

3rd Annual

Fundraising Gala

October 27, 2023 | Donald E. Stephens Convention Center 5555 N River Rd, Rosemont, IL



EVENT PROGRAM

A POLICE OFFICER'S Prayer

Lord, I ask for courage, Courage to face and conquer my own fears, Courage to take me where others will not go. I ask for strength, Strength of body to protect others, Strength of spirit to lead others. I ask for dedication, Dedication to my job to do it well, **Dedication to my community to keep it safe.** Give me Lord, concern, For all those who trust me, And compassion for those who need me. And please, Lord, through it all, be at my side.



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6:00 PM	Registration Opens
6:30 PM	Cocktail Reception
7:30 PM	Chicago Police Honor Guard, Chicago Police Department Pipes & Drums
7:45 PM	National Anthem sung by Wayne Messmer followed by prayer
7:50 PM	Welcome address by Masters of Ceremonies FOX 32 News Anchor Anita Padilla and FOX 32 Sports Anchor Lou Canellis
8:00 PM	Welcome address by Mayor Brad Stephens
8:05 PM	Prayer by Father Tom McCarthy
8:10 PM	Dinner is served!
8:30 PM	Introduction to Bank The Blue and Founders, honorable mention of our Presenting Sponsor
8:35 PM	Bank The Blue Impact Video
8:45 PM	Live Auction!
9:30 PM	Dancing begins!



About Bank the Blue

ENDING THE STIGMA OF SEEKING MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT

BANK THE BLUE is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that was launched in March 2020.

OUR MISSION is to provide funding and access for mental health services to Illinois law enforcement officers dealing with multiple psychosocial stressors both on and off the job. Our fundraising efforts are implemented in partnership with police officer training programs and certified, culturally competent clinicians who specialize in treatments oriented for the unique needs of Law Enforcement Officers.

Now, more than ever, many police officers struggle with mental health issues due to their constant exposure to violent and traumatic situations; local departments alone cannot meet their dire needs. Bank the Blue is determined to fill this gap. According to mental health experts, the rate for post-traumatic stress disorder and depression among police officers is five times higher than that of the civilian population and often goes untreated.

According to the U.S. Department of Justice's 2017 report, Chicago's police suicide rate is 60 percent higher than the national law enforcement average. We need healthy and engaged law enforcement officers working in partnership with the communities they serve.

Recognizing that seeking outside mental health treatment can be daunting, Bank the Blue streamlined the process and made access to respected providers simple. Bank the Blue partnered with field experts to provide extensive, certified training programs. They provide officers with a variety of ways to approach difficult and/or stressful situations.

Bank the Blue is counting on the support of generous donors, including individuals and businesses, to join us in ensuring these front-line workers have access to the care they desperately need. Contributions to Bank the Blue are tax deductible to the fullest extent permitted by law.

> BANK THE BLUE SAFEGUARDS ALL OFFICERS' PRIVACY AND CONFIDENTIALITY AT ALL TIMES.



2022-2023 Achievements & Stats

Here's What We're Doing To Help End the Stigma



We fully fund confidential mental health services through our culturally competent and fully vetted Clinicians who specialize in treatment strategies for first responders.



We train retired Police Officers to make roll call visits to police departments across Illinois to raise awareness about Bank The Blue's available resources.



We fully fund training programs for active Illinois Law Enforcement Officers that help identify and address red flags and questionable behavior before negative outcomes occur.



We collaborate with local police departments and police unions to raise awareness of Bank the Blue's services, resources and mission.



We funded a 5-day Copline® active listener training for a class of retired law enforcement officers.

BANK THE BLUE STATS FOR 2022-2023

IL OFFICERS CURRENTLY RECEIVING TREATMENT

THERAPY SESSIONS **CURRENTLY SCHEDULED**

LAW ENFORCEMENT **AGENCIES REACHED**

IL OFFICERS TRAINED IN THE FATAL 10 **FACTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT SUICIDES**

IL RETIRED OFFICERS TRAINED TO MAKE **ROLL CALL VISITS**



A MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDERS

On behalf of the Bank the Blue Founders & Board of Directors, we would like to thank everyone in attendance tonight at our Third Annual Gala and for supporting Bank the Blue's mission.

