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# South Loop Neighbors

South Loop Neighbors is a non-profit membership based organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in South Loop's neighborhoods and preserving the area's landmark districts.

South Loop Neighbors represents South Loop residents who are concerned about:

- Ensuring high-quality, reasonably-sized real estate development as well as infrastructure improvements that respect the unique character of our community
- Preserving and protecting the area's Landmark Districts, including Printing House Row and Historic Michigan Boulevard
- Promoting quality education, recreation, services, retail, community activities, and events
- Maintaining a socially, culturally, and economically diverse neighborhood
- Developing strong relationships with key city officials to ensure they respect, hear, and act on the concerns and ideas of the South Loop community. South Loop Neighbors serves members and residents within the area bounded by Congress Parkway to approximately 25th Street and from the

Chicago River to Lake Michigan. [www.southloopneighbors.org](http://www.southloopneighbors.org)

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A roundup of what's proposed and underway for the South Loop was the program at our annual meeting in January. You can [watch it on YouTube](#).



The latest information on planning and development in our area can always be found at our website [SouthLoopUpdate.org](http://SouthLoopUpdate.org)



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## Retired in Chicago

### Grumble and then move on

By **Marianne Goss**, June 20, 2022

Following an aggravation, I often think, “Maybe I can get a blog post out of this.” Last week’s aggravations could have supplied more than one post.

“Glad you weren’t planning to go to Yellowstone this year,” my sister texted after the park flooded. Guess I’d forgotten to tell her. “I was,” I answered. “Not just planning. I have all my reservations — flight, car, hotels.” She was the first of several people who asked whether I’d still go. The decision depends on what reopens at the park.

On Friday my right knee buckled as I tried to get out of bed. In pain and limping a few hours later, I hobbled downtown to meet tourists who had scheduled a Chicago Greeter tour. They were no-shows.

My over-the-range microwave died. I’ve been cursing every time I go to warm up the cat’s food or reheat leftovers or want popcorn. The replacement won’t be installed for another week.

My siblings and I had an upsetting Zoom visit with our mother, who lives in a nursing home. Crying throughout, Mom kept saying that the music therapist supposedly called her “good for nothing.” You can’t reason a dementia patient out of a misperception, leaving us feeling unhelpful and sad.

My online Scrabble partner said she wanted to take a hiatus from our biweekly games. I felt disappointed about losing a favorite pastime.

All upsetting — but not calamitous. Things could be much worse.

When a friend and I spoke about Yellowstone, I said, “Of all the places I could have traveled this year, I had to pick Yellowstone,” as if I deserve some blame if the trip falls through. She laughed. I was trying to be funny, but the comment also showed some negative self-talk to which I unfortunately am prone.

So, here’s a try at positive self-talk.

If I don’t get to Yellowstone this year, it will be bad luck but not a calamity. I’ll go somewhere. Maybe I’ll get to Yellowstone and see only part of the park. The catastrophe is not the disrupted vacations of those who planned to go to Yellowstone this summer but the damage to the park and the climate change at least partly responsible for it.

I’m not necessarily destined for knee replacement surgery. Instead of self-diagnosing, I will see my doctor about the knee.

My 18-year-old kitchen appliances have lasted longer than expected. It was fortunate that the first to go was the microwave instead of the refrigerator. Instead of waiting for each to die, I’ve decided to replace them all now — microwave, refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, even the garbage disposal. I’m lucky to have the money to do so.

My mother is an ongoing issue about which I’ve blogged repeatedly, [the last time](#) in May. Her moods change, and we have to try to not be swept into them. By the next Zoom call, she seemed to have forgotten her distress.

I don’t have to give up online Scrabble. I can request games with others on the website whenever I feel like playing. I don’t want to brush aside annoyances but put them in perspective. Give myself some time to grumble and then move on. Most irritations are not worth much attention. Fretting can be saved for real problems.

In the middle of things going wrong, I got a text invitation from a woman in my building to join her with a cold drink around the pool. I’ve been trying to make more nearby friends. Getting together with her may have more lasting impact than any of the week’s downers.

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# OPINION

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## Backstory Essays

Regan Burke

### Me and Jeremiah

July 1, 2022



## Rolling Stone

### The Christians Who Think the Ukraine Invasion Means Jesus Is Returning to Earth

Evangelicals like Pat Robertson are convinced Putin is "being compelled by God" to wage war and bring about the end times

Anti-abortion evangelical Christians use the scriptural, "The Call of Jeremiah" to defend their idea of fetal viability at conception. It goes something like this:

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you..."

Frankly, those words take my breath away. I believe in a higher power most days and simple words like those give life to the marrow of my dry old bones. I can feel their power shimmy up and down my spine. My life has meaning if for just one moment of each day I know that spirit, that entity, whom I sometimes call God, has known my name since the beginning of time.

Nothing in those words equates to the government denying women (and men) the right to choose when they wish to become parents.

Christian mystic [Richard Rohr](#) teaches "The marvelous anthology of books and letters called the Bible is all for the sake of astonishment—not "proof" or certainty!" He says we don't read for information but for transformation.

I'm not meant to get explanations from scriptures on how to support my point of view. *I'm meant to be astonished.* On more days than not, I accept the mystery and power of that astonishment without explanation, without questions, without answers. On some days, like when my body needs medical attention, I dig for certainty and absolutes, even demand them. I throw the spirit of mystery out the window and root around in the soil of black-and-white thinking.

Every week this summer I wake up feeling like Supreme Courts-federal and state—are bludgeoning me with a baseball bat. Their traditionalist interpretation of the Constitution coincides with literal interpretations of the

Bible. Prayer in the schools. Public funding of religious education. Dismantling the administrative state of consumer & climate change protections. The license to freely carry any weapons anywhere. Denying reproductive freedom. These and other contrivances are biblically-based ideas embraced by [41% of Americans](#) who believe Jesus will descend on Earth in the flesh by 2050. Yeah. Really.

Christian zealots in every age have found signs that we are in the end-times as described in the Book of Revelation. In my twenties I belonged to a cult that looked for modern signs of the Apocalypse. We were convinced the arrival of branch banking and credit cards signaled the end was near. Globalism was then, as now, a sign. If we had today's Supreme Court, they'd take up consideration of banning those. The World Council of Churches constituted a fulfillment of the end-times prophecy of a one-world religion. Ecumenism was shunned since it relegated Christianity an equal to other religions. I escaped that cult with a staggering amount of information that took years to dump.

[Now comes word](#) about how excited the 41% religious warriors are about the war in Ukraine—another fulfillment of the prophecy of the second coming of Christ.

I know. I know. Who would believe such wacky stuff?

