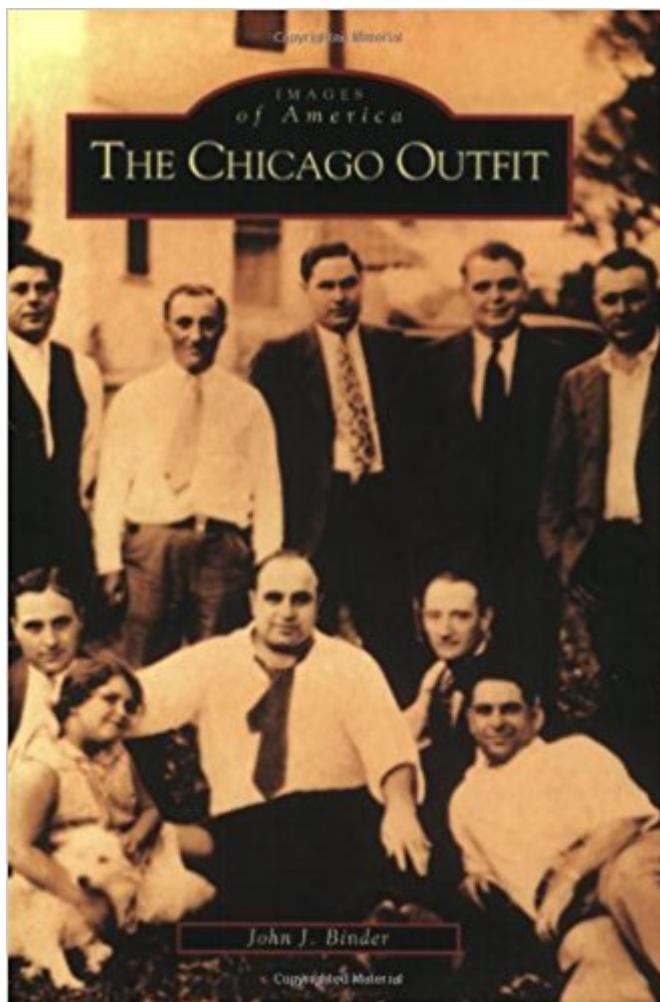


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Synopsis

No business, legitimate or otherwise, has had a more raucous influence on the history of a city than that of the Outfit in Chicago. From the roots of organized crime in the late 19th century to the present day, The Chicago Outfit examines the evolution of the city's underworld, focusing on their business activities and leadership along with the violence and political protection they employed to become the most successful of the Cosa Nostra crime families. Through a vivid and visually stunning collection of images, many of which are published here for the first time, author John Binder tells the story of the people and places of the world of organized crime from a fresh and informed point of view.

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Mr. Binder has been researching and studying organized crime in Chicago for over 12 years. He was the president of the Merry Gangsters Literary Society and the historical advisor on the A&E biography Al Capone and the History Channel's The St. Valentine's Day Massacre.

good read

Just O.K. Lots of commonly found photos and does not include "90's - current Chicago mobsters like the DiFranzo brothers.

I thought that the research was excellent and the information was presented in an interesting, yet

educational format. Having lived near Chicago and visiting many, many times it was great to get the goods on the organized crime and some of the background on what made Chicago what it is today. I am personal friends with the neice of one of the books long running Outfit standouts and we have mentioned this book to a lot of her travel groups. Two thumbs up for the pictures and descriptions. Mayor Daily may have tried to wipe out the past in the 1960's, but history is what history was and closing your eyes, sticking your fingers in your ears while yelling, "la-la-ls-la" while having important landmarks torn down is not the way to deal with this bit of history.

very good history of old time crime .good writing by John Binder, knows what he writes about brief, interesting history of the Chicago mob.

It is a good reference about Chicago and who the mob characters were!!

excellent set of pictures from this time period

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