This evening is meant to show our Illinois law enforcement officers that the community overwhelmingly supports them and recognizes the unique trauma law enforcement is exposed to daily. By gathering here this evening, we are collectively showing Illinois officers that their mental health matters.

It's been a busy year for Bank the Blue! Since our Second Fundraising Gala last October, we began to really see our vision in motion. We have ten, fully vetted, culturally competent clinicians participating in our confidential referral program. Bank the Blue is currently fully funding treatment for 39 Illinois law enforcement officers through our program and over 350 therapy sessions are currently scheduled.

Bank the Blue fully funded Dr. Olivia Johnson's presentment of the Fatal 10 of Law Enforcement Suicide for over 1,000 Illinois law enforcement officers from over 47 different agencies at the local, county, state, and federal levels. The feedback received from this program was nothing short of spectacular.

In 2023, Bank the Blue's Ambassador Program trained over 25 retired Illinois Officers to attend roll call visits to spread awareness of Bank the Blue's resources and programs.

Bank The Blue attended multiple police outings and conferences. All of these events provided us an opportunity to network with law enforcement agencies and nonprofits from across the state but also to connect with officers directly.

All of the above has only been achieved because of the generous support of our corporate sponsors, attendees, ambassadors, and volunteers. Thank you again to all of you! We are delighted with Bank the Blue's achievements in 2023. But, there is much more work to be done. We are excited to see what our 2024 achievements hold. Let's continue to change lives together!

With Gratitude,

Kelly A. Krauchun | Karmin Daniel | Anthony Varchetto | Jeffrey Salvetti | Daniel Q. Herbert **BANK THE BLUE FOUNDERS**

MEET THE FOUNDERS



JEFFREY T. SALVETTI

Vice President of Finance & Founder, Blue Star Security Retired K-9 Officer, Chicago Police Department

ANTHONY F. VARCHETTO

President & Founder, Blue Star Security Retired Sergeant, Chicago Police Department's DEA Task Force

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President, The Herbert Law Firm Retired Police Officer, Chicago Police Department

KARMIN DANIEL

President, Big Mouth Marketing



Karmin Daniel President, Big Mouth Marketing

Karmin Daniel is the founder and CEO of Big Mouth Marketing, a community-based Chicago marketing agency founded in 2015. Karmin began her career in retail then transitioned to the moving industry, where she designed and executed an innovative business model that elevated her moving company to the most successful of its kind in Chicago.

A powerhouse of knowledge in digital and experiential marketing, Karmin's expertise in relationship marketing offers a unique approach to helping businesses develop their brands. At the core of her business model is a strong belief in the importance and value of helping others.

Karmin's involvement in philanthropy and charitable organizations is extensive. She has established collaborative marketing partnerships with numerous organizations, including PAWS Chicago, the Anthony Rizzo Family Foundation, the Charles Tillman Cornerstone Foundation, Susan G. Komen Chicago, iF Charities and Gridiron Greats Assistance Fund.

Her most recent partnership is with the Cook County State's Attorney's Office, in which she oversees the marketing for the annual Regional Organized Crime Task Force Conference (CCROC). The CCROC Task Force was created in an unprecedented multi-jurisdictional effort to enhance the investigation and prosecution of large-scale organized retail theft and fencing. Karmin's passion for community outreach has rendered her a leader in her community with a vast network of high-profile connections.



Kelly A. Krauchun Litigation Attorney,

Rock Fusco & Connelly, LLC

Kelly Krauchun is an attorney at Rock Fusco & Connelly, LLC and is one who cares about her clients and her community. Her professional and personal philosophy includes giving back in ways that make a meaningful difference. As an associate for RFC, Kelly demonstrates that same care in the general litigation group, representing clients in numerous matters including commercial litigation, employment litigation, defense litigation, insurance coverage, and appeals.