But is it such a leap from my belief that my existence was known eons before I was born?

by Regan Burke [In That Number: One Woman's March From the Streets of Protest to the Halls of Power \(And Beyond\)](#)

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Tuesday, June 21, 2022

## [\\$400K Stolen Violin Returned to South Loop Family](#)

Well it sounds like the South Loop stolen violin has a relatively happy ending (via [Chicago Tribune](#)):

After a monthlong disappearance, police have returned a stolen violin made in 1760 to a South Loop family of musicians whose home was burglarized and robbed of the 262-year-old violin, as well as two other valuable instruments in May.

MingHuan Xu, a professional violinist and director of the string program at Roosevelt University, was preparing to perform at the Walla Walla Chamber Music Festival in Washington on Tuesday when the Chicago Police Department called and asked her to come into the station to identify three instruments.

Xu immediately dropped out of her performance that night, booked a red-eye, and arrived in Chicago at 4 a.m. Wednesday. She identified the three instruments "right away" as the three that were taken from her home a month earlier. The instruments were all undamaged and in good condition.

With no suspects in custody and the investigation still "open," it remains unclear who was behind the burglary or how police acquired the instruments, though surveillance cameras from a neighbor's garage did capture images of the suspect entering Xu's home around 3:45 a.m. the morning of May 11.

It still seems like a strange sequence of events - especially how the Police just "acquired" the instruments - but hopefully we will learn more in the future.

Anyway - glad that this was returned.

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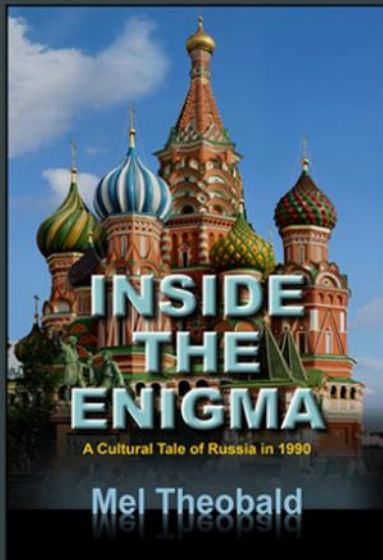
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# Inside the Enigma

## A Cultural Tale of Russia in 1990



by Mel Theobald

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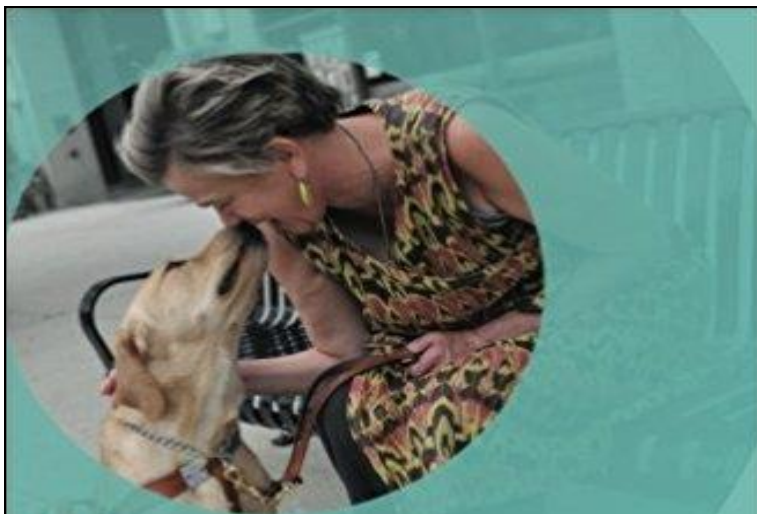
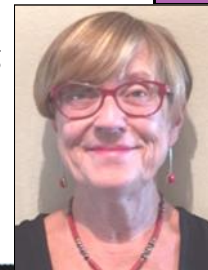
## Erika Krause, *Tell Me Everything: the Story of a Private Investigation* (Flatiron Books 2022).

In 2004, things got rocky for Gary Barnett (who took Northwestern to the Rose Bowl in 1996) and the Colorado Buffaloes football team he coached when his much-revered program was accused of enticing high-school recruits with money, drugs, alcohol, strippers, lap dances, and sex with escorts. Matters got worse: nine women, including the team's female kicker, came forward accusing players and trainers of sexual harassment and rape. Awful things had happened before. Erika Krause, an under-employed fiction writer with a litany of low-paying, part-time jobs, was dragged into this morass by a lawyer who ran into her at a book store. Within minutes, he found himself telling Erika he hated his life, his job, and the insurmountable difficulties he was having with a pro-bono sex-discrimination case he filed against that very team. Shocked at his own admissions, Krause told the attorney: "It's my 'ordinary-looking face,...if I ask 'How are you?' sometimes people start crying. 'I'm getting a divorce,' they say. ... Or 'I was just diagnosed with late-stage Lyme disease.' ... Or 'I want to kill myself. I've been saving up Ambiens.'" Recognizing her latent skills, the lawyer asked Krause to become his private investigator to find the facts, the victims, the witnesses, the perpetrators, the unspeakable acts, and the proof that the coach and the college knew and sanctioned all the ugly stuff. For Erika, the pay was phenomenal, the challenge irresistible, and the job title—PI—too good to be true. She portrays herself as completely non-threatening and unremarkable with "a voice the same pitch as ambient noise." Krause compares herself to the first documented female

private eye in AmErika, Kate Warner, who was hired by the storied Allan Pinkerton in the 1850's because of *her face*, which "would cause one in distress instinctively to select her as a confidant." This is a true crime story *and* a memoir. Krause has her own wretched history—abused as a little girl and promised by her heartless mother: "Someday you're going to need me. And I can't wait for that day to happen, because I won't be there for you." Whether because of her visage or her empathy, Krause gets the goods, and skillfully instructs her readers about the tedium of depositions, the vagaries of prosecutorial discretion, the agony of the University's successful motion to dismiss. Ironically, the case is reinstated by a 10th Circuit Court panel that includes Neil Gorsuch, "a conservative judge" who protected women's rights: "he dropped his political stance, thought of his two daughters, and made an instinctive human choice to care." Apparently, just that once. It's more than a trial handbook; Krause asks the hard questions: Why must students and athletes (mostly Black) be recruited with women's bodies? And addictive substances? And assurances of immunity? How can people "hurt women with absolutely no consequences?" What does any of this do for the recruits? Spike Lee wondered in "*He Got Game*," and Tom Wolfe asked again in "*I am Charlotte Simmons*." **Tell me Everything** gave Krause the facts, but not the answers.

