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## Lincoln Park High School reinstating two of three coaches

BY PATRICK BUTLER

Chicago Public School officials are reportedly gearing up to cashier another Lincoln Park High School coach and reinstate two coaches who had been ousted earlier this year. School officials, however, have still declined to tell parents about why those two teachers had been ousted in the first place.

At the time the investigation began, the school's basketball team season had been interrupted and a number of top administrators were canned, including interim principal John Thuet and his assistant, Michelle Brumfield, who were "removed from their positions. Also suspended at the time was head basketball coach Pat Gordon, and another boys head

basketball coach, Donovan Robinson, as well as girls basketball coach Larry Washington and the Dean, John Johnson, who were "reassigned."

The basketball coaches who were reinstated – Gordon and Robinson – also held other CPS jobs. Robinson is a community relations representative at another CPS school while Larry Washington, a citywide substitute teacher, "will get more training and support," district CPS Network Chief Laura LeMone said in a letter received by the Chicago Tribune.

School officials said at the time that the dismissals were due to "multiple allegations of serious misconduct involving the athletic program at Lincoln Park High School."

CPS officials said they plan to

hold a dismissal hearing for Gordon, claiming school investigators found "serious misconduct" during the investigation back in January. The hearing was announced in a recently sent letter.

When Gordon was suspended in January, CPS officials said the district had received a report of misconduct involving the boy's basketball team during what they later called an "unauthorized" trip to Michigan.

CPS officials, however, declined to provide further information regarding allegations of wrongdoing at that time.

Curiously, the dismissal letter makes no reference to Gordon's position as a coach but only his position as a school security of-

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## Halsted Triangle plans updated

BY PATRICK BUTLER

Neighbors got yet another updated view of the proposed Halsted Triangle plan during a public meeting held online on June 10.

The plan, covering the Lincoln Park area bounded by the east bank of the river, Kingsbury, Halsted St. and North Ave. was started in 2008 in collaboration with

local residents and other stakeholders. The focus includes current existing conditions including what has been described as a lack of pedestrian activity and open spaces and "non pedestrian-friendly streets and sidewalks.

The area is predominantly zoned C3-5 for industrial rather than residential uses, but much of the area east of the river has now

converted to commercial uses.

Changes in the latest version include developing a parking strategy that balances anticipated demand with minimizing traffic congestion. The study aims to create more Riverwalk and pedestrian improvements in an area where zoning changes – or lack thereof - have been discouraged despite changes in the area.

Current area trends include a 10% population hike, in which 60% of the households are single and 32% are families; 63% take public, bike and/or walk to work, and 35% own cars.

Retail vacancy increased along the Clybourn business corridor from 6.4% in 2010 to 12.8% in 2018.

The goal of the Triangle Plan is to create opportunities that is compatible with the neighborhood as it is becoming and provide an opportunity for a continuous Riverwalk and connecting a non-vehicular path system and more effectively manage traffic congestion and promote non-residential uses along the river on the eastern side of Goose Island – all the while creating a strategy that creates and encourages development compatible with the new Goose Island Planned Manufacturing in the buffer zone between the North Branch Canal of the Chicago River and Kingsbury St.

Region planners recently draft-

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## Community meeting July 15 on new River North high-rise

A virtual meeting on the proposed zoning change required to build a new 43-story residential building at 125 W. Maple St. / 1039 N. LaSalle St., will be held 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 15.

Developers Fifield Cos. is hosting an online meeting with the Gold Coast Neighbors Assoc. and

Ald. Brian Hopkins [2nd].

A zoning change from existing RM-5 to DX-7 will allow for the construction of a new 457-foot tall building containing 406 dwelling units and 146 parking spaces. For reservations or more information call 312-643-2299.

## License revoked for Concrete Cowboy

After a number of complaints from local residents about crown and noise control, the city has revoked the business license for Concrete Cowboy, 646 N. Franklin St.

The Dept. of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection revoked the licenses on June 30. Since then, Concrete Cowboy has chosen to voluntarily surrender

their businesses licenses. Concrete Cowboy is now closed at the location.

In 2019, fights and 911 calls lead the Chicago Law Dept. to file a public nuisance case against the River North nightclub, that included 50 charges relating to specific incidents of public nuisance.

At least nine arrested in Loop, more in Boystown during weekend street takeovers, Story on page 5

### BEFORE COVID CAME TO TOWN



Photo by James Matusik

### AFTER COVID CAME TO TOWN



Photo by James Matusik



Not so long ago Chicagoans relentlessly embraced the Lakefront and crammed themselves into a cultural melting pot of sun, skin, and surf. Only a year ago? Seems impossible. At top, North Ave. Beach from the July 4th weekend of 2019, while the bottom photo is from July 6. Today we hang together and patiently await a change from the often depressing "new normal."

Yet while Mayor Lori Lightfoot said that "We don't see the beaches opening up anytime soon," a cursory bike ride up and down the North Lakefront last week saw many residents at the beach and in the water. It appears the local constables may be choosing to look the other way,

leaving bathers to prove the old maxim 'Ya, you and what Army?' Perhaps as a result of her attacks on Chicago policing, the mayor appears to have lost her army, and her ability to get residents to follow her executive orders, as seen in the final photo from Leone Beach in Rogers Park.

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# Who will inject some wisdom and intelligence in Chicago?



