expand beyond two blocks, they figure they will need \$1.5 million.

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The Elves' Workshop Train, like the Holiday Train, will be festooned with thousands of colorful lights, garland, bows and festive winter scenes. This six-car train will follow the Holiday Train on Saturdays, the busiest days for Holiday Train riders – to help ensure everyone has an opportunity to enjoy this festive holiday experience and tradition.

The two trains will join a popular third CTA holiday offering—the CTA Holiday Bus, also decorated from top to bottom—which will begin operating as part of regular service on Tuesday, Nov. 29.

"The CTA Holiday Train and Bus are iconic Chicago traditions that are enjoyed by thousands every year," said CTA President Dorval R. Carter, Jr. "We're pleased

to expand on that strong Chicago tradition by offering the new Elves' Workshop Train, which will allow even more customers to experience this unique holiday happening."

The Holiday Train, Elves' Workshop Train and Holiday Bus will each be staffed by Santa's Elves who greet passengers with candy canes. The Holiday Train also features an open flat car carrying Santa and his sleigh. The Holiday Train will eventually run on all eight rail lines and the Holiday Bus will run on 13 bus routes throughout the city.

Customers can track the whereabouts of Santa and the Holiday Train and Bus by using CTA Train Tracker, which will feature a digital candy cane next to the estimated arrival time information, and the dedicated Holiday Bus Tracker available at transitchicago.com/holidaybustracker.

The Holiday Train, Elves' Workshop Train and Holiday Bus will make all stops along their scheduled routes. Normal CTA fares apply. Full schedules and more information is available on the CTA website: transitchicago.com/holiday.



New Joffrey Nutcracker will be set in 1893 Chicago World's Fair

The Joffrey Ballet has announced the artistic team for the world premiere production of The Nutcracker by Christopher Wheeldon, winner of the 2015 Tony Award for Best Choreography for the Broadway hit, An American in Paris.

The Nutcracker will be presented at the Joffrey's home venue, the historic Auditorium Theatre of Roosevelt Univ., 50 E. Congress Pkwy., in 27 performances, December 10-30. The announcement was made during a Nov. 18 press conference held on the Landmark Stage of the Auditorium Theatre.

Wheeldon reimagines the beloved holiday classic, The Nutcracker, for a new generation, replacing the traditional 19th century setting with Chicago's 1893 World's Fair.

"Great art takes time. Christopher has assembled a magnificent artistic team and together they are inventing a magical world

amongst the grand concourses of the White City," said Joffrey Artistic Director Ashley Wheater.

Wheeldon's choreography and the artistic team's designers will celebrate a turn-of-the-century Chicago as seen through a child's eyes. Set to Tchaikovsky's classic score, The Chicago Philharmonic will be conducted by Scott Speck, Music Director of The Joffrey Ballet.

The new production consists of 90 kids from Chicago and surrounding areas including some children who reside in Uptown, Lakeview and Lincoln Park.

Single tickets for The Nutcracker start at \$35 and can be purchased at The Joffrey Ballet's official Box Office located in the lobby of 10 E. Randolph St., as well as the Auditorium Theatre of Roosevelt Univ. Box Office, by telephone at 312-386-8905, or online at joffrey.org/nutcracker.



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Chicago is a great town for family Christmas traditions. And if you like fun family movies and great singalongs, then the long standing Christmas movie traditional at the Music Box should be on your list.

This year they are adding another classic movie. Titled “Miracle on Southport,” on Dec. 9, The Chicago Help Initiative [CHI] is sponsoring a screening of “Miracle on 34th Street” at the Music Box Theatre, 3733 N Southport Ave. The show benefits the CHI’s supper program – providing hot meals and life-changing resources to homeless individuals in downtown Chicago.

The CHI got the original 1947 movie (starring Natalie Wood, Maureen O’Hara,

and Edmund Gwenn), a great local choir to lead the sing along, a fabulous organist, a special guest appearance by Santa Claus (of course), holiday libations, and laughter.

Doors open at 6 p.m., with showtime and singalong starting at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$20, available at www.chicagohelpinitiative.org.

The event is open to the general public. For more information call 312-914-2138.

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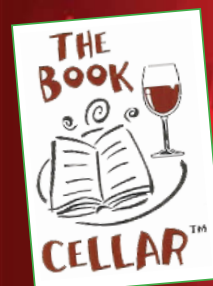
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Chicago handles its booze well on Blackout Wednesday

BY KEVIN HARMON

the nation’s most dangerously drunk cities. Chicago ranked fifth among the Top 10 of stone-cold sober cities, behind the rather obvious number one Salt Lake City, followed by Jersey City, New Jersey, New York and the Dallas suburb of Plano. Following Chicago in the Top 10 rankings are Miami, Boston, Virginia Beach, Newark and Bridgeport, Conn.

Blackout Wednesday in Chicago is perhaps a more popular partying night than even New Years Eve or St. Patrick’s Day. The crowds that pack bars for the evening often stay full until last call, and even then bouncers have trouble getting the customers out the door.

The methodology for the rankings: persons killed in alcohol-involved crashes per capita, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the death rate from alcoholic liver disease, percentage of people who are binge drinkers according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the number of DUI arrests per capita according to the FBI and the strength of various state DUI/DWI laws.

