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U.S. judge incensed at city's law team

Counsel accused of sitting on evidence in cop shooting suit

BY JASON MEISNER
Chicago Tribune

A normally mild-mannered federal judge shook with anger Friday as she excoriated lawyers for the city's Law Department for a series of "distressing" evidentiary blunders in a lawsuit over a Chicago police-involved shooting scheduled to go to trial later this month.

"I am really dismayed," said U.S. District Judge Rebecca Pallmeyer, who made it clear that she intends to sanction the city for its repeated failures in the suit over an August 2015 shooting that wounded Jaquise Evans, then 16.

Evans' lawyers have accused the city of failing to turn over crucial evidence in the case, including several citizen complaints against Sgt. Richard Salvador that were only disclosed in the eleventh hour as well as a Facebook video depicting Salvador threatening and verbally abusing a handcuffed suspect just weeks before the officer shot Evans.

Pallmeyer was already considering issuing sanctions for those issues when it was revealed Thursday that Salvador was named in another recent civil rights lawsuit even though he had testified under oath that he wasn't involved in any other litigation. In fact, Salvador was represented in both cases by the same city lawyer, Assistant Corporation Counsel Scott Cohen, who failed to notify Evans' attorneys about the suit.

In court Friday, Cohen tried to explain that while he did represent Salvador in the other case, he'd had "no interaction" with him before the matter settled in 2016. Though Cohen was present when Salvador gave his deposition in the Evans matter that September, he said Friday he simply didn't realize it was the same officer.

That explanation clearly irked Pallmeyer, who is normally known for her even-keeled temperament but seemed to be struggling to control her anger on the

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Senate drama ends in government shutdown



MELINA MARA/WASHINGTON POST

Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., talks to the media after returning from a meeting earlier Friday with President Donald Trump.

Lawmakers try to reach deal past deadline on stopgap bill

BY MIKE DEBONIS,
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AND ELISE VIEBECK
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Congress failed to avert the first federal government shutdown in more than four years Friday after senators rejected a temporary spending patch and bipartisan efforts to find an alternative fell short at the midnight deadline.

Republican and Democratic leaders both said they would continue to talk to authorize funding for the government, however, raising the possibility of a solution over the weekend.

Office of Management and Budget Director Mick Mulvaney said the conflict has a "really good chance" of being resolved before government offices open Monday, suggesting that the shutdown's impact could be limited.

Still, both parties remained at odds as they each confronted major political risks with 10



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Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., could not cobble together a deal as the chamber failed to get to the 60-vote threshold.

months to go until the midterm elections.

Republicans, who hold the White House and both congressional majorities, resolved not to

submit to the minority party's demands to negotiate, while Democrats largely unified to use the shutdown deadline to force concessions on numerous issues

— including protections for hundreds of thousands of young immigrants.

The White House said it will not negotiate with the Democrats on immigration until the end of the federal shutdown.

White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said in a statement that, "We will not negotiate the status of unlawful immigrants while Democrats hold our lawful citizens hostage over their reckless demands."

She added, "When Democrats start paying our armed forces and first responders we will reopen negotiations on immigration reform."

The standoff culminated in a late-night Senate vote that fell 11 votes shy of a 60-vote hurdle, likely sending congressional leaders and President Donald Trump back to the starting line after days of political posturing on all sides.

"Not looking good for our great

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Pritzker bears brunt of rivals' blows

Candidate attacked for Cook tax breaks, ties to Blagojevich

BY RICK PEARSON
AND KIM GEIGER
Chicago Tribune

Billionaire J.B. Pritzker found himself at the center of an attack-filled forum Friday as Democratic governor rivals accused him of being an insider who benefited from property tax breaks and questioned his relationship with former Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

Another top contender, businessman Chris Kennedy, gave kudos to the politician he's trying to oust, Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner. During a post-forum media availability, Kennedy said Rauner "should be applauded for" speaking truth to power in taking on entrenched Democratic interests.



At a forum Friday before the Tribune Editorial Board, governor candidates, facing from left, Daniel Biss, J.B. Pritzker and Chris Kennedy sparred over property tax breaks.

Kennedy's unusual compliment of Rauner followed a 75-minute discussion among the six Democratic governor candidates before the Chicago Tribune Editorial Board.

Rauner, who's seeking a second term, wasn't a big part of the discussion. The candidates mainly focused on each other, reflecting the intensifying battle for the Democratic nomina-

tion ahead of the March 20 primary election.