Prior to joining RFC and while at the Herbert Law Firm, Kelly served as lead counsel in numerous jury trials and has extensive experience litigating a wide range of cases in state and federal courts and before various administrative agencies. Her broad experience enables her to advocate effectively for her others.

Kelly earned her B.A. and Juris Doctorate from DePaul University where she received numerous awards, including the Benjamin Hooks Distinguished Public Service Award, the President's Award for Service, the Kott Legal Scholarship, and the Dean's Merit Scholarship. As a law student, she clerked at the Cook County State's Attorney's Office, externed for the Honorable Anne M. Burke of the Illinois Supreme Court, served as a Pro Se Advocate at the Cook County Domestic Violence Courthouse, participated in DePaul's Criminal Appeals and Asylum and Immigration Clinics, and interned at the Center for Disability and Elder Law (CDEL).

As a Co-Founder of Bank the Blue, NFP, Kelly uses her advocacy and communication skills to serve the law enforcement community. She is a long-time advocate and volunteer for non-profit organizations and is committed to using her skills to help others.



Anthony F. Varchetto

President & Founder Blue Star Security "A Protos Company"

Retired Sergeant Chicago Police Department

Anthony F. Varchetto is the Co-Founder and President of Blue Star Security "A Protos Company". He has over 20 years of high-level experience in law enforcement. In January 2022, he retired from his role as a Sergeant with the Chicago Police Department's Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) task force to focus his efforts on continuing the growth of the business.

Over the course of his extensive law enforcement and private security career, which included assignments to specialized units such as gang, tactical, and the organized crime narcotics division, Anthony has developed expertise in risk assessments, investigations, and supply chain security. He is a licensed private security contractor and private detective in Illinois, Wisconsin, and Indiana and holds a bachelor's degree in Public Safety Management from Calumet College of St. Joseph.

As President of Blue Star Security, a private security agency that employs over 850 active and retired law enforcement officers, Anthony oversees the company's daily field operations as well as administrative tasks, including licensing, insurance, and compliance procedures. He believes in building trusted client relationships and communicates regularly with all clients to ensure that they're consistently receiving the finest security services.

MEET THE FOUNDERS



Jeffrey T. Salvetti

Vice President of Finance & Founder Blue Star Security "A Protos Company"

Retired K-9 Officer Chicago Police Department

Jeffrey T. Salvetti is the Co-Founder and Vice President of Blue Star Security. Jeff was born and raised in Chicago, attended Notre Dame High School in Niles and graduated from DePaul University in 2000. In 2005, Jeff joined the Chicago Police Department and was assigned to the 25th District where he worked for 12 years before being assigned to the Canine Unit. Jeff is a licensed private security contractor and licensed private detective in the state of Illinois.

In January 2020, he retired from the Chicago Police Department after 15 years of service to focus his efforts on continuing the growth of Blue Star Security.

As Vice President of Blue Star Security, Jeff oversees all back office and financial operations for the company. Jeff's daily duties include maintaining and analyzing the general ledger, ensuring the integrity and accuracy of account reconciliations and financial statements, managing the annual insurance audit, analyzing balance sheets and income statements, handling payroll, and providing financial support to various Blue Star Security departments so they can continue to operate as effectively and efficiently as possible.



Daniel Q. Herbert **President, The Herbert Law Firm Retired Police Officer, Chicago Police Department**

Daniel Q. Herbert is a Chicago attorney who has been recognized for his accomplishments in the courtroom by multiple distinguished organizations. Born and raised on Chicago's Northside, Dan followed in his father's footsteps, becoming a Chicago police officer and working as a member of the Chicago Police Department for nearly ten years. He received numerous awards, including a Distinguished Service Award for his role in the shooting apprehension of a dangerous offender. Dan was named after his father's first partner, Daniel Quinnan, who was shot and killed in the line of duty in 1966. During his tenure in the CPD, he attended night school and earned a master's degree in Criminal Justice from Lewis University, then enrolled in law school and earned his Juris Doctorate from DePaul University College of Law.