By Thomas J. O'Gorman

It doesn't take much. All I need is to hear Carole King singing "Where you lead, I will follow" and see Lorelei Gilmore running down the stairs, grabbing daughter Rory and going to Luke's Diner. The eatery is small-town Stars Hollow's Connecticut ground zero for vittles and great coffee. And one glance from Lorelei's father, Richard, the patrician insurance executive, or her mother, the ubiquitous Emily, society conscious old school WASP matriarch, is enough to carry me off to trust fund Hartford and the ivy-coated blue bloods of yankee New England.

This is the great American soup cauldron in which the hit TV series, Gilmore Girls, unfolds. It debuted on the WB 20 years ago. But there's something about the stories and language of these episodes that juice me up. The dialogue is hip, erudite, referential and exquisite from a linguistic point of view. All of it deepens my sense of human possibility and renews my faith in small town America, the values of being a good parent, a helpful neighbor and a well-spoken char-

acter with dreams.

Yes, after watching "Tutankhamen" and "the Politician" on Netflix, I relapsed and began watching "Gilmore Girls" from the beginning. All over again.

I'm sad that the erudite actor Edward Hermann, who plays Richard Gilmore, has died in real life. He's portrayed Franklin Delano Roosevelt often, and other American presidents in his career. All he has to do is walk into a room and he sets the historic tone and mood for nuanced grace. So I am mourning him every time he appears and utters wisdom in American upper class-speak.

I love the sound of Carole King's voice. It's so triumphantly American. Like a Chesapeake clam or a Maine lobster. Eons ago Carole King was a Martha's Vineyard neighbor of ours. She was easy to know, an ever-present nearby friend. On a very rainy day on which I performed some Irish poetry, Carol without reservation sang her heart out at our piano. To Lady Bird Johnson's delight.

So Gilmore Girls is a kind of reappearing American memory for me. A reminder of how good we can be. How important old-fashioned shops are for groceries and meats. I guess Stars Hollow reminds me of my beloved Camden, Maine. My favorite place in America. The architecture and grid of the environment is right out of our colonial foundation, shaped in the dreams and ideals of lasting settlement and revolution. The Enlightenment ideals so enshrined in our Constitution,

hard work and fairness creating a nation from the wilderness.

It's important to be able to visualize the ideals that are the glue of our lasting life together and self-governance. We have no need of the Crown to guide us or rule over us. No need for its warning, however gentle. We warn ourselves of tyrants or traitors, skeptics or false prophets. We help each other find common ground and common cause without the trappings of throne or monarch. Just the strength and courage of the voter and the ballot box. Our guillotine for demagogues and local pharaohs not suited to our American tastes.

In picturesque Stars Hollow, autumnal leaves of raging orange frame the townscape of tall white steeples that soar with simplicity atop Congregational churches. A piece of living colonial antiquity that insists we all look to heaven. It's as conscious a part of everyday local life as Miss Patty's dance studio and Taylor Doose's grocery store.

Of course, I've asked myself why I find this show of such interest to me. It's a tad outside my usual frame of reference. But answering that question is good for me. First, I believe it offers comfort. Most television viewing for me revolves around murders. Usually of people in English villages peopled by Miss Marple, Hercule Poirot, or Chief Inspector Tom Barnaby.

Gilmore Girls is a 360 degree turn. There's comfort in the snapping, erudite dialogue that presents characters as sharp-witted and wise, at home in the world armed with a razor-sharp perspective on life and relationships.

There are no dull characters in Stars Hollow. People rely on their wits. A good decision utilizing writer Amy Sherman-Palladino's crisp scripts. Women aren't cheerleaders or trophies. They're full human beings. Accomplished, challenged and figuring things out. There's a comfort all about the place that still enlivens its

citizens. Especially Lorelei who found herself pregnant with Rory at 16. She really bucked her brahman privilege. The unfolding relationship of mom and daughter, as best pals, offers a comforting understanding of what goodness humans can share.

It makes me hopeful and optimistic for what's currently unfolding in Chicago these days and what the convergence of pandemic and racial unrest are doing, despite President Trump's recent Chicago criticism that we are "worse than Afghanistan."

When there is comfort in our lives I believe it permits us the chance to act with wisdom and reason. Two significant necessities that seem in short supply especially when questioning the wearing of our face masks when tearing down a statue of historic significance. Pure madness. Neither truthful or just. Tearing down statues will not "resolve the ills of the past," Nelson Mandela's widow, Graca Machel, has warned. And the CDC's bad boy, Dr. Anthony Fauci, warns everyone to keep their face masks on in public. The pandemic, he cautions, is far from over.

I hope Chicago can find some comfort for itself that will inject some wisdom and intelligence in resolving the horrific rise of weekend shootings and homicides to which the president referred. These deaths make us America's most dangerous urban outpost. Streets far too filled with bullet-ridden corpses to make clever or erudite quips no matter how beligerent our local deadbeat politicians appear.

So I think I'll just continue the quarantine and avoid all statue defilements and book burnings. I'll just sip hot chocolate with the Gilmore Girls as the snow flies in New England. Happy to see the town turn out to mourn even the passing of the Gilmores' neigh-

bor's beloved Cinnamon, the cat. He got quite a send-off.

**BODY COUNT:** Chicago tragically counted 114 shot from 12:01 a.m. July 1 through midnight July 5, with 21 total homicides. Homicides are running free.

**WHAT'S POSSIBLE:** Jewish Child and Family Services has announced that it will honor **Danny Wolf** of The Bagel Restaurant on Broadway with its "What's Possible" Award for his civic and philanthropic endeavors. Danny was born in the Theresienstadt Concentration Camp in 1944. Later after reuniting with family, Danny and his mother emigrated to the United States with help from Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society.



Danny Wolf

Later founding the Bagel Restaurant which they still operate. Danny is a long-time member of Anshe Emet Synagogue. He has been a huge support of the work of JCFS.