Lorraine Schmall

Dearborn Park  
July, 2022



## Writing Out Loud

what a blind teacher learned from  
leading a memoir class for seniors

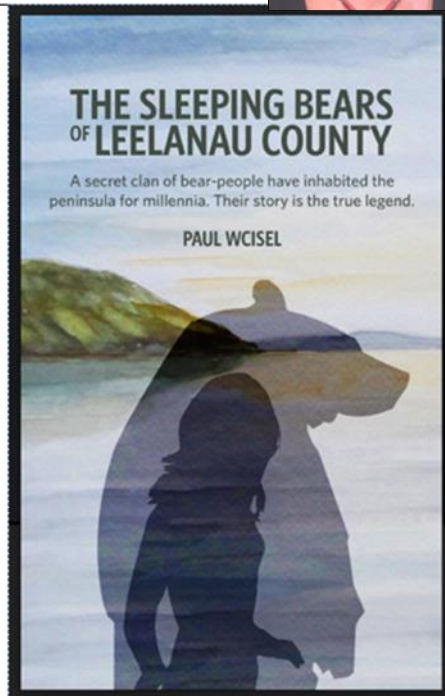
Beth Finke

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In a remote corner of northern Michigan, the residents of Leelanau County have a secret society that has been living on the peninsula for thousands of years. They are the bear-transforming descendants of tribes who crossed Lake Michigan millennia ago to escape the destruction of their clan.

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## Ketanji Brown Jackson actually said a couple of things that should make the other side happy....July 19, 2022

Now that KBJ has been sworn in as a Supreme Court justice to replace the justice she clerked for way back when, [Stephen Breyer](#), it's time to take note of a couple of things she said during her confirmation hearing.

They may make her critics and skeptics happy that she's there.

(By the way, she isn't alone on the current Court replacing who she clerked for. Both [John Roberts](#) and [Brett Kavanaugh](#) clerked for the justices they replaced—[William Rehnquist](#) and [Anthony Kennedy](#), respectively.)

There were a couple of things Jackson said when she was testifying that seemed very interesting, under all the political circumstances.

Like when [she was asked by Senator Marsha Blackburn](#) if she could define what a woman is.

Brown said she couldn't, that she wasn't a biologist. Ding! Ding! Ding!

Jackpot!

Her answer was certainly a welcome one for Blackburn and her ideological colleagues. Jackson apparently thinks being a woman is based in biology!

Even though she didn't mention that the biological basics for womanhood is having two X chromosomes (men have an X and a Y), she did maintain that being a woman was centered in their biology. And not within the more esoteric realms of head and heart, she implied—by maintaining that you have to be a biologist to understand that. And she wasn't one.

Another time [during the hearing](#), the [former public defender](#) and short-term member of [the DC Circuit Court of Appeals](#), said that although [she hasn't had much experience ruling on Constitutional issues](#) (which her coming assignment should require),

She did say what she'd do when faced with a case invoking the US Constitution: "I'm looking at original documents. I am focusing on the original public meaning because I am constrained to interpret the text. Sometimes that's enough to resolve the issue. . . ."

So maybe she's going to be a dyed in the wool

originalist after all? And maybe with a little time and seasoning, who knows? And maybe becoming besties with the other young woman and mom she now works with—[Amy Coney Barrett](#)? Who knows what can happen?

Maybe ACB and KBJ will rub off on each other. I sense they will watch each other. And try to figure each other out.

Why wouldn't they?



Supreme Court Judge  
Ketanji Brown Jackson.

Bonnie McGrath

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Tuesday, July 12, 2022

## [City Talks Museum Campus Ideas and Dome at Soldier Field ; Bears Promptly Say No Thanks](#)

Lots of movement last week on the Bears vs. City of Chicago drama.

For those not up-to-speed, the [Bears have one foot out of the proverbial Soldier Field door](#) and ready to move to the burbs. In a final hail mary, Mayor Lightfoot and her team came up with a bunch of ideas on how to improve the broader Museum Campus (and ultimately hopefully keep the Bears at Soldier Field): There are some interesting and well needed things (hello bridges to Northerly Island!), but as it relates to the Bears - THEY GONE!

The Bears issued this statement in response (from [MSN](#)):  
 “The only potential project the Chicago Bears are exploring for a new stadium development is Arlington Park.”

“As part of our mutual agreement with the seller of that property, we are not pursuing alternative stadium deals or sites, including renovations to Soldier Field, while we are under contract.”

There you have it. The Bears are all-in on the move to Arlington Heights.

The initial agreement between the Bears and Churchill Downs Inc. last fall for the purchase of the Arlington Heights site was for \$197.2 million. According to Churchill Downs Inc. CEO Bill Carstanjen, the company can close the sale of the property at Arlington Park by mid-2023.

This is the clearest sign from the Bears that they're moving. So...we'll see what the city does.

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## [Grills Night Out](#)



Saturday, Jul 23, 7:00 PM

Dearborn Park , 9th and Plymouth

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## Editor's Letter:

July 2022

July 5, 2022 by [Brian Hiegelke](#)

### What happens if you organize an issue of a publication around a color, rather than a topic?

I spend a lot of time thinking about the essence of the magazine, not just in finding great stories and images, but what, in this digital world, still makes this particular medium special. What is a print magazine that cannot

be duplicated on a website, or even as a PDF?

Increasingly, that pushes me to think about the publication as a whole, as a singular physical object, rather than an amalgamation of disconnected elements. And that leads me to aspire to make Newcity not just *about* art, but to be an object of art itself.

Last fall, Jan and I visited Paris for the first time. Before we went, friends were generous with names of restaurants, art destinations and other sites we should visit. One such suggestion was Galerie Denise René, in part because of its history of showing Brazilian artists, an interest of ours. When we visited the gallery, its exhibition at the time was "[dynamique du bleu](#)," a group show of work that had one thing in common. It was striking and fascinating. And voilà, an idea for a magazine issue was born.

The concept turned out to be easier than the execution.

What is blue? It is a primary color. It is the color of the sky, the color of water. It is a state of mind. It is everywhere.

I started collecting books of artwork organized around the color, full of essays I never had a chance to read, and making notes about blue things. Blueberries, the phrase "true blue," black-and-blue, blue light glasses, blue states, the Pantone color of the year, [Very Peri](#), Joni Mitchell "Blue," Miles Davis "Kind of Blue," New Order "Blue Mondays," Kurt Elling "[Superblue](#)," Blue Note Records, Mischa Zupko "Blue Matter," Blue Oyster Cult, Big Blue (IBM), "Blue is the Warmest Color," "The Blue Boy" by Thomas Gainsborough. And so on. It does not stop once it starts.

We challenged everyone—writers, artists, even our printer, to suggest ideas and stories, small and large, straightforward and sideways.

Is it art? I don't know. But it is blue.