“I can see that people drink a lot here, but in my experience, it’s folks who tend to reward themselves for hard work at the end of the day with a beer or glass or wine or whatever,” said retired City Colleges of Chicago professor Will Wainwright, a Lincoln Park resident and frequenter of many a Lincoln Ave. watering hole. “But in some cases one drink can turn into 10, and unfortunately, people often don’t think about the ultimate consequences of their behavior until it’s too late.”

The Top 10 cities on the other end of the spectrum, those that according to Men’s Health routinely drink over the limit are: Bakersfield, CA, San Antonio, Stockton, CA, Cheyenne, WY, San Bernardino and Fresno, also in California, Billings, MT, Austin, St. Louis and Reno. With the exception of St. Louis, Cheyenne and Billings, these are all warm climate cities. Miami is the only city on the dogooders list that boosts excellent weather year round.

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“I would bet that has something to do with it,” Wainwright said. “The better the weather, the more people are out and drinking and driving.”

When asked what they thought of this, some local folks were surprised.


“The Chicago that I know has people that regularly do risky behavior as the result of drinking, then again I’m thinking about younger people that are not too far removed from college,” said Amanda Urban, a 23 year-old recent college graduate working as a marketing representative for a Lakeview online retail company. “I know people who regularly drink and drive, some who have gotten a DUI or DWI here and there and others that text and drive and talk on their phones and drive as the result of drinking. I think that the older people get, they get more responsible. At least, that is what I heard.”

Urban, who moved to Chicago after completing her degree from Arizona State, said something that others have echoed as it relates to the weather in Chicago. Places where the weather is nicer for longer stretches of the year, places like the California cities and Austin which ranks high in the Men’s Health poll, are cities that generally don’t handle their booze well, folks are more likely to get involved in alcoholic-related mischief.

“From what I can tell you don’t have people out and about as much in cities like Chicago that can have very harsh winters sometimes, compared to a place like San Bernardino,” she said. “I know kids who went to college in cold weather climates and their experience with drinking and being out and about was much different than mine at Arizona State, being in a warm, desert climate that was also known as a party school. I saw a lot of booze-related stuff in the Phoenix area as a whole.”

One Lincoln Park bar owner said positive recognition that comes from certain polls like the Men’s Health Magazine poll helps shed some of the negativity that the city gets sometimes.

“Chicago does have somewhat of a reputation as a city that drinks and goes crazy at times and I was surprised to hear about this,” said the Lincoln Ave. bar proprietor, who preferred to remain anonymous.



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Candy helped make Chicago America’s sweet spot

STORY AND PHOTOS
BY PATRICK BUTLER

Chicago may be the city of the Big Shoulders or Hog Butcher to the World, but it’s also been America’s candy maker, historian, author and actress Leslie Goddard recently reminded a packed auditorium at the Sulzer Regional Library, 4455 N. Lincoln Ave.

In fact, our town’s first candy factory opened the same year - 1837 - that Chicago officially became a city, Goddard told the Ravenswood/Lake View Historical Association’s members and guests.

It was a subject her audience had no problem sinking their teeth into.

“For much of its history, Chicago made a third of all the candy eaten in the U.S. In 1963, Chicago’s candy output was double that of its biggest rival at the time – New York,” she noted.

As late as 2000, there were 13,000 Chicagoans working in the candy industry. And that was actually down from an all-time high of 25,000 in the early 20th century, she said.

They left Chicago as labor and sugar prices grew due mostly to protectionist tariff’s embossed on imported sugar. The U.S. government intervenes in its sugar market to support domestic production of cane and beet sugar. The policy artificially supports U.S. domestic sugar prices above world and Canadian price levels, restricts imports and uses a special “re-export program” to encourage exports.

Why was Chicago the leading candy producing city? Like everything else it was location and resources. The candy makers came here because that was where both their customers and suppliers lived, and worked, Goddard explained.

Transportation played a big part of it too, as Chicago grew into America’s transportation hub that it remains still today. Raw materials were shipped in by rail and truck and finished candies were then shipped out on these same rails and wheels. As a degradable food product, time was essential in getting the finished product into the hands of the consumers as quickly as possible once it left the factories.

Even more remarkable are the number of candy brands from the 1920s and ‘30s that are still with us, she said, adding Cracker Jack (now produced in New Jersey) goes even further back – to the 1893 Columbian Exposition.

In fact, the Cracker Jack sailor boy – the grandson of the company’s founder – is still pictured on the package, Goddard said. And as of 2010, more than 23 billion prizes have been given out in Cracker Jack packages since the company started.

That corporate mascot is now buried in St. Henry’s cemetery at Ridge and Devon avenues with the same sailor boy image chiseled into his grave stone.

“And if you want to count gum as candy, just look at Wrigley’s success story, said Goddard, describing how one-time traveling salesman William Wrigley Jr. started out selling soap and giving his customers a free package of banking powder with each order.

more popular than the soap, so he started selling that and giving out free packages of gum,” Goddard said, adding “the gum proved so popular he eventually bought the gum company, which became the Wrigley Chewing Gum Company.”



