Men climb 1,100ft construction Elevator

Two suburban men have been charged with misdemeanors for allegedly scaling the construction elevator of a Loop skyscraper for more than 72 floors on Saturday evening, June 6th 2019 police said. Police say Daniel Pierce, 28, of Plainfield and 28-year-old David Gonyea of Aurora were arrested when they returned to the ground after climbing hundreds of feet into the air on the side of Vista Tower, 345 East Wacker Drive. A Snapchat user captured images of two men starting their ascent of the tower around 7:10 p.m. Callers began reporting the climbers, and the 911 calls kept coming as the men came into view of residents in nearby high-rises. Witnesses said the pair reached at least the 72nd floor of the 93-story 1,198-foot project before turning around and working their way back to Mother Earth. Both men were charged with one count of misdemeanor reckless conduct and one count of criminal trespass to land. Coincidentally, Pierce and Gonyea were arrested together in southwest suburban Romeoville on Jan. 22nd, according to reports. Gonyea was charged with traffic violations and held on a DuPage County warrant. Pierce was held on an order out of Will County, the report said.

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