BRIAN HIEGELKE

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A Site of Struggle explores race, violence and art

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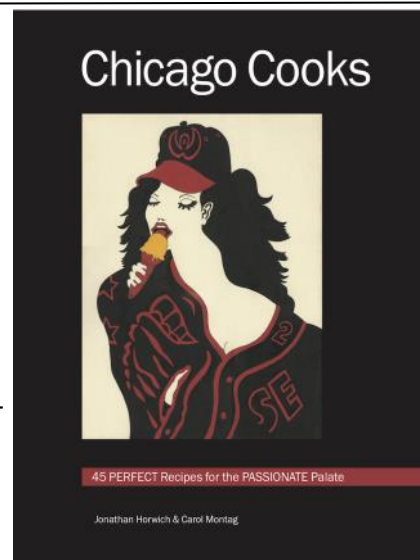
Not every food category is included here, but the ones we have chosen represent a foundation any cook will need to provide for a family or to entertain brilliantly.

We hope you will trust us and try these recipes so that you can experience food made with care and passion, food that stimulates your palate, and inspires you to share each recipe with those you love.

The two authors are long-time residents of Chicago. Returning to Chicago after 40 years in California as a jazz producer and recording engineer, **Jonathan Horwich** has continued pursuing his passion for music and high quality sound. **Carol Montag** grew up in St. Louis, MO and came to Chicago to attend The University of Chicago and never left. She has been an educator for 52 years as a classroom teacher, school administrator, and educational coach.

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## Near South Side CPS High School A Step Closer To Reality After CHA Agrees To Lease Former Public Housing Site

The move sets aside part of the old Harold Ickes Homes site to build a \$120 million school for Near South Side neighborhoods. Now, the plan heads to the Chicago Board of Education for a vote.

[Jamie Nesbitt Golden](#) Jul 19, 2022

The site of the former Robert Ickes Homes near 24th and Dearborn. The land is being redeveloped into a mixed-use, mixed-income structure with housing and retail. But a recent move could set aside part of the land for a new Near South Side high school

**SOUTH LOOP** — A long-awaited but controversial plan to build a Chicago Public Schools high school to serve Near South Side neighborhoods is one step closer to moving forward after the Chicago Housing Authority Board agreed to lease part of a former public housing site to the district.

The board unanimously approved the proposal Tuesday to grant the district a lease for up to 99 years for 1.7 acres of land at the former Harold L. Ickes Homes site near 24th and State streets for a new, \$120 million high school.

The homes — built in the mid-'50s with more than 700 apartments — were torn down in 2010.

Part of the site is already being redeveloped into new housing. The [Southbridge](#) mixed-income development will include 877 apartments and retail space on 11 acres bounded by Cermak, State, 25th and Dearborn, plus another swath of land east of State Street, according to housing documents. About 244 units will house CHA families.

The first building is complete and the second building is under construction, officials said. So far, 206 mixed-income units have been completed, officials said.

The school is planned for the southernmost part of the site, which also had been set aside for the last phase of the Southbridge project.

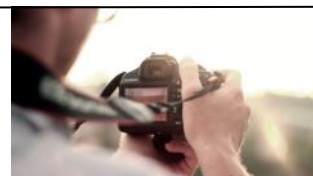
CPS recently approached the housing agency with a land swap proposal: the district would lease the land at 24th and State for the high school and the housing agency would get the deed for 2 acres at 2240 and the 2300 block of South Wabash Avenue, according to board documents.

That land on Wabash would be used to build the remaining housing outlined in the Southbridge development, officials said. [Click here for more.](#)



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### Sat, Aug 13 Polk and Dearborn **Seasons of South Loop Photo Contest**



#### **Time & Location**

Aug 13, 10:00 AM – Aug 14, 5:00 PM  
Polk and Dearborn, Chicago, IL 60605, USA

#### **About the event**

Photos will be exhibited at the Printer's Row Art Fest. This year's theme is "Seasons of South Loop." Start taking your photos now!

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## Shedd renovations approved

The Shedd Aquarium's renovation plans were approved by Plan Commission June 16, part of a \$500 million Centennial Commitment that will significantly renew and refresh various interior portions of the building.



The project also calls for various exterior improvements, most significantly a new ticketing and entry pavilion near the vehicular dropoff and "Man With Fish" sculpture on Solidarity Dr. Plans also call for widening the building's terrace deck on the north side of the building by 10 feet and rebuilding the north gallery's roof. Landscape improvements will include an enhanced picnic area on the building's north side, and more shade trees in several locations.

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# OPINION

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## Mondays with Mike:

by [mknezo2014](#) July 18, 2022

### A nice COVID leftover



Don't let that headline mislead you about what I think about COVID.

COVID continues to suck. Not as bad as it did, but still pretty bad. I, for example, still have spells where my balance is compromised and it feels like I'm going to tip over. It's not often, but still too often.

Based on the behavior of motorists, bicyclists, and those crazy electric scooter riders, it feels a lot like COVID left people with a sense that none of the pre-COVID rules and norms apply. (I'm talking to you, bicyclists who ride on the sidewalks.)

COVID did, however, force us to be creative and resourceful. For us and our friends here in our Printers Row neighborhood, that question became how can we get together safely. The answer was and is right outside Beth and my place's window: Printers Row Park.

It's more of an urban plaza, there isn't much green space. [I wrote in earlier post about our get-togethers there.](#) I'm happy to report that even though we gather indoors, as we did last night for dinner at our place, we are keeping the park tradition alive.

Camp chairs are de rigueur. Sometimes food is involved, and an informal pot luck ensues. Beth will whip up some yummy deviled eggs. Our friend Jim brings a fold up table.

Conversation and laughter commence. Our last outing was badly needed. It was on the Fourth of July, the day of the Highland Park shootings. Despite the threat of rain, we chanced it. And we were lucky for a while. Then it started drizzling. Then it picked up. For some reason we didn't fold. We sat out there eating polish sausage that Jim fixed, getting rained on. Umbrellas came out, with one of our party telling another—noticing that he had a domed umbrella and was holding a wine glass, pinky up—that he looked like Mary Poppins.



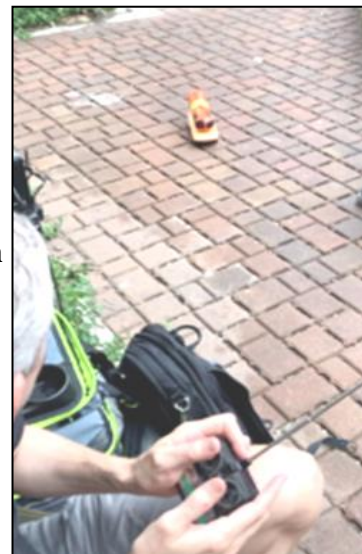
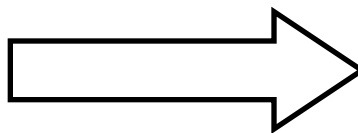
The view of Printers Row Park from our window.

Still, we persisted. It was absurd, really.