Candy consumption by World War II American soldiers was about 50 pounds a year compared to today’s civilians, who eat about 15 to 22 pounds, author/historian Leslie Goddard told the Ravenswood/Lake View Historical Assoc.

Brand loyalty may be strongest in the candy industry as in any industry in America.

Over the next 60 years, she added, Wrigley sold his flagship brands Doublemint, Spearmint and Juicy Fruit at five cents a pack and made a fortune.

Enough so that he was able to build the Wrigley Building and “buy a major league baseball team that was in the news recently,” Goddard smiled.



Due to wartime needs for sugar and other ingredients, there wasn’t much chewing gum or candy produced for the homefront during World Wars I or II. But companies like Wrigley reminded customers they’d be back as soon as possible. In the meantime, everyone was reminded to “remember this wrapper.”

When it comes to candy or gum, she said, consumers like to stick with what they know, which is why so many of today’s popular brands have been around for decades.

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Snickers, for example, was created in Chicago in 1930 and “from the latest statistics I saw, 45% of Americans are still eating at least one Snickers bar a month,” she said.

Other top brands with strong, long-time loyal customers include Milky Way, Hershey’s, Reese’s, M&M, and Kit Kat.

Unfortunately, while Snickers, Cracker Jack, Wrigley gum, Baby Ruth, Mars Bars and the Three Musketeers are still with us, not all local candy makers fared so well, she said.

Peerless Confectioners at Lakewood and Schubert avenues – makers of peppermint, butterscotch and other hard candies - went belly up in early 2007 when it could no longer afford to buy



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sugar and didn’t want to relocate the business overseas, Goddard said.

After nearly 180 years, she added, it’s still a matter of “location, location, location!”

Chicago Shares’ grants bolster North Side non-profits

Chicago Shares has announced its 2016 grant recipients. Chicago Shares is a Chicago not-for-profit founded in 1993 that provides meals to the hungry through a voucher program.

Each year a certain percentage of the vouchers purchased are never redeemed, thus providing a reserve of funds from which grants are made.

Recently the organization announced that it is providing \$15,000 in grants to 10 Chicago area not-for-profits that subscribe to a “help-the-needy” mission.

Grant recipients have underscored that these grants are particularly welcome now as other resources including state and local funding continue to dwindle.

The 2016 grant recipients on the North Side include:

Lincoln Park Community Shelter, 600 W. Fullerton Pkwy.; Breakthrough, 402 N. Saint Louis Ave.; Care for Rea, 5339 N. Sheridan Rd.; Fourth Presbyterian Church, 126 E. Chestnut; Common Pantry, 3744 N. Damen; The Chicago Help Initiative, 440 N Wells St.; Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of Chicago, 721 N. LaSalle St., and Franciscan Outreach, 1645 W. LeMoyn.

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will be available to city residents, granting them access to City services, cultural institutions, programs, and other benefits. Mayor Emanuel mentioned this program as an example of how the City will work to ensure all residents have access to City services while underscoring Chicago’s commitment to remaining a Sanctuary City.

After the City’s ID card program was announced, Inside Publications contacted numerous city, county and state agencies. Many of these already provide official ID cards recognized by other government entities. All of the agency spokespersons said they were not yet sure how their individual agencies would work with a Chicago municipal ID card because so few details have been revealed.

“As a community member involved with the city’s municipal ID task force, I’m excited that the City is examining how a municipal ID can meaningfully improve the lives of Chicagoans. A successful Municipal ID in Chicago will provide better access and benefits to all Chicagoans,” said Dennis Mondero, Executive Director of the Chinese Mutual Aid Association and a member of the Mayor’s Municipal ID Working Group.

In 2015, Mayor Emanuel formed a working group comprised of people from different backgrounds and perspectives to explore whether a municipal ID program can work in Chicago and how it can be used to help under-

Years ago, the city council mandated Chicago banks must recognize consular identification cards issued by numerous foreign consulates. These cards already include a bearer’s local address and likely would not be at risk from an FBI or Immigrations subpoena.

served residents access essential City services.

As the program is designed and implemented, the City says they will determine specific features of the Chicago Municipal ID, which may include some form of universal recognition from City departments and agencies as proof of identity and residency.

The Mayor’s office says that the ID could also be used as a library card at Chicago Public Libraries and for discounts for recreation and entertainment, cultural institutions, and goods at partnering businesses and streamline access to financial or medical services.

But if one of the goals of the new municipal ID cards is to allow Chicago’s undocumented immigrants to open bank accounts; this may not seem to be necessary. Years ago, the city council mandated Chicago banks must recognize consular identification cards issued by numerous foreign consulates. These cards already include a bearer’s local address and likely would not be at risk from an FBI or Immigrations subpoena.

The Illinois Secretary of State already issues state identification cards, including those to the elderly (65 and over), the homeless, and those with disabilities. In the near future, the state’s identification cards and drivers’ licenses will be compliant with the federal government’s tamper-proof REAL ID program. Cards compliant with Real ID will be valid to serve as identification to board planes and also, to visit government offices.