Bearing the brunt of that was Pritzker, an heir to the Hyatt Hotel fortune who

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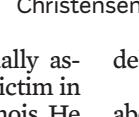
Death penalty sought in U. of I. student killing

Prosecutors receive Sessions' approval

BY JASON MEISNER
Chicago Tribune

Federal prosecutors announced Friday they will seek the death penalty for a former University of Illinois graduate student accused of kidnapping, torturing and killing a visiting scholar from China in June.

In making the announcement, prosecutors alleged for the first time that Brendt Christensen "choked and sexually assaulted" another victim in 2013 in central Illinois. He also has claimed "additional victims" and expressed a "desire to be known as a killer," according to prosecutors.



Christensen

being held without bond, had tentatively been set to go to trial Feb. 27 in federal court in Urbana on a charge of kidnapping resulting from the disappearance of 26-year-old Yingying Zhang, whose body has not been found.

The decision to seek the death penalty — which required the approval of U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions — means that the trial will likely be delayed for months.

The death penalty was abolished in Illinois state court in 2011 after years of allegations of deep flaws in the state's justice system. In certain cases,

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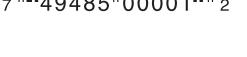


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Women's March Chicago 2018: If you go

In January 2017, an estimated 250,000 demonstrators filled downtown during the Women's March on Chicago, which shut down parts of the Loop one day after the inauguration of President Donald Trump. Saturday's March to the Polls shifts the focus from resistance against a new administration to influencing future local, state and midterm elections.

When: Saturday

Where: Attendees can enter the rally area at the intersection of Columbus Drive and Congress Parkway. An accessible entrance is available at Columbus and Monroe Drive.

Schedule

9 a.m.: Videos and music play as the rally area opens.
11 a.m.: Rally begins (seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis). An accessible viewing area will be located near the stage.
12:30 p.m.: March begins, wrapping up at Federal Plaza on Dearborn Street. Those unable to march can remain in the rally area. Columbus and Jackson drives will remain closed until 2 p.m.
More information: womens121marchonchicago.org.

Getting there

Public transit: Metra and Chicago Transit Authority are planning additional service for the event. Check metrarail.com and transitchicago.com for details.

■ Metra will be adding trains Saturday on the BNSF and Union Pacific North, Northwest and West lines.

■ CTA will operate longer trains on the Blue, Brown, Green, Orange and Purple lines from 5 a.m. to 3 p.m. Multiple bus routes are available to Grant Park, and extra service will be provided on the No. 147 Outer Drive Express bus from 8 to 10 a.m.

Cars: Organizers recommend the Millennium Garages for the closest, most convenient parking options. Spaces can be purchased in advance on this website.

Buses: Coach bus drop-off is at Balbo and Columbus drives.

Speaker lineup

■ Tahera Ahmad, associate chaplain and director of Interfaith Engagement, Northwestern University
■ Bridget Gainer, Cook County commissioner
■ Lisa Madigan, Illinois attorney general
■ Quiana McKenzie, regional campaign finance adviser, Emily's List
■ Channyn Lynne Parker, project manager, Chicago House's TransLife Project
■ Rep. Jan Schakowsky, U.S. House of Representatives
■ Chakena Sims, board of directors, Chicago Votes
■ Tom Steyer, founder and president, NextGen America
■ K. Sujata, president and CEO, Chicago Foundation of Women
■ Celina Villanueva, New Americans Democracy Project, Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights
■ Suzette Wright, former Chicago Ford Assembly Plant employee

Performers

■ Bryant Jones Choir, featuring Deborah Lane
■ "Hamilton" cast members, featuring Ari Asfar
■ Bridget Marie, ZaZaZa Disco
■ Second City's "She the People" comics
■ So Chi Voices
■ Faces for Radio

Accessibility

Organizers have detailed plans to accommodate people with disabilities at the rally and during the march, which are available on the group's website.