But then the rain stopped. And then the sun came out. And we ended up staying out until dark. It was delightful, all in all.

Best part? Our pal Jim brought a radio control model of the Oscar Mayer Wienermobile.

I'll leave you with this:



## MOST RECENT EPISODES

JULY 1, 2022

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ON THE MEDIA

### Locked and Loaded

The overturning of Roe v. Wade will remain the most discussed opinion of this Supreme Court term. But just a day earlier, the high court issued another monumental opinion — this one on guns. On this week's On the Media, hear why this latest ruling will send lawyers scrambling into historical archives. Plus, an inside look at Justice Clarence Thomas' unique strain of conservatism.

1. Timothy Zick, professor of law at William and Mary Law School, about what's next in the debate over gun control, and why it will be all about history. [Listen](#).
2. Corey Robin [[@CoreyRobin](#)], writer and professor of political science at Brooklyn College and the CUNY Graduate Center, on all that we've missed (or ignored) about Justice Clarence Thomas. [Listen](#).







Indivisible Downtown Chicago meets the 3rd Monday of each month at Bar Louie in Printers Row. Join Chicagoans using “Indivisible” principles to protect democracy.

The next meeting is Monday, August 15 at 6:30pm.

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## *Help make the South Loop Chicago's best location for pickleball!*

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in America. It's enjoyed by old and young, men and women — from beginners to pros. All a player needs is a paddle, a ball and a court, which makes this sport very accessible. But finding a court in Chicago is difficult.

Currently, Grant Park has no dedicated pickleball courts. Pickleball players have to use the tennis courts at Maggie Daley Park, where they're allowed to play for only two hours a day — Monday through Friday.

There is, however, an opportunity to build eight dedicated pickleball courts in Grant Park on Columbus Dr. near 8th Street. These courts would be lighted and available exclusively for pickleball—every day—from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. **But we need your help.**

The Grant Park Advisory Council and a group of dedicated pickleball enthusiasts is working hard to raise the funds to build these courts. The Chicago Park District and Alderman King's 4th Ward Office have each committed to paying one-third of the \$105,000 cost. That leaves one-third of the cost (\$35,000) for the community to raise. **Please donate whatever you can!**

The Chicago Parks Foundation, the Chicago Park District's 501c3 partner, is handling all donations. To donate to this project, simply scan the attached QR code and complete the donation form. Or, visit <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/GrantParkPickleball>. Your donation will be restricted to this project.

Your donation is urgently needed to get this project rolling! The sooner we reach our fundraising goal, the sooner these courts will be built. Chicago's currently has only four dedicated pickleball courts, and these are on the South Side. The new courts in the South Loop will allow more people to discover pickleball and to play on a regular basis. They will also help build momentum for more dedicated courts throughout Chicago.

If you have any questions, contact the Grant Park Advisory Council at [vpgpacchicago@gmail.com](mailto:vpgpacchicago@gmail.com) or Greg Borzo at [Greg@ChicagoPickleball.com](mailto:Greg@ChicagoPickleball.com)



## Safe & Sound Blog

by Beth Finke

Highland Park

July 6, 2022



You know those “Questions Kids Ask” lists I post here after visiting third-grade classrooms with Luna? Those visits are arranged by a disability awareness program called “Educating Outside the Lines,” and every one of the schools they have me visit is located in...Highland Park, Illinois.

”Is your dog blind, too?” they ask. “Is it scary being blind?” “Do you ever go anywhere by yourself?” “Do you get sad sometimes?”

When regular radio programming was interrupted Monday to report a mass shooting at the Highland Park 4th of July parade, I immediately thought of those third-graders. “Please, please, please,” I whispered to whatever God might listen. “Don’t let any third-graders get shot.” The kids, their teachers, the school secretaries, so many of the people I meet during those visits had to be at that parade Monday. Highland Park is just that sort of town: bucolic, huge oak trees, birds singing, big parks, small shops. If you live in Highland Park, you go to the 4th of July parade!

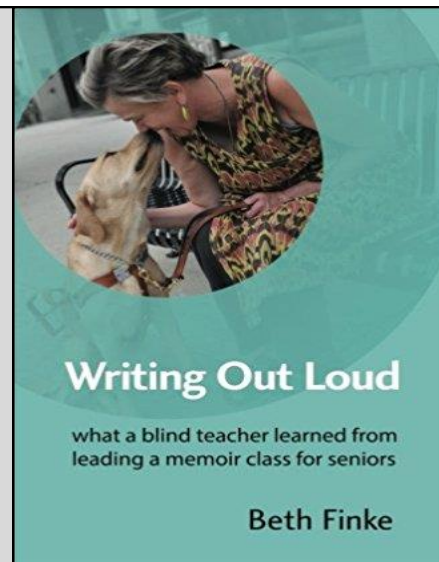
I’ve been keeping an ear open ever since Monday for a list of those injured or killed. No seven-or-eight-year-olds. Not so far. But Highland Park is such a small, friendly community — everyone there has to know someone personally affected.

I thought of those third-graders all day Monday. Then again yesterday. And still today. When I get stuck on something like this, I turn to writing to help me think it through. So here I am. And I still can’t make sense of it. Just heard that WBEZ-Fm has posted a [list of resources](#) on its web site put together by the federal government’s Interagency Working Group on Youth Programs to help children, families, educators, and community members cope after mass shootings. I am not a family member of any of those kids, I’m not their teacher, and I don’t even live in their community. But I may check that list out anyway. Maybe one of their suggested resources will help.



Luna and I at a school visit in Highland Park this past May. As always, lots of questions. (photo by Jamie Ceaser)

Beth Finke’s books: “Safe and Sound” , “Long Time No See” and “Writing Out Loud” can be purchased at Sandmeyer’s Book Store.



Summer is upon us. We will be gathering in Printers Row Park for the weekly pick-up and spruce-up at 5:00 PM today and every Tuesday (weather permitting) through October. I will have gloves and some tools but if you have any buckets or hand tools that would be useful, please bring them.

Chicago Park District landscaping staff planted flowers by the fountain. Come take a look. See you next Tuesday if you can make it.

Jim Rice, President  
Printers Row Park Advisory Council





# PRINTERS ROW LIT FEST

2022 Printers Row Lit Fest will take place September 10 & 11, 10am-6pm, on South Dearborn Street, from Ida B. Wells to Polk Street in historic Printers Row. We urge you to support Chicago's independent bookstores and come listen to amazing authors and panelists.



