Volunteers say buses of 2023 that goal than to the beginning of the process. In the meantime, he hopes to acquire the original stained glass windows from the building. He doesn't know when he'll be able to open back up as a neighborhood tavern, but believes he's closer to his goal than he thought. He hopes to bring back the history and charm of the East Side Tap. 

Historic Places. That and its official landmark status in Chicago — one of eight Tied Houses on the city list — make it even more significant. 

An art deco display case behind the bar at East Side Tap in Chicago. While the old buildings and its notable tied house place in Chicago history are great elements, Medina said he's more interested in the history of the building itself. 

Grba also holds a place in baseball lore. The bar itself, and its Art Deco backsplash, likely date to when Schlitz had to divest the tied house taverns in the 1960s. It was probably much more ornate, and considered out of style when the new owners were again serving beer a few years later. 

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The gathering was a way to "shine a spotlight on preservation in the Calumet region," Stricker said, a theme that runs throughout the South Town neighborhood. About 40 people congregated in the tavern's backroom to hear about Medina's efforts.

Four years later, he opened his doors Sept. 8 for a small gathering of interested people at an event. Medina turned to his wife, and said, "Good news baby!" They said you can buy it, or otherwise I'm going to strip it. We're going to take the globe off and sell the metal. The globe itself is worth about $5,000, he said. 

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Tied houses were historically used as beer clubs, but they were also used as meeting places for community members. They were often located near steel mills, or be back aboard ships on the Great Lakes. 

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