What to bring

Organizers suggest:
■ Hand-held signs (leave poles or sticks to hold them at home)
■ Small, clear bags (larger backpacks and bags are allowed, but not recommended)
■ Snacks and drinks (no vendors will be at the rally area)

Weather forecast

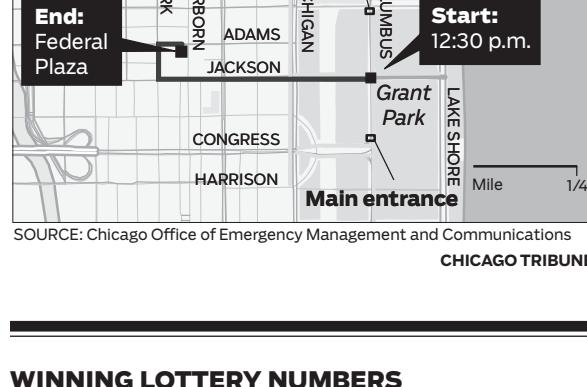
Saturday will be partly cloudy but mild with highs in the low to mid-40s and a 20 percent chance of precipitation, according to WGN-TV.

Sources: Tribune reporting, Women's March Chicago, Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications

Women's March Chicago route

Saturday, site opens at 9 a.m.

Streets closed: 10 p.m. Fri. to 6 p.m. Sat.



SOURCE: Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications

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Mega Millions jackpot: \$55M	Daily 4 midday 6155 / 6
Pick 3 midday 687 / 0	Daily 3 evening 419 / 5
Pick 4 midday 8678 / 4	Daily 4 evening 5680 / 5
Lucky Day Lotto midday 02 03 05 23 34	Cash 5 04 11 13 34 45

Pick 3 evening 916 / 1

Pick 4 evening 1913 / 0

Lucky Day Lotto evening
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Jan. 20 Lotto: \$4M

Jan. 20 Powerball: \$78M

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Pick 3 257

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MARK WILSON/GETTY

President Trump met with Sen. Chuck Schumer on Friday. Schumer said "we still have a good number of disagreements."

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Military or Safety & Security on the very dangerous Southern Border," Trump tweeted before the decisive vote. "Dems want a Shutdown in order to help diminish the great success of the Tax Cuts, and what they are doing for our booming economy."

The early contours of the blame game appeared to cut against Trump and the Republicans, who control all levers of government but cannot pass major legislation without at least partial support from Senate Democrats.

According to a Washington Post-ABC News poll, Americans said by a 20-point margin that they would blame a shutdown on Trump and the GOP rather than Democrats.

A government shutdown causing employee furloughs has never occurred under unified party control of Congress and the White House.

The midnight drama came after an unusually tranquil day inside the Capitol, where visible tensions remained at a low simmer as various parties undertook quiet talks to discuss ways to avoid the shutdown.

Republicans started the day eager to show a united front: House Speaker Paul Ryan and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell met Friday morning, determined to hold firm to a strategy they had crafted nearly a week prior: Make Democrats an offer they could not refuse by attaching a long-term extension of the Children's Health Insurance Program, or CHIP, as well as the delay of some unpopular

health-care taxes. And if they did refuse, the leaders believed, the public backlash would be intense — particularly in states where vulnerable Democratic senators are seeking re-election in November.

McConnell delivered a morning salvo on the Senate floor, declaring that Democrats had been led into a "box canyon" by Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y.

But by midday, McConnell's strategy threatened to be upended by Trump — who phoned Schumer and invited him to the White House for a private meeting with no other congressional leaders.

That immediately raised Republicans' suspicions on Capitol Hill that Trump might be tempted to cut a deal with his fellow New Yorker — much as he did in the early stages of a September standoff — that would undercut the GOP negotiating strategy and produce a deal that congressional conservatives could not stomach.

White House aides assured top congressional leaders that no deal would emerge from the meeting, that it was merely meant to gauge the posture of Schumer and the Democrats. Republicans exhaled when that turned out to be so.

"We made some progress, but we still have a number of disagreements," Schumer declared upon returning to the Capitol.

What ensued for the remainder of the afternoon was a silent standoff, as it became increasingly clear that Republicans would not be able to lure

enough Democrats to pass their preferred funding patch.

For a few Democratic senators, a vote to spark a shutdown was too tough to swallow — even for Doug Jones of Alabama, who faced his first major political dilemma since winning a December special election in a campaign that emphasized his support for CHIP.

"I have made a strong commitment in my state to 150,000 children who need health insurance," he said, announcing his decision to reporters late Friday.

He joined Democratic Sens. Joe Donnelly, Ind., Joe Manchin, W.Va., Heidi Heitkamp, N.D., and Claire McCaskill, Mo., all of whom face tough paths to re-election in states that supported Trump in 2016 and voted to keep the government open.

But Michigan Sens. Gary Peters and Debbie Stabenow, meanwhile, announced they would both vote against the measure, bolstering the margin opposed to the bill. Four Republicans were also opposed: Sens. Jeff Flake, Ariz., Mike Lee, Utah, Rand Paul, Ky., and Lindsey Graham, S.C.