**GREY POUPON?** What son of a Lake Forrest billionaire was arrested for vandalism during the rioting downtown and had his Mercedes impounded, trunk filled with cans of spray paint?

**BLOODBATH:** As if the horror of the defaced lions wasn't enough, last week's big layoff at the Art Institute was chilling. Staff have been whittled down during the lockdown, reducing its full-time staff by 51 people, citing severe financial challenges resulting from the coronavirus pandemic. But a first round of layoffs came last April 10, when 25

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The Green Mill during pre-pandemic days.



Performing artists sign the wall at Le Piano, 6970 N. Glenwood Ave. Photo by Cassie Amundson



Are mosh pit, stage-crushing crowds like this 2017 concert at the Riviera Theater a thing of the past? Photo courtesy Julia Simone Paul, 101.1WKQX

# ‘Are we going to last?’

## No way to sugarcoat it, fate of local music venues is dire

BY CASSIE AMUNDSON

On Friday, June 26, state and local officials began Phase 4 of the reopening plan allowing music venues to reopen with severe restrictions, including operating at a 25% capacity, while remaining socially distanced.

Although they are allowed to reopen, many choose to remain closed.

Live entertainment, which has helped create our great American culture, is now one of the hardest hit industries throughout the pandemic. Indeed the deep late night dive into a sweaty music club is truly a multi-generational right of passage, a passage that always become cherished memories, told for generations after from aging hipsters to their wide-eyed youths.

Chicago is rife with tales from our ‘elders’ of seeing Eric Clapton drop in at the Checkerboard Lounge, the Stones at the Double Door, seeing the Grateful Dead at the Uptown Theater, Liz Phair play at the Rainbo Club, or Smashing Pumpkins on stage at Metro.

Today’s local late night music scene offers a frightening chance to dive in deep and pick up the Covid-19.

When asked about the effect of the shutdown on his business, Don Ridge, owner of the Underground Lounge, 952 W. Newport

### In-person at City Hall is back

The City Clerk’s City Hall office at 121 N. La Salle St. is now open again for walk-in customers Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., for in-person purchases. The Clerk’s offices suggests those seeking city stickers and Residents Only Parking Permits plan for longer lines and wait times due to social distancing protocols.

City Hall warns residents that they will star ticketing for expired City Stickers and residential zoned parking violations again on July 16.

Ave., a live music and DJ-oriented bar in Lakeview said, “Well, it’s devastating. I mean there’s no other way to sugarcoat it. I mean every day you think ‘How much longer is it going to go on?’ ‘Are we going to last?’ ‘Are we going to be able to get through this?’ And even if we are able to open up, is it sustainable?”

Bruce Finkelman, owner and “Head Cheese” of the Empty Bottle, 1035 N. Western Ave., a bar and music venue in Ukrainian Village, said, “It’s a terrible tragedy. You have so many of our family and employees who are out of work. We’re just trying to keep from going out of business before it’s safe to open back up.”

Many feel that with the current restrictions, it’s not feasible to reopen profitably at a 25% capacity. “I didn’t feel the pressure to open up, and plus the confines of 25%

capacity and closing at 11 p.m., really is not conducive to what we do,” said Ridge.

Andy’s Jazz Club, 11 E. Hubbard, one of Chicago’s premiere jazz venues, re-opened for business with live music July 1 before a crowd of about 12 people.

**“We’re just trying to keep from going out of business before it’s safe to open back up,” says Bruce Finkelman.**

Other independent music venues have chosen to just remain closed over opening to money-losing nights. Tonic Room, 2447 N. Halsted St., plans to stay closed for the time being. So too have Subterranean, 2011 W. North Ave., Beat Kitchen, 2100 W. Belmont, and Metro, 3730 N.

Clark St.

While all of the venues interviewed understood the reason for their capacities being restricted, they also expressed concerns about this going on for an extended amount of time. Chad Willetts, owner and artistic director of Le Piano, 6970 N. Glenwood Ave., in Rogers Park, said, “Businesses cannot be expected to take a year off and still be viable, sustainable. It’s not realistic.”

It seems as though Green Mill Jazz Club, 4802 N. Broadway, Chicago’s oldest live jazz club in Uptown, is one of the few venues reopening. Dave Jemilo, the club’s owner, expressed concerns about reopening with the current restrictions in place. He said, “Good is still bad. Good would be like if our capacity was at 44 and a half people. That’s great. As good as it gets. But it still sucks

because we’re not making much money with it, you know.”

As a result of the Phase 4 restrictions, the Green Mill is changing its pricing and regular music options to follow the stricter guidelines. “We just have really small bands,” said Jemilo. “I can’t have my 18-piece big band on Thursday because, how do you get them six-feet apart? You know what I mean. I can’t. I’ve got an eight-piece band on Tuesday. You can’t do that, so it’s not going to be the same. It’s gonna be jazz, but much smaller bands. I actually have to ... charge more for a smaller band, because I have to pay them. And, there’s hardly anyone coming in, because we can’t have a lot of people. So, it’s bad all the way around.”

We can only hope that once this is over, our cultural offerings will still remain.

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# Police Beat...

## Double shooting in Rogers Park

A couple was shot in Rogers Park July 1, marking the fifth and sixth persons to suffer gunshot wounds in the neighborhood in less than a week.

Police said the latest victims were in a car traveling northbound on the 7300 block of N. Sheridan when someone opened fire from another vehicle around 7:20 p.m.