Jim Allen, the spokesperson for the Chicago Board of Election said he was not sure if his office would accept a municipal ID card

for voter registration because too many questions remain.

“We have to evaluate it. It all depends on the details. We really have to take a wait-and-see-approach to see what is required by the clerk’s office to obtain a municipal ID card,” Allen said.

To register to vote in Illinois, if

one registers in-person; state law requires two forms of identification. At least one of these forms of identification must show a person’s current residence. Currently, accepted forms of identification include a valid Illinois driver’s license and state ID card. In Illinois, immigrants are already eligi-

ble to obtain a legal state driver’s license. These licenses are designated as temporary visitor drivers’ licenses.

The first phase of the program, which is now underway, will identify the scope of services to be provided under the ID program. This phase will also include outreach to financial, medical, and cultural institutions and local businesses that may serve as potential partners.



Bill and Shelley Farley with Cardinal Cupich in Rome.



A sea of red cardinal in Rome.

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ery; **Desiree Rogers** of Choose Chicago and **Rocco Claps**, Director of the Illinois Dept. of Human Rights.

MOLTO DELICIOSO: Hottest invitation in Rome was Chicago **Mayor Rahm Emanuel’s** reception for **Cardinal Cupich** at the U.S. Embassy over near the Via Veneto.

BIENVENUTTI: We hear that members of **Cardinal Cupich’s** Nebraska Family will be having a holiday post Red Hat at Chicago Restaurateur **Phil Stephani’s** country spread in Lucca, in heavenly Tuscany while in Italy.

GIFTS FROM THE GRAVE:

So Shakespearian. The couple originally were to keep things moving as the election crowds dwindled and close up time approached. They had the lights low. Too low. And they found a secluded spot at the back. But no one said anything about the polling place burlesque revue like something found in Mont Matre. The story is not finished.

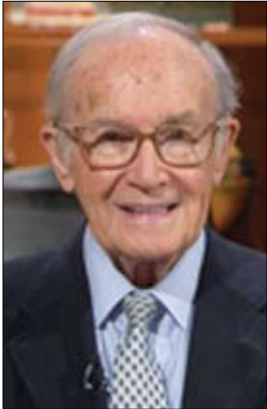
THE VAST WASTELAND: President **Barack Obama** announced Wednesday former WTTW Chairman **Newton Minnow** will receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom. His legions of friends are delighted.

CADDISH BEHAVIOR: Has a Brahman billionaire incurred the wrath of society, especially wives in a very fancy suburb, by divorcing his wife

of many, many years

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WIND BENEATH MY WINGS: Word is all over town now that **Shaun Rajah** was a smash hit last week at Davenport’s on Milwaukee Ave. He had the overflow crowd in the palm of his golden hand with a smooth and easy style that massaged the audience nostalgically. And having the partnering of the lovely **Denise Tomasello** just lifted everything to new heights. This was such a



Newt Minnow to receive Presidential Medal of Freedom.

fabulous sound. We are all feeling that wind.

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FATHER CORKY REPORTING: (Rome) “At the invitation of **Monsignor Michael Boland**, the head of Catholic Charities of Chicago, and my good friend and classmate **Fr. Jerry Boland**, I joined members of the Charities board, the Director of Finance, and the head of the Archdiocesan Bank for dinner at Tucci’s in the Piazza Navona. The “guest of honor” was

Joan Lewis (of Loyola’s Lewis Tower, Lewis family) who has worked in the Vatican for decades, and who currently works for EWTN radio. As we were ending dinner who strolled by but **Cardinal-elect Cupich**. In the photo he is in the center. It was a wonderful night out, and quite a full day.” (**Fr. Bill Corcoran**)

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Defendants.
CASE NO. 16 CH 14104
537 North Central Avenue, Unit A, Chicago, Illinois 60644
Otto Calendar 61
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The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Angela Winder, Austin Townhouse Association, and UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit: PARCEL 1: ALL THAT PART (EXCEPT THE SOUTH 37.50 FEET THEREOF) OF A TRACT OF

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Plaintiff,
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Defendants
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kilowatt solar electric system, along with some other parcels of vacant land or parking canopy within the city.

Although community solar is a relatively new idea, states such as Colorado and Minnesota already have established community solar programs, said Hessel, adding that Cook County officials are pushing to make community solar work locally.

The CCDEC rolled out the Solar Market Pathways project last year, planning to develop five to seven demonstration sites to jumpstart community solar. The project received a federal coopera-

“Did you see her delivery fee?” exclaimed Suzanna Chereskin, who was among the five visitors in Elkins’ house that afternoon. “Mine was like over \$100.”

tive award of \$1.2 million from the U.S. Dept. of Energy.

“The current project is to study community solar, not implement it. However, some locations, once identified as good community solar candidates, may make the investment in community solar in the next year or two,” said Becky Schlikerman, spokeswoman for the CCDEC.

Community solar not only benefits consumers for lowering the cost of entry to clean electricity

with economies of scale, but also helps utilities mitigate peak demand to distress their system, and meet state’s mandates for renewable energy, Schlikerman said.

But, if the community solar is that good, why isn’t it more popular here?