Republicans spent much of the day attacking Democrats.

"I think the longer it goes on, the more the American people see the hypocrisy on the Democratic side," said Rep. Tom Cole, R-Okla., a veteran of several shutdown dramas.

Democrats, meanwhile, pointed to other parts of the historical record — notably, a Trump tweet from May: "Our country needs a good 'shutdown' in September to fix mess!"

ACCURACY AND ETHICS

MARGARET HOLT, standards editor

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■ A photo caption accompanying a Page 1 story Friday incorrectly stated when the photo was taken. The subject, an Amazon employee, was in a company building in Seattle in October.

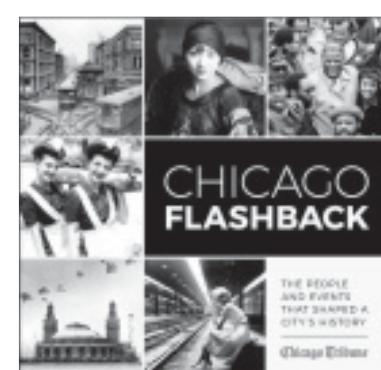
■ A story Friday about American Airlines' new Chicago-to-New York shuttle service gave an incorrect last name for United spokesman Charlie Hobart.

■ Phil Rosenthal's Friday sports media column recalling the University of Houston's 1968 basketball victory over UCLA incorrectly said it was the first loss for Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (then known as Lew Alcindor) since his freshman year of high school. It was his second. He lost one game as a high school senior.

The Tribune regrets the errors.

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Drew Peterson won't get new trial

Top court upholds his conviction for murder of 3rd wife

By MATTHEW WALBERG
Chicago Tribune

Drew Peterson's options for getting a new trial for the 2004 murder of his third wife, Kathleen Savio, have grown thinner after the Illinois Supreme Court on Friday declined to rehear his appeal.

In denying his petition for rehearing, the court reissued the opinion it put forth in September upholding Peterson's conviction. In the 40-page opinion, the court unanimously rejected all of the former Bolingbrook police sergeant's arguments — including that the trial court should not have allowed witnesses to

testify about what his fourth wife, Stacy Peterson, told them about her husband's involvement in Savio's death shortly before Stacy Peterson disappeared in October 2007.

The court also rejected arguments that his flamboyant team of attorneys failed to give him effective legal representation when his lawyers allowed a divorce attorney to testify that Stacy Peterson asked him if she could use her knowledge of the defendant's role in Savio's death as leverage in divorce proceedings.

Peterson was convicted of murder in 2012 and sentenced to 38 years in prison. He immediately began his fight to have the conviction overturned. After an appellate court upheld the conviction in 2015, he appealed to the state Supreme Court.

Will County state's attorney's spokesman Charles Pelkie said the office was "very pleased with the ruling," but Peterson's attorney vowed to continue the fight.

Peterson's trial was an "unfair proceeding, tailored to achieve a conviction," attorney Steve Greenberg said in an emailed statement.

"Because we are right, and because we believe in the system, we will continue to appeal and hope that some court has to courage to do what's right under the law," he said.

Even if the Supreme Court overturned the conviction and granted him a new trial, there is virtually no chance that he will ever be a free man, because at the same time he was trying to win a new trial, he was also scheming to have his nemesis — Will County State's Attorney James Glasgow — murdered. In May 2016, a Randolph County, Ill., jury found Peterson guilty of trying to have one of his fellow inmates at Menard Correctional Center in downstate Chester hire a relative to kill Glasgow.

However, the inmate — Antonio "Beast" Smith — tipped off law enforcement authorities of Peterson's plan and then worked with authorities to record hours of incriminating conversations.

Months later, Peterson was quietly transferred to a federal prison known for its severe restrictions on inmates' ability to communicate with people outside the prison.

Peterson is the sole suspect in the disappearance of Stacy Peterson, authorities have said, but he has not been charged in her case.

Peterson, 64, is eligible for parole in 2081.

Murder convict on trial for robbery

Man charged with 'violent ambush' in Woodstock home

By AMANDA MARRAZZO
Chicago Tribune

A convicted murderer who shot and killed an Elgin man nearly 20 years ago is now on trial for felony armed robbery and other charges in McHenry County.