The victims, a 26-year-old man and a 24-year-old woman, ran from the scene after their car crashed nearby, according to police and a witness. The couple later showed up at St. Francis Hospital in Evanston for treatment. Both victims list home addresses in Rogers Park.

The man suffered gunshot wounds to his chest, thigh, arm, and torso, police said. The woman was shot in her back.

Police did not have any information about the gunman or the gunman's vehicle. More than a dozen shell casings were found at the scene.

State records show the male victim has been sentenced to prison for illegal gun possession twice since 2012. His more recent sentence, a four-year term, was completed in 2017.

## Three attacked on Red Line

Three people were attacked July 2 in a pair of violent robberies on the CTA's Red Line downtown. No arrests have been made. Groups of four or five offenders were involved in both of the crimes, police said.

First, a 27-year-old man told police he was riding a northbound Red Line train near Grand when a stranger leaned close and demanded his phone around 7:30 p.m., a CPD spokesperson said. When the victim refused, three more men approached him. They punched and kned the victim in his face, then slammed his head onto the floor of the train before taking his phone and wallet, according to the spokesperson.

All four offenders fled when the train arrived at the Grand station.

An ambulance crew treated the man for injuries to his nose, eye, and head, but he did not want to go to a hospital, police said.

The victim said the robbers were Black males in their late teens or early 20's. One wore all black clothing with a black mask and another is about 6' tall and wore a baby blue shirt. About 15 minutes after the robbery, one of the victim's stolen credit cards was used at Popeye's restaurant, 156 N. Wabash.

Then, two teenagers were robbed by a group of acquaintances as they stood on the Clark-Division Red Line CTA station platform around 11:23 p.m., police said.

The victims, ages 14 and 18, said two offenders choked the 18-year-old and punched him in the stom-

ach before taking his backpack. Then, the two robbers took the younger victim's bag and ran from the station, accompanied by three other males who stood nearby during the attack.

Both victims declined medical attention. Police did not release descriptions of any suspects in the second incident.

## Woman randomly pushed onto Red Line tracks in attack

Felony charges have been filed against a woman who allegedly pushed a random CTA passenger onto the Chicago-State Red Line tracks June 30. The alleged victim is doing fine.

Police said Janis Mayes, 56, walked up behind the 31-year-old victim and



Janis Mayes

pushed her onto the tracks at 1:10 p.m. Other CTA customers helped the woman get back on the usually busy platform at 800 N. State. Mayes then fled from the station, according to a police spokesperson.

Officers searched the area and took Mayes into custody about two blocks away.

The victim reportedly identified Mayes as the attacker and the entire incident was captured by CTA surveillance cameras.

Mayes allegedly admitted to pushing the woman onto the tracks and told officers that she did not know the victim. "The incident was deemed random," the CPD spokesperson said.

An ambulance crew treated the victim at the scene for an injured ankle.

Prosecutors charged Mayes with felony aggravated battery in a public place. A judge set her bail at \$5,000.

## Four shot at River North gas station

Four people were shot at a River North gas station July 1, police said. Now, investigators are trying to determine if the shooting is connected to a series of other incidents across the city earlier in the evening.

The victims were shot as they sat in a vehicle at the Shell service station, 350 W. Chicago, around 12:37 a.m. Citing preliminary information, police said the gunman fired shots from a red sedan and then sped from the scene.

Police said the injured persons are a 26-year-old woman who was shot in the leg and grazed on her torso; a 28-year-old man who was shot in the hand; a 23-year-old man with a graze wound to his torso, and a 19-year-old man who was shot in his stomach and back.

The youngest victim is listed in critical condition and the others were in good condition at Northwestern Memorial Hospital.

About an hour after the shooting, investigators learned that a vehicle that was involved in earlier "shots fired" calls across the city was near the gas station around the time this morning's shooting. The car sped away from police officers in at least three districts on Monday evening.

Cops eventually caught up with the vehicle in the South Loop about two

hours after the Chicago Ave. shooting. Five people were detained and a weapon was recovered. But, the vehicle is not a red sedan.

## Man stabbed on Red Line train near North-Clybourn

A man is in critical condition with a stab wound to his chest following an altercation on a Red Line train in Lincoln Park July 1, police said. No arrests have been made.

Police responded to the North-Clybourn station when a woman reported that her brother had been stabbed on a southbound train around 1:19 a.m. Officers found the victim, age 33, with a stab wound to the left side of his chest.

According to police, an unknown man pulled out a knife and stabbed the victim during a fight on the train minutes earlier. The victim exited at North-Clybourn, went to street level, and sought help from a CTA station attendant.

An ambulance transported the man to Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center. Police did not release any information about the offender's description or where he went after the stabbing.

## Group of robbers targeting Rogers Park

Police are warning about two recent robberies in which five or six offenders have attacked individuals in the Rogers Park neighborhood. Detectives typically issue community alerts when they believe an individual or group is responsible for a crime pattern.

The group punches and kicks people on the street before going through the victims' pockets to collect phones and wallets.

One robbery took place in the 7000 block of N. Ashland around 3:15 p.m. June 21. The other was reported in the 1200 block of W. Arthur around 10:55 p.m. June 28.

Police said the group consists of Black males between 16- and 19-years-old, according to the alert. One stands 5'-11" to 6'-1" tall and weighs about 150 lbs. Another is about 5'-10" tall and weighs about 200 lbs. No further details were available about the remaining suspects.

Anyone with information about the cases can call Area Three detectives at 312-744-8263 about pattern P20-3-129.

## Carjackings in Loop, Bucktown

Chicago police are investigating two armed carjackings that were reported June 28 in the Loop and Bucktown. Detectives have not linked the cases.