“There are things that we need to work out on the policy level to make sure that people are able to participate in that [community solar] program,” Hessel said. The rules and the ways that utilities

charge for the electricity have not yet been established, she explained.

Illinois’ first and only community solar project is located in Elizabeth, a village located in northwestern Illinois. It had 25 subscribers as of March last year.

The reason it works is that the host company, Jo-Carroll Energy, a cooperative utility, is not restricted by the same regulatory framework as ComEd, an investor-owned utility, according to Cook County’s State of Community Solar Report.

Those who already benefitted from solar energy boast about their decisions.

“I really don’t have one bad

thing to say about having gone through the [installation] process,” said Helen Cameron, who has 24 solar panels at home and five solar thermal panels at her restaurant, Uncommon Ground on Devon Ave.

“It does require a certain level of understanding and educating so you can make a good decision from whatever system that you want,” she said. “Make a good choice based on what you’ve learned, who you’ve met, and who you will feel most comfortable working with.”

Consider that advice, if clean energy interests you.

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NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. PARCEL 2: THE EAST 60.50 FEET OF THE WEST 266.00 FEET OF THE NORTH 8.00 FEET OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF A TRACT DESCRIBED AS THE EAST 349.00 FEET OF THE WEST 1, 187.00 FEET OF LOT 2 IN PARTITION OF LOTS 1, 10 AND 11 IN ASSESSOR'S DIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTHWEST FRACTIONAL 1/4 OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Commonly known as 7527 N. BELL AVENUE, Chicago, IL 60645

Property Index No. 11-30-307-116 & 11-30-307-125.

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$233,621.53.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in AS IS condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, 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).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: POTESTIVO & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 223 WEST JACKSON BLVD, STE 610, Chicago, IL 60606, (312) 263-0003 Please refer to file number C15-22542.

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

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR FREMONT HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-E, MORTGAGE-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-E

Plaintiff, -v- ARTHUR L. WELLS, BARBARA ANN KOENIG WELLS Defendants 1 : 13 CV 1244 3608 N. NOTTINGHAM AVENUE Chicago, IL 60634 JUDGE Sharon Johnson Coleman

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL COMMISSIONER'S SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on April 7, 2014, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, Special Commissioner appointed herein, will at 10:30 AM on December 20, 2016, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF LOT 5 IN BLOCK 11 IN W. F. KAISER AND COMPANY'S ADDISON HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE NORTH WEST 1/4 OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 3608 N. NOTTINGHAM AVENUE, Chicago, IL 60634

Property Index No. 13-19-128-031.

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$478,960.02.

Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in AS IS condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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E-Mail: lileadings@potevistolaw.com Attorney File No. C14-95869 Case Number: 1 : 13 CV 1244 TJSC#: 36-12955

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13 CV 1244

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-12

Plaintiff, -v- CATERINA MAR, MARCO MAR, COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.

Defendants 13 CH 21006 5402 NORTH MOBILE AVENUE Chicago, IL 60630

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 20, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 21, 2016, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: LOT 22 IN BLOCK 8 IN KINSEY'S FOREST GARDENS NUMBER 2, A SUBDIVISION IN THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 5, AND THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 13, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 5402 NORTH MOBILE AVENUE, Chicago, IL 60630

Property Index No. 13-06-109-038-0000.

The real estate is improved with a single unit dwelling.

The judgment amount was \$534,851.67.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by cer-

tified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in AS IS condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: WEISS MCCLELLAND LLC, 105 WEST ADAMS STREET, SUITE 1850, Chicago, IL 60603, (312) 605-3500 Please refer to file number 11-2101.

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Attorney File No. 11-2101 Case Number: 13 CH 21006 TJSC#: 36-12156

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13 CH 21006

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWABS, INC., REPERFORMING LOAN REMIC TRUST CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2003-R4

Plaintiff, -v- SHEILA A. DIXON A/K/A SHEILA DIXON, SUPERVISED EXECUTOR, CITICORP TRUST BANK, FSB F/K/A CITICORP TRUST BANK, FSB, SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF JAMES JORDAN, IF ANY, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

Defendants 10 CH 12219 1529 NORTH WALLER AVE Chicago, IL 60651

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 20, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 21, 2016, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: LOT 24 IN BLOCK 2 IN MILLS AND SONS SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTH-EAST 1/4 OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 39 NORTH, RANGE 13, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, (EXCEPT THE NORTH 191 FEET) IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 1529 NORTH WALLER AVE, Chicago, IL 60651

Property Index No. 16-05-206-013-0000.

The real estate is improved with a single unit dwelling.

The judgment amount was \$185,895.43.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer,

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For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: WEISS MCCLELLAND LLC, 105 WEST ADAMS STREET, SUITE 1850, Chicago, IL 60603, (312) 605-3500 Please refer to file number IL-002201.

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E-Mail: intake@wmlegal.com Attorney File No. IL-002201

Attorney Code. 56284 Case Number: 10 CH 12219

TJSC#: 36-11408 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.