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# Summerdance



## July 24

**Maxwell Street Market, 800 S. Desplaines St.**

11 a.m.: Bachata/Latin Street

Noon: Salsa/Latin Street

1 p.m.: Rueda de Casino (Cuban Salsa)/Latin Street

2 p.m.: Open Dance

Music by Vintage Wed DJ Papi

## Aug. 11

**Spirit of Music Garden in Grant Park, 601 S. Michigan Ave.**

6 p.m.: Cumbia/Latin Street

7 p.m.: Cumbia/Quinto Imperio

## Aug. 12

**Spirit of Music Garden in Grant Park, 601 S. Michigan Ave.**

6 p.m.: Foxtrot, East Coast Swing/May I Have This Dance

7 p.m.: 1936 Pop Music/Alan Gresik Swing Orchestra

## Aug. 13

**Spirit of Music Garden in Grant Park, 601 S. Michigan Ave.**

6 p.m.: Steppin'/Dawud and Lura Shareef

7 p.m.: Steppin'/DJ Eric "ET" Taylor

## Aug. 18

**Spirit of Music Garden in Grant Park, 601 S. Michigan Ave.**

6 p.m.: Country Two-Step, Waltz, Polka/Jeffrey Cannon & Meg Kindelin

7 p.m.: Country and Western/Wild Earp & The Free For Alls

**Credit:** ProvidedThe 2018 SummerDance Celebration in Millennium Park, August 2018.

## Aug. 19

**Spirit of Music Garden in Grant Park, 601 S. Michigan Ave.**

6 p.m.: Salsa/Latin Rhythms

7 p.m.: Salsa/Afinca'o



## Alderman Dowell, Community Celebrate Reopening of Lin Park

Alderman Dowell was joined by the Chicago Park District, DePaul University and community members to cut the ribbon on the newly renovated Margaret Hie Ding Lin Park in the South Loop on Friday, June 24th. Located at 1735 S. State St., the park features a newly renovated basketball court in addition to a new half court facility, new bleachers, benches, lighting and a drinking fountain. Updated landscape and ADA accessibility improvements are also part of the overall renovation. This \$576,000 project was made possible in part through the support of DePaul University, which donated \$150,000 to the redevelopment of the park.

The 0.27-acre park first opened in 1970 and was named in 2004 after Dr. Margaret Hie Ding Lin, a Chinese immigrant and physician in nearby Chinatown neighborhood. Dr. Lin's memory lives on through the creation of opportunities in the park that exemplify the commitment to servicing and supporting the recreational and health needs of the Chinese community.

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A wrapper on a modern Red Line train gives it a vintage 1950s look. Provided.

## CTA Trains Get A Retro Makeover As Agency Celebrates Its 75th Birthday

Notice a CTA car that looks a little old? Some have gotten special wrappings to make them look vintage, part of the CTA's birthday celebration.

[Mack Liederman](#) Jul 5, 2022

CHICAGO — The CTA is going vintage as it prepares to celebrate its birthday.

The transit agency unveiled wrappings this week for some train cars, making them look like cars from '50s, '60s, '70s and '80s, [according to a news release](#). The trip through history is a celebration of the agency's 75th anniversary.

Red Line riders can hop on a green-, cream- and orange-striped railcar resembling the 6000-series railcars many Chicagoans think of as the classic "L" design, according to the CTA.

A green and white design — reminiscent of trains from the mid-'60s through the '80s — will adorn trains on other lines, according to the agency.

The CTA will celebrate its birthday with a Diamond Jubilee Celebration Oct. 1 at Daley Plaza, according to the news release. The public is invited to attend and ride around The Loop in the CTA's Heritage Fleet of preserved vintage trains and buses.

**Credit:** Courtesy of Krambles-Peterson ArchiveA 1-50 series "L" train that ran from the early 1960s to the late 1990s. **Credit:** Courtesy of Louis GerardA 2000-Series railcar moves through the city's "L" tracks.

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## Chicago Moves Program

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Chicago Moves is a financial assistance program providing \$12.5 million in trans-

portation relief to Chicagoans in need. Chicago Moves will issue up to 50,000 prepaid gas cards of \$150 and 100,000 prepaid transit cards of \$50 to eligible residents across the city. The transit cards may be used to purchase fares for public transportation purposes at Ventra vending machines located at CTA stations, Ventra retail locations located across the city, or digitally via the Ventra website or mobile app. Use of the gas card will be limited to the purchase of gas at pumps located at any filling station within the City of Chicago. Applications for Chicago Moves opened on April 27, 2022, and cards will be distributed every month from May through September. Click [here](#) to learn more and apply.

Alderman King

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## Alderman's Meeting regarding Lollapalooza

Was held on Tuesday, June 28, 2022, at 5 PM for a community meeting regarding Lollapalooza Music Festival which will take place July 28-31, 2022. Met with the event coordinators to address resident concerns during the duration of the festival weekend.

A commonly voiced concern was music volume. The "Lollapalooza" representative said noise level was measured at the front of each stage. Residents recommended it also be measured at fence lines. Much frustration when "Lollapalooza" and Park staff did not know city/park noise limits rules. E.g. a woman who lives in River East says she has measured 86 decibels in her living room.

Another was accessibility to adjacent parkland, etc. South Loop Neighbor Assoc. board member Roger Marsh's concern was security guards and police who blocked off normal pathways but could not advise people on alternative routes. E.g., Roger used to work at the Shedd and encountered guards who blocked his way and could only say "I don't know how you can get there - I only know that you can't get there this way."

Next - damage to Grant Park, What are the fees charged event operators used for? Why are they not used to address continuing deterioration of Grant Park? E.g., the temporary repairs to the Harrison Street footbridge over the rail tracks are now so deteriorated that they are now a hazard themselves. *Roger Marsh reporting.*



## Cop Who Knocked Out Miracle Boyd's Teeth At Grant Park Protest Quits After Facing Firing



Officer Nicholas Jovanovich resigned from the police department recently after the city's police oversight agency said he should be fired for attacking the 18-year-old activist.

[Joe Ward](#) Jul 13, 2022

Activist Miracle Boyd leads the chants as Chicagoans marched through Bronzeville on June 22, 2021 for the fourth year calling for justice for the dozens of missing or murdered women in the city. Colin Boyle/Block Club Chicago

**DOWNTOWN** — The Chicago police officer who hit an 18-year-old activist during a Downtown protest in 2020 has resigned from the force after an oversight agency recommended that he be fired.

Officer Nicholas Jovanovich resigned from the police department more than two years after the incident in which investigators determined he hit activist Miracle Boyd in her face — knocking out her teeth — as she tried to record an arrest during a protest near the Christopher Columbus statue in Grant Park, the Civilian Office of Police Accountability announced Wednesday.

The police oversight agency recommended Jovanovich's termination in June 2021, saying the officer "forcefully struck" Boyd who was not a threat to police, infringed on her right to film police and filed a report that "grossly mischaracterized" the encounter, according to the police accountability agency's report.