In the Loop incident, a man and woman noticed that a dark sedan was closely trailing them as they drove downtown around 5 p.m. When the victims, ages 34 and 28, arrived on the 100 block of W. Polk, two men got out of the other vehicle and approached them.

Both men displayed handguns and ordered them from their vehicle. The victims complied and one of the gunmen drove away with their blue 2015 Jeep SRT, according to Chicago police. The other gunman fled in the offenders' dark-colored sedan, which may be a Dodge Charger, according to CPD spokesperson Kellie Bartoli.

The victim said the carjackers were two masked Black males who wore white t-shirts.

Earlier on Sunday, at least three armed men carjacked a teenager as he drove on the 2000 block of N. Avondale in Bucktown, according to Bartoli. The victim, age 15, was driving his father's black Honda CR-V around 2:15 p.m. when the driver of a gold van pulled in front of him and prevented him from moving.

A group of men, all of whom dis-

played handguns, got out of the van and ordered the teen from his car, Bartoli said. The victim complied and the offenders drove away with his car and the van.

The offenders are described as a tall, skinny White man who wore a black ski mask; a thin White man who stands about 6'-3" tall who wore a black hoodie and mask, and a Hispanic man with curly blond hair and a tattoo on one hand who wore a hoodie and mask.

Bartoli said all of the suspects appeared to be between 25- and 30-years-old.

No one is in custody for either carjacking.

## Man fatally shot near Goose Island shopping district

The Cook County medical examiner's office has identified the victim as Kenric Campbell, 26, of the Garfield Park neighborhood.

A man is dead after being shot in the Goose Island retail corridor July 5. No arrests have been made.

Kenric Campbell, 26, of the Garfield Park neighborhood, was on the 1400 block of N. Kingsbury when he was shot around 12:45 p.m., according to Chicago police. He was pronounced dead a short time later at Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center.

Police recovered a revolver at the scene that may have belonged to the victim, according to initial information. A witness told this reporter he saw 10 shell casings marked by evidence technicians at the scene.

The shooting happened outside an REI sporting goods store and investigators are working to review surveillance video from the business. A shopping center located directly across from the murder scene is anchored by PetSmart and Buy Buy Baby.

## River North dispute sparks fight

A dispute between two groups of people outside a River North bar spiraled into a shooting June 27, prosecutors said as they announced charges in the case.

Kenderic Artis, 21, is charged with attempted murder and aggravated discharge of a firearm in connection with the shooting near Dearborn and Illinois streets. Cook County Judge Mary Marubio ordered him held without bail Monday afternoon.

Artis and the 20-year-old victim did not know each other and they were with separate groups of people at Snickers Bar & Grill, 448 N. State St.

Things started to unravel when the victim and a friend stepped outside the bar around 10 p.m. That's when one of Artis' friends, who prosecutors described as "very intoxicated," walked up to the pair and repeatedly tried to sell them some pot.

After being denied several times, the intoxicated man reportedly spat on the face and neck of the victim's friend, which sparked a fight. Artis allegedly became involved.

The victim pulled Artis to the ground and Artis threatened to kill the man after he discovered a handgun in Artis' backpack, prosecutors said. Cops on patrol saw the men fighting and separated the groups.

According to prosecutors, the victim and his companion went to move their car, but found themselves being antagonized again by Artis and another man who wanted to fight again. That's when some of the victim's friends emerged from Snickers and joined the simmering feud.

Artis, who allegedly told police that he thought he saw the victim reach into his waistband for a gun, drew his own weapon and shot the victim five times, prosecutors said — three times in his legs and twice in the shoulder. As the victim limped away, Artis allegedly fired his gun again. The victim remained hospitalized as of Monday

morning. Police arrested Artis a short time later in the Loop and recovered a handgun from his backpack.

Artis admitted to police that he "pulled out the gun and did fire some shots," according to prosecutors. Artis said, "he thought that dude was clutching the front of his pants." He also allegedly admitted to discarding some of the spent shell casings from the shooting scene.

Artis has an Illinois Firearm Owner's ID card, but he is not licensed to carry a concealed weapon, according to allegations made in court. He was convicted of aggravated robbery in DuPage County as a juvenile.

## 7-Eleven targeted by robbers

Chicago police are investigating two armed robberies of the same Lincoln Park convenience store this week. The shop has been targeted by robbers at least five times since March, according to police records.

The 7-Eleven at 2619 N. Clark was robbed at gunpoint June 28 and was robbed again early July 3 by a man who was armed with a large knife, according to police. No one has been arrested.

Around 12:30 a.m. June 28, a robber posed as a customer before he pulled out a gun and demanded items from the 58-year-old clerk, CPD spokesperson Jessica Rocco said. The victim placed cigarettes, liquor, and cash into the robber's bag and the offender fled the scene. Police described the robber only as a 30- to 40-year-old man.

Officers returned to the store at 1:52 a.m. July 3, after a 911 caller reported a man was in the store with a knife. A 59-year-old clerk told police that a man pulled out a large knife and ordered him to hand over valuables, Rocco said. The victim complied and the man fled northbound on Clark St.

According to a witness, the second robber is a Black male in his early 30's who stands 5'-4" to 5'-5" tall. He was reportedly wearing a white do-rag and a white shirt.

## Woman robbed, raped near Mag Mile

A man robbed a woman as she walked near the Magnificent Mile July 4, then forced her into a minivan and sexually assaulted her, according to Chicago police. No one is in custody.

The victim, age 37, was walking eastbound on the 100 block of E. Huron when the offender rolled up in a white Honda Odyssey minivan around 7:10 a.m., police said in a community alert.