10 CH 12219

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

Plaintiff, -v-

CHARLES TAYLOR A/K/A CHARLES K. TAYLOR, ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, CHERYL TAYLOR, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

Defendants 16 CH 06279

1537 N. LONG AVENUE Chicago, IL 60651

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on August 11, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 20, 2016, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: LOTS 14 AND 15 IN BLOCK 2 IN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 39 NORTH, RANGE 13, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 1537 N. LONG AVENUE, Chicago, IL 60651

Property Index No. 16-04-104-011-0000 & 16-04-104-012-0000.

The real estate is improved with a multi-family residence.

The judgment amount was \$312,023.04.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or

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For information, contact DAVID T. COHEN, DAVID T. COHEN & ASSOCIATES, 10729 WEST 159TH STREET, ORLAND PARK, IL 60467, (708) 460-7711

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Attorney Code. 25602 Case Number: 16 CH 06279

TJSC#: 36-9958

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF Master Participation Trust

Plaintiff, vs.

Sherry L. Donnelly aka Sherry Donnelly; Unifund CCR Partners; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants

Defendants. CASE NO. 16 CH 13668

2431 North Rockwell Street Chicago, Illinois 60647

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

The requisite af-

fidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Sherry L. Donnelly aka Sherry Donnelly, and UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above-

entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit: LOT 18 AND

THE SOUTH 1/2 OF LOT 19 IN BLOCK 20 IN ALBERT CROSBY'S AND OTHERS' SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH EAST 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 13, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

P.I.N.: 13-25-428-008-0000

Said property is commonly known as 2431 North Rockwell Street, Chicago, Illinois 60647, and which said mortgage(s) was/were made by Sherry L. Donnelly and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 0600335142 and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending.

NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Cook County on or before DECEMBER 9, 2016 a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint.

This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Steven C. Lindberg ANSELMO LINDBERG OLIVER LLC 1771 W. Diehl Rd., Ste 120 Naperville, IL 60563-4947

630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-428-4620 (fax) Attorney No. Cook 58852, DuPage 293191, Kane 031-26104,

Peoria 1794, Winnebago 3802, IL 03126232 foreclosure@ALOLawGroup.com

THIS LAW FIRM IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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Holiday Art Contest for Local High School Students

Inside Publications is once again holding our annual holiday art contest for high school students.

Students should draw an 8 1/2-x-11-inch vertical ink black and white drawing of a North Side landmark with a holiday twist. The student’s name, age, telephone number, high school name, and year in school should be on the back, not front, of each drawing.

Past winning examples include a tomb at Graceland Cemetery wrapped in holiday lights; Lincoln Square’s Abe Lincoln statue in a Santa outfit with a bag of toys; Cloud Gate [the Bean] festooned in a giant bow reflecting a holiday scene, the Picasso sculpture at the Daley Plaza wearing a Santa hat; Santa’s elves feverishly working on the Marshall Field’s clock, and Santa’s sleigh flying over the Sulzer Library. Originality counts!

We want hand-drawn illustrations, sorry but computer gener-

ated artwork is not eligible. The first place drawing will grace the cover of Inside’s holiday issues for the News Star, Skyline and Inside Booster community newspapers and the winning artist will receive \$100 cash.

Drawings by runners up will be published on inside pages of the newspaper, too and receive cash prizes.

Inside Publications covers the North Side publishing the Skyline, News Star and Inside Booster newspapers which is why we request a North Side landmark be used. The general boundaries are the Loop north to Howard St. and from The Chicago River east to the lakefront.

Mail or bring the students’ drawings to: Inside Publications, Holiday Art Contest, 6221 N. Clark St. Chicago, IL 60660 so they are received by noon Wednesday, Dec. 14. If you have any questions, call 773-465-9700. Thanks for participating.

	Rogers	Uptown	Lincoln Park	Lake View	North Center	Near North	LincSq	Loop	Edgewater
Homicide	-50%	-75%	0	0	-100%	1	-67%	0%	0%
Shoolings	-27%	56%	1	150%	2	125%	-55%	3	-20%
Crim Sexual Assault	62%	0%	125%	-29%	0%	75%	-20%	188%	133%
Robbery	79%	6%	44%	58%	30%	37%	30%	81%	65%
Agg Batter (not shooting)	31%	59%	-13%	24%	0%	54%	67%	7%	0%
VIOLENT CRIME	46%	15%	42%	34%	25%	50%	20%	61%	44%
Arson	50%	1	150%	50%	0	-50%	125%	-100%	0%
Burglary	27%	-8%	54%	115%	5%	10%	-4%	17%	43%
Motor vehicle theft	-3%	-11%	45%	17%	23%	62%	26%	50%	86%
Theft	7%	30%	4%	-7%	-19%	15%	8%	32%	6%
Narcotics	-55%	-54%	-44%	-46%	-26%	-54%	-31%	-6%	-25%
ALL CRIME	3%	2%	11%	10%	-4%	15%	7%	26%	11%

A screenshot of the spreadsheet showing year over year changes by each community area in several crime categories.

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saw the smallest increase in our study, with 15% more violent crime. The Loop has seen crime jump 26% overall this year, the most of any area. Near North is up 15%. Lincoln Park and Edgewater have both seen 11% overall crime increases.

While crime in any neighborhood is unacceptable, says Ald. Reilly, it is a challenge downtown, where much of the city’s tourism tax dollars come from. He says organizations such as Choose Chicago that promote the city must compete with headlines about violent crime.