After earning his law degree, Dan left the CPD and went to work as a Cook County Prosecutor for the ensuing four years. As an assistant state's attorney, he began by prosecuting DUIs, and his continuous hard work and success saw him promoted to the Felony Narcotics Unit, where he handled street level and long-term conspiracy cases. He spent his final year in the FeloXny Trial Division prosecuting violent crimes, including armed robberies, criminal sexual assaults and murders, serving as lead attorney in over 100 trials and further developing his expertise as a litigator and an aggressive advocate.

Given the opportunity to serve as in-house counsel for the Fraternal Order of Police. Dan left the state's attorney office and presided over Chicago Lodge #7 for the ensuing five years. His diverse practice involved the representation of hundreds of officers in criminal, civil, labor and administrative proceedings throughout his tenure.

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Anita Padilla

FOX 32 Good Day Chicago Anchor

Anita Padilla is an American award-winning television journalist best known as an anchor and reporter working on stories that impact the lives of Chicagoans. She currently works at Fox 32 News in Chicago and anchors Good Day Chicago from Monday to Friday. Prior to joining Fox 32 News in Chicago. Anita worked as a news reporter at WMAQ-TV, an NBC-owned and operated television station in Chicago.

A native Chicagoan, Anita earned a B.A. in Broadcast Journalism from Columbia College Chicago. Her first reporting work was as an intern for Bill Kurtis at WBBM-TV, later working in radio as an anchor and at Shadow traffic as a traffic editor. She also worked at WFTV in Orlando, Florida, where she helped to run a news bureau.

In 1995, Anita earned her first of two career Emmy Awards for breaking news coverage of an armed robbery and carjacking by a murderer in Orlando. In 2000, she earned a second Emmy for her role in a New

Year's Eve Millennium celebration piece while at WMAQ Channel 5 in Chicago. Anita continues to report on many highprofile stories across Chicago. She hosted exclusive interviews with Betty Loren-Maltese on the day of her racketeering conviction and again when she was sentenced to eight years in federal prison. She also reported on former Illinois Attorney General Jim Ryan's battle with cancer, the unexpected loss of his young daughter and his wife's heart attack.

In 2013 she was the Northwestern College commencement speaker. "Anita Padilla will bring a flair of excitement as our 2013 commencement speaker," commented President Schumacher. "She's a local success story having grown up in the Chicago suburbs, and we have no doubt that she will inspire our graduates as they celebrate their own personal accomplishments."

MASTER OF CEREMONIES





Lou Canellis **FOX 32 Sports Anchor**

Lou Canellis shares his enthusiasm about sports with Chicagoans every night on FOX 32 News at 5pm and 9pm. Lou also is the main anchor of Fox's thirty minute sports show, The Sports Zone, every Sunday night. He has followed local teams his entire life and has an extensive sports background.

During the Chicago Bears season, Lou is seen all day Sundays on Fox 32 Chicago. He hosts Fox Kickoff Sunday with former Chicago Bears guarterback, Jim Miller, at 10 am followed by Bears GameDay Live with former Chicago Bear Tom Thayer and the voice of the Bears, Jeff Joniak at 10:30 am. Lou also hosts Bears Postgame Live following every game on Fox 32 Chicago and Channel 50 plus the Sports Zone & Bears Game Night Live on Fox 32 Chicago.

Canellis has been going to Bears games since he was four years old, and has been a season ticket holder since he was six years old. Sweet Lou's expertise on the Bears can also be heard on various radio stations such

as WGN, The Score, ESPN Radio and WLS Radio throughout the city on a daily basis.

Canellis first became popular in his hometown as a member of the Chicago Bulls broadcasts on TV and radio. Canellis handled pregame and postgame duties along with being a sideline reporter and was well-known for his post-game chats with Michael Jordan.

Lou also spent 10 years as a reporter/host on the wildly popular Entertainment Lifestyle Show 190 North on ABC 7 in Chicago. In addition, during the course of his career he worked for 17 years for ESPN as a college basketball play-by-play announcer at ESPN Radio and WSCR as a talk show host.