Police Supt. David Brown disagreed with the report's recommendation, instead calling for Jovanovich to be suspended for a year. When the oversight agency and superintendent disagree on officer discipline, the case goes before the Chicago Police Board, whose members agreed in March with the decision to fire Jovanovich, [according to the Sun-Times](#).

Jovanovich resigned before he could be terminated, officials from the oversight agency said Wednesday.

The incident happened as activists were pushing for the removal of the Columbus statue at Grant Park. Boyd, a youth activist with anti-violence group GoodKids MadCity, was recording officers with her phone when [Jovanovich knocked the phone out of her hand](#), which sent it into her face, according to the oversight agency's investigation.

Several of Boyd's teeth were knocked out. She [called for the officer to be fired](#).

Boyd had just finished speaking at the rally when Jovanovich hit her.

During the protest, Boyd noticed a person being arrested and went over to film the encounter and ask the

person for their identifying information, according to the oversight agency's report.

Without saying a word, Jovanovich walked up and "forcefully struck" Boyd, the report states.

After the incident, Jovanovich is alleged to have filed a report that contained "five significant falsehoods" about Boyd's actions and the threat she posed to officers, according to the report.

Jovanovich in his report described Boyd as swinging her arms as she moved towards police, that she was about to "batter" the arresting officers and that she fled the scene following the incident. Those actions were disproven by video of the incident, according to the oversight agency.

For the rest of the story click below



[https://blockclubchicago.org/2022/07/13/officer-who-hit-activist-miracle-boyd-at-grant-park-protest-quits-job-after-facing-firing/?utm\\_source=Pico&utm\\_campaign=3c6a4ad839-](https://blockclubchicago.org/2022/07/13/officer-who-hit-activist-miracle-boyd-at-grant-park-protest-quits-job-after-facing-firing/?utm_source=Pico&utm_campaign=3c6a4ad839-)

### City money up front for The 78?

Related Midwest, developer of The 78, is looking to the city to advance money to pay for various infrastructure improvements that it was to have been funded. The Planned Development ordinance for the project requires Related to pay for the extension of 15th Street west from Clark, and relocation westward of the Metra tracks.

But Discovery Partners Institute, the University of Illinois institute that is so far the only announced occupant at the site, is property-tax exempt. With no casino headed to the site, The 78 will not soon be generating property-tax revenue. As a result, talks have begun in which the city would advance the money, rather than Related Midwest, being paid back by property taxes on eventual development.

Discovery Partners Institute is expected to break ground late next year on a \$250 million, 261,000-square-foot headquarters building with classrooms, lab space and offices.

Related says there is interest in constructing two other office and lab structures for firms that want to be close to DPI, with even some potential residential and retail space along Clark Street.

### Opposition to demolition of four GSA owned buildings on S. State St.

The South Loop Neighbors has joined with the Chicago Loop Alliance, Chicago Central Area Committee and the Loop Neighbors in strongly opposing the demolition of the four buildings owned by the U.S. General Service Administration on S. State St. To see the letter of opposition with the reasoning, [click here](#).

<https://www.southloopneighbors.org/newsletters>





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## Join a Safety Committee

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCILS

Residents in the 4th Ward are getting together to be proactive about their own safety. Every community area has an Advisory Council with a Safety sub-committee. It is important that communities organize themselves to be more vigilant by getting to know each other better, sharing contact information, and, creating mechanisms to communicate quickly and effectively. Please enquire about Block Club and Safety Subcommittees within your Community Advisory Council. To get involved, please contact our office at 773-536-8103 or email us at [ward04@cityofchicago.org](mailto:ward04@cityofchicago.org). To reach out directly to the advisory councils, visit our website [King4thWard.com/advisory-councils1](http://King4thWard.com/advisory-councils1).

## Night Out In The Parks is Back!

CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT

Celebrating 10 years, Night Out in the Parks activates parks across the city with robust cultural events – bringing neighbors together to laugh, dance, sing, and engage. The Chicago Park District, in partnership with more than [120 local artists and organizations](#), presents engaging events and performances to amplify the artistic and cultural vibrancy of our city in every neighborhood and enhance the quality of life across Chicago. Through theater, music, movies, dance, site-specific performances, nature programs, and community festivals, the series supports Chicago-based artists, facilitates community-based partnerships and programs, cultivates civic engagement, and ensures equity in access to the arts for all Chicagoans. Click [here](#) to learn more and [here](#) to view the schedule for this summer for the 4th Ward and the rest of the city.

## Health, Wellness and Know Your Rights Information and Resource Fairs

CITY OF CHICAGO LORI E. LIGHTFOOT

The City of Chicago Mayor's office will be holding two information and resource fairs on the subjects of health, wellness, and knowing your rights at the Harold Washington Library Center (400 S. State St) Winter Garden 9th Floor. They will take place on **Tuesday, July 19, and Tuesday, August 16 2022 from 10 AM-2 PM**. Click [here](#) to find out what services are being offered and more.

## Virtual Alderman 'On the Block'

MEET WITH ALDERMAN KING ON ZOOM

The next Alderman on the Block date is June 27. To request a meeting with Alderman King, please email [ward04@cityofchicago.org](mailto:ward04@cityofchicago.org) with the subject line "AOB Meeting Request" describing your issue to secure an appointment. Call 773-536-8103 for comments, questions or concerns.

For more City info, click [here](#)

## CPD District Meetings

ADDRESS YOUR SAFETY CONCERNS

Use the CPD's online [tool](#) to find your district and beat.

## Carjacking Prevention Tips

ADDRESS YOUR SAFETY CONCERNS

There have been several instances of carjackings in our community this year, and while we are working with the Chicago Police Department to keep our neighborhoods safe, we hope that you will take heed of these [carjacking prevention tips](#) to keep yourself from being a victim.

## COVID-19 Boosters

CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

COVID-19 boosters are now available for everyone 16+ at CDPH-sponsored clinics and programs. [Click here](#) to learn more.

## Downtown Block Sees 2nd Mass Shooting Since May, With 2 Killed, 3 Wounded Friday

Four people were shot and wounded in the same area in May. “Two times

in the last two months is really alarming, and I hope it doesn’t become the new normal,” a resident said.

[Melody Mercado](#) and [Kelly Bauer](#) Jul 1, 2022

CHICAGO — An early Friday shooting Downtown left two men dead and another three wounded.

At 1:44 a.m., five men were walking out of a business in the 400 block of South Wells Street when someone took out a gun and fired shots at them, police said.

The men were leaving a bar on the block, Persona Lounge, when they got into an argument with someone else and the other person shot them, [according to CBS2](#).

A 29-year-old man was shot in his head and died, police said. A 26-year-old man who was shot in his chest also died.

A 29-year-old man was shot in his left buttocks, a 35-year-old man was shot twice in his left arm and another man was shot in his left buttocks, police said. They were taken to Northwestern Hospital in good condition.