She said the man got out of the van, implied that he had a weapon, and robbed her. He then told the woman to get into his van. There, he forced her into the back seat and sexually assaulted her, police said.

The man eventually let the woman go and fled eastbound in the van.

Police described the attacker as a Black male between 20- and 26-years-old who stands 5'-4" to 5'-7" tall. He's thin, had his hair pulled back into a ponytail, and wore a black t-shirt with jeans, according to the alert.

Anyone with information about the case can contact Area Three detectives at 312-744-8261 regarding case JD-285376.

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# At least nine arrested in Loop, more in Boystown during weekend street take-overs

BY CWBCHICAGO

Chicago police on Monday refused to say how many people were arrested during an unauthorized Fourth of July celebration in the Loop this weekend. Instead, CPD told our reporter to submit a

Freedom of Information Act request if we wanted to report those statistics for you.

We do know enough to tell you about what happened downtown without CPD's help.

We also have plenty to share about what happened in Boystown July 6 when Halsted St. was again closed to accommodate a large crowd that overtook traffic lanes in an hours-long party that sparked fights and resulted in at least two arrests and four EMS runs.

The Boystown party, which was organized via social media, began around 11:30 p.m. Sunday — more than 30 minutes after the city requires bars to stop serving alcohol under COVID-19 restrictions. Fights broke out on side streets all along Halsted Street, according to residents.

Videos posted to social media show a sizable crowd taking over the intersection of Halsted and Roscoe streets. Police closed the road to traffic shortly after midnight, and it remained mostly inaccessible to vehicles until around 3:30 a.m. Monday.

One police officer was pepper-sprayed by a member of the crowd. At least three other ambulances responded to people who were injured in a series of fights.

A video posted to Snapchat shows two women fist-fighting on the 3300 block of N. Halsted St. Another Snapchat clip captured glimpses of Chicago police breaking up another fight on the steps of Roscoe's Tavern, 3356 N. Halsted.

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There were no official Fourth of July firework displays to draw people downtown this year due to the COVID-19 outbreak. But that didn't stop people from coming. Police arrested at least nine people — and likely many more — as partiers celebrated in the Loop on Saturday evening and early Sunday.

Police supervisors reported "very dense" and "dangerous" crowds throwing large fireworks near Millennium Park around 8:15 Saturday. The 1st District police commander even told officers to put on any type of eyeglasses or sunglasses to minimize the chance of being blinded by flying pyrotechnics.

The situation continued to escalate, and people in the crowd began throwing fireworks and bottles directly at police officers, prompting at least two arrests.

By 9:15 p.m., a police supervi-

sor estimated that 1,000 people were running into traffic around Millennium Park. The police department redeployed its saturation teams and many detectives to back-up officers as the situation escalated, according to a CPD source.

The Walgreens store at State and Randolph was overrun by a large group of partiers who fought in the aisles and stole merchandise, according to an employee. Another person reportedly used a shovel to break out one of the display windows at Macy's State St.

Shortly before 10 p.m., police ordered CTA trains to only run southbound from the Loop. Anyone who wanted to go north had to hike to the Clark-Division station. The maneuver was an attempt to keep the rowdy crowd from spreading into the River North neighborhood and Magnificent Mile, according to a source.

The CTA tactic was only partly successful. Around 11 p.m., officers on patrol in Streeterville reported that a group of 15 juveniles threw fireworks and a knife at their patrol car. But police did not pursue the group, and no arrests were made in connection with the incident.

Police seized at least one gun during the Loop street party. That happened near Jackson and State shortly after midnight Sunday and resulted in an arrest. Other arrests were made for jumping on and damaging police vehicles as well as battery.



## River North purse thief caught on camera

BY CWBCHICAGO

As Chicago thaws out from its months-long COVID-19 lockdown, the city's legions of criminals are eagerly returning to work. Like the people who make a living by stealing bags and purses from unsuspecting restaurant customers.

Chicago police just released a video that shows how sly those thieves can be.

The footage, recorded around 8:15 p.m. June 13, shows a man taking a handbag that someone left on the ground while they sat in a restaurant's sidewalk dining area. Police said the incident took place on the 100 block of W. Illinois, but the footage shows a sidewalk cafe on the 400 block of N. Clark in front of Enolo Wine Cafe.

A man dressed in a blazer, jeans, and baseball cap walks past the cafe and looks like he's going to cross the street. But the bag,

wedged under the cafe's wooden railing, catches his eye.

The apparent thief circles back and pretends to pay a parking meter while pulling the bag toward him with his left foot. He takes off his blazer and uses it to hide the bag as he picks it off the ground and walks away.

Detectives are trying to identify the man. Anyone with information can call Detective Saud Haidari at 312-744-8263 about case JD263409.

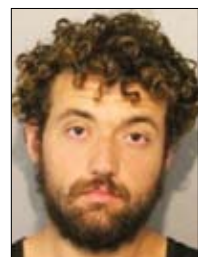
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## Mag Mile panhandler stole pricey accessories because people weren't giving him money

BY CWBCHICAGO

A North Carolina man broke into a Magnificent Mile boutique and stole high-end merchandise Sunday because people weren't giving him money for panhandling, according to prosecutors.



Austin Kentz

Austin Kentz, 18, admitted to throwing a brick through a display window and taking a belt, backpack, and shoes from MCM, 540 N. Michigan, police said. The sto-

len merchandise was reportedly worth \$1,785.