A Loyola University graduate, Canellis considers himself a "South Sider," having been born and raised in Oak Lawn.

Canellis is a six-time Emmy Award winner.

Lou and his wife Monica have a daughter, Gia along with their dog, Chachi.

EVENT PERFORMER



Wayne Messmer, M.Ed., Ph.D

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Wayne Messmer, CSP® is in constant demand as a motivational and inspirational keynote speaker, professional singer and entertainer. He is known as "Chicago's Original Voice of the National Anthem," having performed The Star-Spangled Banner an estimated 5,000+ times. He hosts The Wayne Messmer Radio Show, Sunday Nights, (7–8 pm) on 90.9FM/ WDCB.org. His album with legendary pianist Judy Roberts, So Lucky To Be Loving You, has received rave reviews. He regularly appears on stage as a vocalist with his jazz group or Big Band.

Messmer has performed the National Anthem for the Chicago Cubs since 1985. He also sang before Games 3 and 5 of the 2016 World Series. Wayne spent 13 seasons as soloist with the Chicago Blackhawks at the historic Chicago Stadium and can now be heard at Chicago Wolves Hockey games, the (AHL) team of which he is a founding partner and Senior EVP. He is the co-founder and co-owner of Wayne Messmer & Associates, LLC, a nationally recognized financial services firm.

The powerful story of Wayne's miraculous comeback after being shot in the throat in a random act of violence, an armed robbery attempt on April 9, 1994 in Chicago has touched thousands of people across the



country. His experience is chronicled in his autobiographical book, The Voice of Victory.

He has been awarded the distinction of Certified Speaking Professional (CSP®), NSA's highest earned honor, as a member of the National Speakers Association. Messmer also holds professional memberships in NSA-IL, as well as (SAG/ AFTRA) Screen Actors Guild/American Federation of Television and Radio Artists.

Wayne and his wife Kathleen, also an accomplished singer/actress, reside in a northern suburb of Chicago. They are blessed to enjoy two grown daughters, three granddaughters and a grandson in their lives.

Messmer is a graduate of Illinois Wesleyan University where he was honored as the Distinguished Alumnus of 2017. He has earned an M.Ed., (Loyola University, Chicago) and a Ph.D., (La Salle University) in counseling and psychology.

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REV. THOMAS R. MCCARTHY, O.S.A.



Father Tom is an experienced teacher, administrator, retreat director and parish mission preacher.

He is a native of the South Side of Chicago. He grew up in St. Adrian Parish in Marquette Park. He received his elementary school education at St. Adrian School and high school education at St. Rita of Cascia High School. He graduated from Villanova University with a B.A. in Communication Arts. He also has a Master of Arts in Educational Administration from Lewis University.

Fr. Tom entered the Midwest Province of the Augustinian Order in 1987. After completing his novitiate, he attended Catholic Theological Union in Chicago and graduated with a Master of Divinity degree.

In 1993 he made his solemn vows as an Augustinian Friar and in 1994 he was ordained to the priesthood.

He did a pastoral internship at St. Clare of Montefalco Parish in Grosse Pointe Park, MI, and taught theology at Providence Catholic High School in New Lenox.

Fr. Tom ministered for 21 years at St. Rita of Cascia High School in Chicago as a teacher, campus minister, Principal, President and Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Fr. Tom ministered for nine years as the Vocation Director for the Our Mother of Good Counsel (Midwest) and five years for St. Thomas of Villanova (Eastern) Province.

Fr. Tom spent two years as the Augustinian Advisor to the Office of First- and Second-Year Initiatives-Office of Student Life at Villanova University.

Fr. Tom ministered in Rome as part of the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization where he was named a Papal Missionary of Mercy by Pope Francis in 2018. Father Tom spent two years as the Director of the Augustinian Marylake Shrine in King City, Ontario, and the Prior of the Marylake Augustinian Monastery.