No one was in custody. An investigation was ongoing.

Pavel Tamas, who has lived near where the shooting occurred for five years, said he heard the shooting from his apartment early Friday morning but didn’t immediately realize what he heard were gunshots. “I thought they were perhaps fireworks ... there was a bunch of [shots]. It’s hard to say an exact count, maybe in the neighborhood of like 12 to 20,” Tamas said. “You could kind of hear screams and cries outside the window and then proximately in the next 10 seconds a second volley of shooting went off.”

Another resident, who didn’t want to use his name, told Block Club he saw the aftermath unfold from his high-rise apartment nearby. He said he also mistook the rounds of gunfire for fireworks until he saw emergency response vehicles flood the scene.

Friday’s mass shooting is the “second incident of this nature” to happen in the area, according to an email sent out to residents at 235 W. Van Buren St, around the corner from the shooting. [Four people were shot and wounded May 3](#) after two men opened fire at a SUV stopped at a red light in the 400 block of South Wells.

“Being as close to our building as it is and sharing the east alley with the businesses on this street, it is important to stay safe and vigilant at all times,” the email said.

[Click here for the rest of the story.](#)



Police blockade left out after a mass shooting on the block of 400 S Wells left two dead and three injured. Melody Mercado/Block Club Chicago



## Did you know the South Loop Neighborhood Watch - Police Beat 123 has a facebook page?

We do!...and we encourage you to use it!

The South Loop Neighborhood Watch – Police Beat 123 Facebook Page is a crime communication tool intended to enable the rapid sharing of crime alerts and crime prevention news specifically for Police Beat 123. This area is the section of the South Loop that is bordered by Ida B. Wells on the north, Roosevelt Road on the South, the Chicago River on the west and Michigan Avenue on the east.

Link to Facebook group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1475398529519963/>

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Next CAPS Meeting Sept 14, 2022

6PM on Zoom Beat 123

[caps.001district@chicagopolice.org](mailto:caps.001district@chicagopolice.org)



## Police Blotter



<http://home.chicagopolice.org/>

7/4/2022, 2:55am 700 S Michigan Ave  
Armed Robbery, handgun Hotel Beat 123

7/4/2022 2am 500 S Wabash Ave  
ARMED ROBBERY Handgun on Street Beat 123

7/3/2022 7am 1200 S Wabash Ave  
STRONG ARM ROBBERY, No weapon Parking lot Beat 131

7/02/2022 7:47am 1000 S Wells St  
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, Handgun on Street Beat 123

7/01/2022 1:46am 400 S Wells St  
1<sup>st</sup> DEGREE MURDER Parking lot Beat 122

6/30/2022 8:30pm 20 E Roosevelt Rd  
STRONG ARM ROBBERY, No Weapon CTA Platform Beat 123

6/30/2022 4:42am 500 S Dearborn St  
AGGRAVATED BATTERY Knife Street Beat 123

6/29/2022 3:20am 1200 S Michigan Ave  
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, Knife CTA Bus Beat 131

6/28/2022 12:20am 1200 S Wabash Ave  
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, Knife Restaurant Beat 131

6/22/2022 7:41pm 1200 S Wabash Ave  
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT Knife Gas Station Beat 131

6/24/2022 2:30pm 1200 S Wabash Ave  
AGGRAVATED ROBBERY Handgun Grocery Store Beat 131

7/03/2022 2am 1200 S Wabash  
STRONG ARM ROBBERY, No weapon Parking lot, Beat 131

6/25/2022 6:36pm 30 E Roosevelt Rd  
STRONG ARM ROBBERY no weapon Street Beat 131

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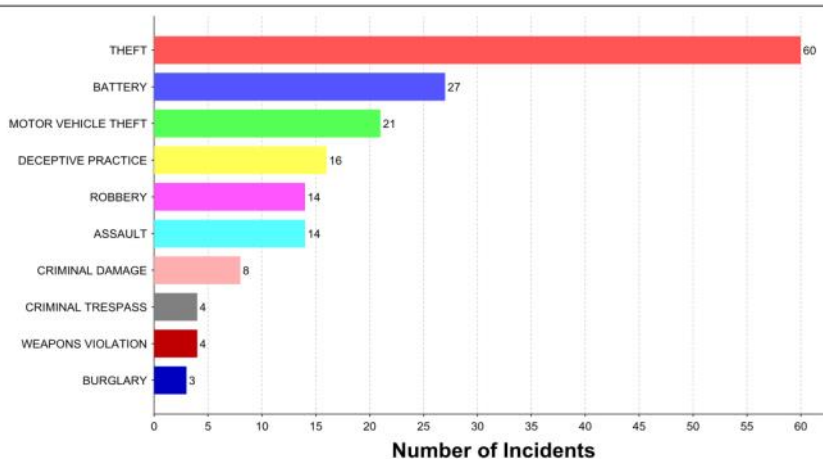
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### Top Ten Crimes From 01-Jun-2022 To 30-Jun-2022 On Beat 0123



Wednesday, July 13, 2022

### [Shootout at Roosevelt Collection Parking Garage Very Early Monday Morning](#)

A scary scene at Roosevelt Collection super early on Monday morning (via [ABC7](#)):

At least one person was injured in a shootout in the South Loop early Monday morning after a person pulling into a garage was faced with gunmen, Chicago police said.

A male victim was pulling into a garage parking lot just before 3:40 a.m. in the 1100-block of South Delano Court when a black Jeep and white sedan followed him into the structure, CPD said.

A total of five male suspects exited the Jeep and sedan and pulled out guns, according to CPD.

The victim, a concealed-carry holder, also pulled out a gun, and a shootout ensued, police said.

The suspects then ran back to their vehicles and drove away.

Several minutes earlier, three male suspects in a black Jeep got out of the vehicle and struck a 48-year-old woman in the back of the head in the 700-block of South Wells Street and demanded her property, CPD said.

<http://www.sloopin.com/>

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6/13/22

\$295,000  
431 S DEARBORN ST 1404  
6/8/22

\$375,000  
161 W HARRISON ST 302  
6/8/22

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1201 S PRAIRIE AVE 2003  
6/7/22

\$525,000  
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6/6/22

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6/6/22

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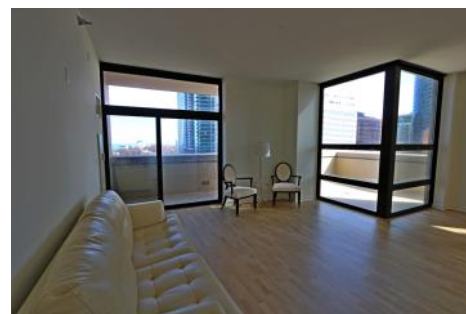
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