“We are playing a bit of a tug-of-war across 50 wards for very limited, finite amount of police resource. So, it’s my hope that [by] prioritizing public safety in this year’s budget and hopefully in subsequent budgets, we can get the police force to a level where we need it to be.”

Some of the decline has been

caused by the City’s failure to replace officers who’ve left the department or transferred to other districts.

One very serious consequence of the manpower shortage means that there are times when some Police District quite literally have no police officers available to handle emergency calls. Weekend overnights are particularly bad times to be in need of the police.

This happens on a fairly regular basis. In fact, it happens so often, the department has established an official acronym for those times when no cops are available. They call them “RAP’s,” which stands for Radio Assignments Pending.

Police sources who spoke with this newspaper consistently pointed to two reasons for the crime increase: A sharp reduction in proactive street stops by officers and an overall reduction in aggressive policing as officers ensure that they do not become the next cop to be caught on viral video.

The first signs of trouble came

early this year when the Chicago Police Dept. began requiring officers to complete a two-page “Investigatory Stop Report” (ISR) whenever they stop a person on the street.

ISRs take nearly 30 minutes to complete, a patrol officer said, far more than the index card-sized “contact card” that the department previously used to track street stops.

Officers have been told that ISRs are being reviewed by a retired federal judge, as well as lawyers for civil rights groups, in a process that many proactive cops believe is a witch hunt.

“They’re looking to make examples out of people,” one patrol officer in the 24th District said.

Narcotics arrests, one of the most common arrests to stem from street stops, are down 47% this year citywide.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION CHRISTIANA TRUST, A DIVISION OF WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT AS TRUSTEE OF ARLP TRUST 3 Plaintiff, - v. - SANDEEP P. CHOPDE, RESHMA BALIGA CHOPDE, KINZIE STATION CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants 15 CH 016554

330 N. JEFFERSON STREET UNIT #1004 CHICAGO, IL 60661 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 22, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 27, 2016, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 330 N. JEFFERSON STREET UNIT #1004, CHICAGO, IL 60661 Property Index No. 17-09-302-011-1060, Property Index No. 17-09-302-011-1250. 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 Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g) (1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-15-14199. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Plaintiff, - v. - WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, NEWBERRY PLAZA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF CHARLES J. AMSTER, SIDNEY AMSTER, GERALD NORDGREN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR CHARLES J. AMSTER (DECEASED) Defendants 16 CH 004534 1030 N. STATE UNIT #30B 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 September 15, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 27, 2016, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 1030 N. STATE UNIT #30B, CHICAGO, IL 60610 Property Index No. 17-04-424-051-1082. 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 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. Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, 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

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is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g) (1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-15-14295 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Attorney Code. 21762 Case Number: 16 CH 004534 TJSC#: 36-11569 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. 1707950

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE TO MERRILL LYNCH MORTGAGE INVESTORS TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-HE1 Plaintiff, - v. - DONNA E. BINGHAM A/K/A DONNA BINGHAM A/K/A DONNA WEIR, MUSEUM TOWER RESIDENCES II CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, MUSEUM TOWER RESIDENCES CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS Defendants 15 CH 10085 1335 SOUTH PRAIRIE AVENUE, UNIT 402 Chicago, IL 60605 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on July 6, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on December 15, 2016, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 1335 SOUTH PRAIRIE AVENUE, UNIT 402, Chicago, IL 60605 Property Index No. 17-22-110-114-1002; 17-22-110-114-1339; 17-22-110-114-1424. The real estate is improved with a single family residence. The judgment amount was \$996,566.27. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction

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thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, contact The sales clerk, SHAPIRO KREISMAN & ASSOCIATES, LLC, 2121 WAUKEGAN RD., SUITE 301, Bannockburn, IL 60015, (847) 291-1717 For information call between the hours of 1pm - 3pm fax number 312-372-4398 Please refer to file number 15-07607. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. SHAPIRO KREISMAN & ASSOCIATES, LLC 2121 WAUKEGAN RD., SUITE 301 Bannockburn, IL 60015 (847) 291-1717 Fax #: (312) 372-4398 E-Mail: ILNotices@logs.com Attorney File No. 15-07607 Attorney Code. 42168 Case Number: 15 CH 10085 TJSC#: 36-13108 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. 1707893

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION DITECH FINANCIAL LLC Plaintiff, - v. - AHMET SAMARXHIU, MIRANDA SAMARXHIU, C.A.D. CONTRACT GLAZING, INC., BROOKWOOD BUILDERS, INC., WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION, THE RESIDENCES AT THE JOFFREY TOWER CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION Defendants 12 CH 03733 8 E. Randolph St., Unit 2205 Chicago, IL 60601 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 14, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on

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December 9, 2016, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 8 E. Randolph St., Unit 2205, Chicago, IL 60601 Property Index No. 17-10-305-011-1093. The real estate is improved with a residential condominium. The judgment amount was \$565,111.44. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719 If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney, THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. 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. 1707620