Fr. Tom is currently in his 13th year as Vocation Director for the Midwest Province. Father Tom is the Director of St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel in Chicago, IL, and the Director of Community Relations at St. Rita High School in Chicago. Father Tom is also the Prior of the Pre-Novitiate Community of St. Clare of Montefalco Friary in Chicago.

Father Tom continues to preach parish missions and lead retreats.

You can find more information on his website www.frtommccarthy.com

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BTB VOLUNTEERS



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- Rosemont Mayor and State Representative Bradley Stephens, Christopher Stephens and to the entire staff at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center.
- Jennifer De la Garza and Alexander Beck and the entire staff at Rosemont Catering by Aramark.
- · Lou Canellis and Anita Padilla from Fox 32 for being our Co-Emcees tonight, for the third year in a row.
- Wayne Messmer for performing the National Anthem, for the third year in a row.
- Chicago Police Honor Guard and Chicago Police Department Pipes & Drums
- Father Tom McCarthy
- Kevin Farrell, Jose Rosario, Derek Fabian with the Cook County Sheriff's Police Lodge 4 for donating their lodge hall to host our bi-monthly Fatal 10 training sessions.
- Our sponsors as your support allows Bank the Blue to fund therapy and officer wellness training programs for Illinois law enforcement officers.
- Our amazing Volunteers, we could not pull this gala off without your commitment—a special thanks to each and every one of you.
- Bank the Blue Ambassadors



BANK THE BLUE PRESENTS

Dr. Olivia Johnson's

The Fatal 10 of Law Enforcement Suicide

hosted by Cook County Sheriff's Police FOP Lodge #4



In partnership with Dr. Olivia Johnson and Blue Wall Institute, Bank the Blue fully funded Dr. Olivia Johnson's presentment of the Fatal 10 of Law Enforcement Suicide for over 1,000 Illinois law enforcement officers from over 47 different agencies at the local, county, state, and federal levels. The feedback received from this program was nothing short of spectacular. We're grateful to the Cook County Sheriff's Police Lodge 4 for donating their lodge hall to host our bi-monthly Fatal 10 training sessions.

The Fatal 10 will help predict and manage suicide risk factors, suicidal ideations, and attempts among first responder groups. The idea is to identify and address red flags and questionable behavior before negative outcomes occur. This training will save lives, families, and careers. Dr. Olivia Johnson's training was developed from data collected from nearly 700 cases of law enforcement and correctional officer suicide. Ten major themes were noted as contributors to these deaths and became known as the FATAL 10.

Upon completion, learners will be able to:

- ✓ Demonstrate verbally the components of the Fatal 10
- Identify personal and occupational risk factors (on and off-duty)
- Identify common profile of a police officer suicide based on the Fatal 10
- Develop a game plan to reduce risks through inoculation

VISIT **BANKTHEBLUE.COM/FATAL-10** TO REGISTER

This event is open to all active Illinois Law Enforcement Officers and is fully funded by Bank The Blue. All attendees will receive a certificate of completion.

TRAINING DATE, TIMES & LOCATION

Nov 9, 2023

Morning Session 8 am-12 pm | Afternoon Session 1 pm-5 pm Cook County Sheriff's Police FOP Lodge #4 | 4425 Harrison Street, Hillside, IL 60162



OFFICER TESTIMONIALS

What Officers found most enlightening about the Fatal 10 Training:

66 how much the issues have come to light and are being addressed ""

> -Officer from Mount Prospect Police Department

66 the approach taken was down to earth and in line with how police think "

> -Officer from Schiller Park Police Department

66 easily relatable and engaging >>

> -Officer from Chicago Police Department

66 great material, great presenter 99 66 that most have the same problems I do 🥦

> -Officer from Arlington Heights Police Department

-Officer from Wheeling Police Department

66 passion exemplified by the instructor. It made for a positive learning experience **

> -Officer from Wheeling Police Department



66 the candidness of the speaker. Very real and in the moment 99

> -Officer from Schaumburg Police Department



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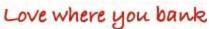


























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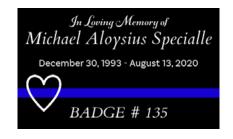


























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Blue Star Security's scope and variety of available services has expanded significantly since Security Services Holdings LLC (dba Protos Security), the leading tech-enabled managed security services provider in North America, announced that they acquired Blue Star Security. Protos Security, a portfolio company of Southfield Capital, expands its service offering and the value to its customer base with the acquisition of Blue Star Security. The transaction closed on September 19, 2022. This partnership allows Blue Star Security and Protos to service all of the United States as well as Canada.