Witnesses told police that a group of people boarded a CTA bus after stealing property from the store window around 9 p.m. Cops stopped the bus on the 300 block of N. State a few minutes later.

Inside the bus, police recovered the backpack, belt, shoes, eight

purses, and other merchandise from the store. Additional suspects were detained on the bus, but witnesses were only able to identify Kentz.

He later told police that he was experiencing homelessness and people weren't giving him enough money when he asked for handouts on the street, according to court records.



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employees in primarily part-time or temporary positions were let go. The AIC attracts 1.6 million visitors each year, but expects a 70% reduction in that number when it reopens after a 20-week shutdown. But a critical letter signed by 186 employees sent to president **James Rondeau** and museum department chairs calls for transparency and racial equity in the layoffs.

**GOOD AS NEW:** Attorney **Dan Balanoff** working with **Josue Santiago, Victor Santiago, Vanessa Santiago** and **Adam Schlesinger** at Victor's Sportswear in the Hermosa neighborhood near Logan Square, using the power tools to get the popular establishment up and running after looting and vandalism shut it down. Proving friendship is stronger than urban pillaging.

**GRACIOUS LADY:** The passing of **Rosalie Clark**, 95, Chicago's longtime chief of protocol, must be noted for the sophisticated grace and highly intelligent style she brought to her post. Often she was the face and reasoned wit that world leaders first encountered on their visit to Chicago. At City Hall I often worked with her on special assignments when French was the common language and diplomacy was the order of the day. **Bill Clark**, her husband, served as Illinois Attorney General and served with distinction on the Illi-



Protocol Chief Rosalie Clark (left) with the Gorbachevs on their first visit to Chicago in May, 1992.



Nobel Laureate John Hume, Ambassador Kennedy Smith and Pat Hume.

nois Supreme Court. He also once ran for Illinois governor. He connected her to the Clark Family, a brahman line of Illinois politicians going back generations. Rosalie was always fresh, erudite, charming and prepared. She gilded Chicago's lily.

**THE LAST KENNEDY:** We were saddened to learn of the death of former U.S. Ambassador **Jean Kennedy Smith** last week at 92. I was honored to receive an invite for her memorial last Thursday. Alas, I must remain quarantined for the funeral of the last surviving Kennedy of the JFK generation. The youngest of the Kennedy girls. The quiet Kennedy sister to many. But on this day it must be said, the most savvy, uncontrollable ally and unstoppable friend Ireland may ever have had. She was President **Bill Clinton's** choice for Ambassador to Ireland. Her senate confirmation hearing

was one for the books. She landed in Dublin and hit the ground running in an era of turmoil, bloodshed, dead-ended peace and British intransigence. Before it was over we had the Good Friday Accords, **John Hume** with a Nobel Prize for peace. **Gerry Adams** and **Sinn Fein** at the peace table and the Irish Republic discovering strength and muscle on the world stage and with an economy second to none. **Jean Kennedy Smith** didn't do it all on her own. But she developed a network for peace and stability like no one else. She crossed the Northern Irish border on a regular basis, a diplomatic move most irregular. But she wasn't just the U.S. Ambassador, she was a Kennedy. She enjoyed, in Ireland, all that mythic Kennedy magic.

She opened the embassy house to receptions and dinners bringing together people essential to peace. Poets, politicians, dancers, American movers and shakers, cultural totems, and people who could help change the world. I never thought she got the credit she deserved. She was often the bane of British political intentions and strategies. She and Clinton waged a psychological war with Britain over the stale bankrupt policies of life in Northern Ireland. Ambassador **Jean Kennedy Smith** was kind to me personally in that era. I was managing editor of the *World of Hibernia* magazine in New York.

We did a feature on her and she gave me access, hospitality and friendship. She continued being a valued friend. Unlike any of her predecessors in our embassy, she walked the streets of Dublin with a natural sense of belonging. I mourn her today as a great



Mark Olley



Bears in Paris.

American diplomat who could smell the possibilities of peace where others feared to look. Beyond all other Kennedy family causes and gifts, **Jean Kennedy Smith** had just the right touch at just the right moment to make peace real and lasting. She is the mother of Chicagoan **Dr. William Kennedy Smith**. I am reminded of the words of her poet/friend **Seamus Heaney** - "History says, don't hope on this side of the grave. But then, once in a lifetime the longed-for tidal wave of justice can rise up and hope and history rhyme."

**PRIDE 2020: Michael Fustin**

notes that while we can't have a Pride parade, outdoor festivals or large parties, we can have cake. Thanks Bittersweet, with **Paul Hickey** at Bittersweet Pastry Shop.

**RL NEWS: Karin Carlson** and **Wynnis Mackie** snagged a minute at **Ralph Lauren Bar & Grill** with **Jimmy**, the bartender, in a mask now that they have reopened the patio. They are taking reservations which are a must.

**PAPAL BRO:** Monsignor **Georg Ratzinger**, the older brother of Pope emeritus **Benedict XVI**, died July 1 in the German city of **Regensburg**, at the age of 96.

**SUNNY SIDE UP:** That was fashionista **Mark Olley's** idea when he put on that fabulous yellow jacket that he wore in a charity fashion show last year to

support the Chicago Lighthouse. He bought the coat and hopes its brilliant Summer tone brings enjoyment to everyone.

**SUMMER IN PARIS: Cynthia Olson** shared a snap of the giant stuffed toy bears that are popping up all over Paris. They are the brainchildren of **Monsieur Phillips**, a creative director of a book store on **Rue Gobelins**. He thought they would cheer Parisians up in the lockdown.