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION LOANDEPOT.COM, LLC Plaintiff, - v. - PAMELA GAYATIN; RON GAYATIN; JASON

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HOUSE; TOWNHOMES ON WABASH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants, 15 CH 14382 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, December 13, 2016 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. 17-22-106-098-0000. Commonly known as 26 East 14th Place, Unit 2W, Chicago, Illinois 60605. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a townhouse 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, Anselmo Lindberg Oliver LLC, 1771 West Diehl Road, Naperville, Illinois 60563-1890, (630) 453-6960. For Bidding instructions visit www.fal-illinois.com 24 hours prior to sale. F 15 0 8 0 1 7 7 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer, (312) 444-1122 1707394

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Plaintiff, - v. - DANIEL W. TARPEY; 1729 NORTH SHEFFIELD CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants, 10 CH 42449 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 Friday, December 16, 2016 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. 14-32-423-002-0000 (old); 14-32-423-003-0000 (old); 14-32-423-061-1003 (new). Commonly known as 1729 North Sheffield Avenue Unit 2A, Chicago, Illinois 60614. 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, Anselmo Lindberg Oliver LLC, 1771 West Diehl Road, Naperville, Illinois 60563-1890. (630) 453-6960. For Bidding instructions visit www.fal-illinois.com 24 hours prior to sale. W 1 0 0 9 0 1 3 8 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer, (312) 444-1122 1707425

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Chicago’s solar opportunities grow

Who doesn’t like a \$4.92 ComEd bill?

STORY AND PHOTO BY
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Listening to people talk about the beauty of having solar as their energy source, you might have your doubts.

When do you earn back your initial investment, how do you pay for the high upfront cost and what if you don’t have a house?

If you know about the incentives and a newly-developed idea of sharing solar energy, going solar could be an option for many on the North Side.

The image of solar energy got a boost recently when home and business owners in more than 130 sites across Illinois opened their doors to the public in this year’s Illinois Solar Tour.

“You can see that our solar panels covered 100% of our electricity usage,” said Lisa Elkins, an architect who lives in a two-floor condo with her husband Ron Elkins and their two daughters in Lincoln Park.

She only needed to pay \$4.92 on her ComEd bill for electric use over the period of Aug. 9 to Sept. 8.

Her bill benefitted from a reduction in delivery fees and lower taxes and fees because the electricity generated by the 14 solar panels on her rooftop surpassed the overall electricity consumption.



Uncommon Ground’s five solar thermal panels on the restaurant’s rooftop farm provide about 10% of its overall energy needs.

“Did you see her delivery fee?” exclaimed Suzanna Chereskin, who was among the five visitors in Elkins’ house that afternoon. “Mine was like over \$100.”

The Elkins installed the solar panels that each has a capacity of 3.9-kilowatt back in 2012. With federal tax credits, state rebates, and discounts from their manufacturers in place, the upfront cost of installing the system was massively reduced from \$35,000 to \$6,500, they said.

They expect the cost of the installation to be paid off this year or next year. The average number of years to recoup the cost of an installation depends on several factors such as the capacity of solar panels, and how much incen-

tives you get.

The Solar Investment Tax Credit is a 30% federal tax credit on residential and utility and commercial properties, which was implemented in 2006, and will be extended to 2023 with a different amount of reduction rate over time, according to the Solar Energy Industries Assoc. (SEIA).

Unfortunately, the state of Illinois’ ratepayer rebate program is currently broken due to the state’s financial deadlock. As a result, there’s no funding within the program now. Just last year, the rebate for homeowners setting up solar panels was up to \$10,000 or 25% of project costs.

Although the state rebate is not available now, consumers could

still find funding elsewhere.

Illinois currently has 79 federal, state, city-level and utilities’ financial incentives on energy efficiency and renewable energy, including programs like a tax credit, rebate, loan, grant and bond, according to DSIRE, a project funded by the U.S. Dept. of Energy.

In fact, the average installed cost per watt of solar electricity has fallen from over \$9 in 2000 to about \$3 in 2014, and it continues to fall, according to SEIA’s report.

The report also showed other positive results. The nation’s solar installation capacity has its record-breaking year in 2015, and increased 16% from 2014. Among the solar markets, California,

North Carolina, Nevada, Massachusetts and New York seized the top five, while Illinois was the 26th.

Chicago has seen a little boost in solar installation last year as the city government’s bulk-purchase program began in 2014. Around 2,100 residential and commercial property owners registered with the program, which allowed property owners to buy solar panels and other gear at a discount, the city’s former chief sustainability officer, Karen Weigert, explained to Crain’s Chicago Business last year.

However, even with financial support, switching to solar could be a hard decision for renters, residents without access to rooftops, or those whose houses do not get much sunlight.

Yet there’s a solution for them.


Community solar allows people to subscribe to some solar panels at a host site, and that subscription would accumulate into a mid-sized installation.

“I think there’s a lot of potential for that in Chicago,” said McLena Hessel, a policy advocate at the Chicago-based Environmental Law and Policy Center, adding that there’s a large number of people who could benefit from community solar.

Under a Cook County Dept. of Environmental Control [CCDEC] study, 45,000 rooftops in Chicago are suitable to host at least a 25-

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