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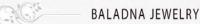
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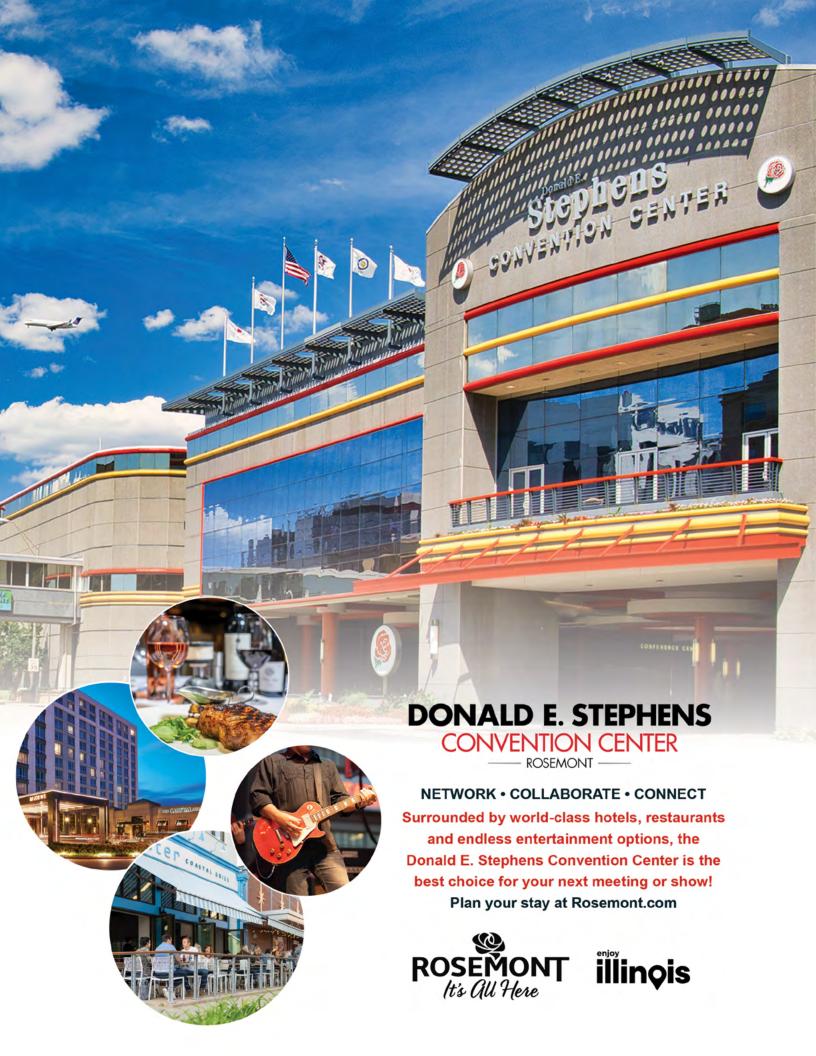
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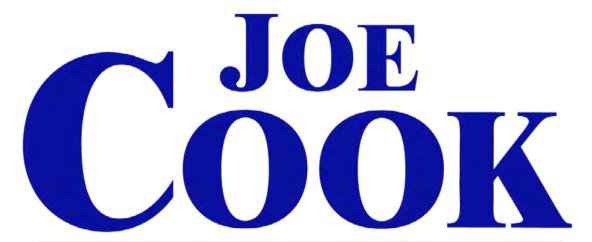
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