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## Police warn of Red Line robberies in North, Lincoln Park

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First CTA ridership drops 90% due to the pandemic lockdown and now those still brave enough to catch a train face the threat of robbery.

Chicago police have issued a community alert after three robberies were reported on the CTA's Red Line July 2 between Lincoln Park and the Loop. The robberies took place at or near the Fullerton, Grand, and Clark-Division Red Line stations.

Detectives usually release community alerts when they believe a group of people is responsible for committing a series of crimes.

Multiple offenders approached CTA customers on trains or platforms and demanded the victims' valuables, according to the alert. Police said the robbers physically attacked and then robbed victims who refused to comply.

Police describe the perpetrators as male, African Americans, about 19 years of age.

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## CPS hosts annual community engagement sessions

The Chicago Public School's Annual Regional Analysis [ARA] is a series of reports detailing enrollment, student demographics, school choice and programming quality which hopes to foster conversations about opportunities for improvement throughout Chicago's public schools.

This meeting is for the North Lakefront, Northwest Side, Far Northwest Side regions.

They are hosting a virtual workshop 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Thursday seeking feedback and ideas on the ARA.

At the online forum, residents can learn more about how it connects to the district's recent community engagement efforts on school funding, capital planning and more.

Attendees must register online, for more information call 773-553-1000.

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In response to the need for PPE during the COVID-19 crisis, Tanya Polsky and other moms of students at Latin School at North Ave. and Clark St. started an effort to produce and donate masks to organizations in need in Chicago. The effort, Sewing Masks for a Safe Chicago, donates high quality masks to frontline healthcare workers, emergency first responders, homeless shelters, food pantries, and other organizations in greatest need. It also supports jobs in the local community, especially in a sector hard hit by the economic impacts of COVID-19. The effort has employed up to 55 local full-time seamstresses and tailors who are making up to 5,000 high-quality cotton face masks per day. The effort has been supported by donations through a GoFundMe page with a goal of producing and donating 100,000 masks," said Polsky.

Photo courtesy Tanya Polsky

## Summer learning now underway at library

Starting Monday, library users can go online or head to your neighborhood library to register for Building Stories: Summer Learning Challenge 2020.

At the library, users can pick up an Explorer's Guide—an activity book filled with activities to try at the library or at home. The guide offers puzzles, design challenges and hands-on STEAM activities (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) in the guide and online.

Use the log in the Explorer's Guide or download and print from [www.chipublib.org](http://www.chipublib.org) a PDF of the English log or Spanish log to track what you do this summer:

- Read: 500 minutes or more over the summer. Read books, magazines, comics,

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- Discover: Complete at least one hands-on activity. Try a library activity, try a Museum of Science and Industry Summer Brain Game or other STEAM activity or explore something new.

- Create: Make at least one creation. Make art, write a story or design something new.

Children up to age five who register receive a free book while supplies last. Parents and caregivers who read, discover and create along with their children and complete a log will have a chance to win a technology package.

## Green City Market BBQ at home

Green City Market will be bringing BBQ to you 5:30 p.m., Thursday, July 16 when they will feature cook-a-longs and demos from notable chefs — including Cedric Harden of River Roast, Paul Virant of Vie, Vistro, and Gaijin, and Seth Bradley and Ryan Van Voorhis of Nude Dude Food.

Green City Market's Chef BBQ 2020 will take place via live stream. The event will be available to view for free to the community, featuring demos from their featured chefs. It also is intended to highlight local Midwest products from farmers and drive support to local restaurant community and local farmers. For more information call 773-880-1266.

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ficer.

But the School Council, teachers and students who backed the ousted teachers and administrators still want CPS to explain further who the discipline took place to start with.

"I've always supported punishment with proven accusations, but now they're reinstated people without admitting they didn't do anything serious," said John Moser, a parent representative on the Local School Council. "They were accused without evidence, punished and treated as guilty."

The investigation reportedly involved allegations of teacher/student and student/student sexual activity, CPS officials told

parents when they first came to light, but gave no further details, Moser said. School officials, however, declined to share other information, citing privacy concerns. The CPS did not respond to this reporter's requests for comment.

At one point the school was reportedly under five different investigations.

William Choslovsky, a lawyer representing the three coaches, said CPS officials started out citing several misconduct allegations ranging from sexual misconduct to financial mismanagement of athletic program accounts to financial mismanaging of athletic program records, improper student discipline and more. He added however that in the end, he expects to see all the charges overturned.

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ed an update intended to summarize those initiatives and trends and to provide recommendations to guide future growth and to encourage a more vibrant and pedestrian-friendly experience. The update recommends allowing future developments to propose a mix of uses, including residential, east of Kingsbury St., all the while promoting a sustainable development plan and neighborhood way-finding system. The plan hopes to maintain current zoning and encourage development compatible with the adjacent Goose Island Planned Manufacturing District.

The plan, will serve as a "Buffer Zone" for all-industrial development uses on Goose Island with no residential or outdoor dining or entertainment allowed, while

some of the still-under-consideration projects include "alternative modes" of transportation and a school impact study.

According to the study at this point, increased density and more transportation should lead to fewer parking lots and one-story buildings and encourage more walkability near places like the Red Line CTA station at Clybourn and North Ave.

Planners promise to continue gathering public feedback before preventing a final plan for adoption at a still to be announced date.

On hand at the June 10 program were local aldermen Walter Burnett Jr. [27th] and Brian Hopkins [2nd], along with city Dept. of Development Comr. Kathy Dickhut; Assistant Comr. Cindy Roubik; Chicago Plan Comm. Mgr. Noah Szafraniec; and Chicago Region Planner Josh Son.

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