Authorities say Brian O'Dell, of Hanover Park, instigated a "violent ambush" on four people as they entered a Woodstock apartment last summer.

In addition to armed robbery, O'Dell, 39, is charged with unlawful restraint, mob action and armed violence. He also faces a steeper sentence, if convicted, for allegations that he possessed a firearm

as a felon and is a habitual armed criminal, according to court records.

In 2000, O'Dell pleaded guilty in Kane County to second-degree murder for the shooting death two years earlier of 28-year-old Robert Reimann in Carpentersville. Authorities said at the time that O'Dell shot Reimann in the head with a .22-caliber handgun during an argument over a drug deal gone bad. O'Dell received a 14-year prison sentence after his guilty plea.

In this new case, McHenry prosecutors allege that in the early hours of June 28 last year, O'Dell and another man, who has not been identified or charged, "ambushed" and "viciously attacked" four people as they walked into the home of a friend of O'Dell's.

At the start of the trial Wednesday, Assistant State's Attorney Randi Freese said O'Dell and the other man hid in the home and launched a surprise attack as the group walked into a darkened kitchen.

According to prosecutors and trial testimony, one woman was dragged into a bathroom, hit on the head with a gun, threatened and had her cellphone stolen by O'Dell, while two men were brutally beaten with a gun, pots and pans. One of the men testified that O'Dell stole his wallet.

O'Dell and the other man took off in a black Cadillac, leading police on a high-speed chase through Woodstock and Marengo, according to trial testimony.

The woman who lived in the apartment, O'Dell's

friend, told police where O'Dell lived, and when they arrived there they located the black Cadillac, Freese said.

O'Dell's lawyer, Henry Sugden, countered that his client did not have a gun that night and did not commit armed robbery.

Sugden described the confrontation differently, saying the group of people entering the residence had burst in through the back door "all of a sudden" and that O'Dell was merely protecting his friend from them.

Sugden described O'Dell as an Army veteran who has turned his life around, is married and owns his own landscaping business. O'Dell has sometimes provided cannabis to the woman who lives in the Woodstock residence to help ease her multiple sclerosis, his

lawyer said. Sugden described one of the men who was present during the confrontation as a drug dealer. Their presence "scared" O'Dell's friend, and he "defended her," Sugden said.

"The state is blowing the case out of proportion," he said.

The woman who resides at the home also testified that she sometimes buy marijuana from one of the alleged victims and said she had accused him earlier that day of stealing money. She also testified that she did not see a gun on O'Dell that day.

The case is expected to go to the jury next week.

Amanda Marrazzo is a freelance reporter. Freelance reporter Clifford Ward contributed.



TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

House call of duty

Chicago fire Capt. John Cronin distributes smoke alarms in the East Chatham neighborhood after he helped fight a fatal fire in the area Friday. A man found in an apartment in the 900 block of East 86th Street was taken in critical condition to the University of Chicago Medical Center, fire officials said, where he was later pronounced dead. The apartment had no working smoke detectors, and this was Chicago's fourth fire death this year in a home without smoke detectors, fire officials said.

2 cops suspended, not fired, for shooting into car

Man hit in 2015 incident; pair may soon return to job

By JEREMY GORNER
Chicago Tribune

the department's use-of-deadly-force policy by shooting at a moving car that posed no immediate threat. But the police board balked at firing them, as Johnson recommended.

Antwon Golatte was shot in the abdomen as he tried to flee during a traffic stop on the Far South Side, police alleged. He had been working as an informant for police for several years before the shooting in February 2015, according to a report issued in 2016 by the city's police oversight agency.

Bucking a recommendation that two officers be fired, the Chicago Police Board suspended them without pay for a year each for firing into a moving car against department policy and wounding an unarmed man.

But Officer Jaime Gaeta and Harry Matheos, since promoted to detective, could be back on street duties next month, since both were suspended after Superintendent Eddie Johnson brought department charges against them last February, said police spokesman Anthony Guglielmi.

In a 5-1 vote at its monthly meeting Thursday night at police headquarters, the police board found that the two violated

"They admit that they

did not observe any drugs, did not see the actual transaction, did not recall what anyone was wearing, and that the transaction coincidentally occurred right after they began their surveillance," according to the board.

Max Caproni, the police board's executive director, said the now-defunct Independent Police Review Authority had recommended that both officers be fired, but Johnson at first sided with the officers, finding their actions did not violate department policy.

A three-member panel of the police board, however, then recommended the officers be fired, Caproni said, leading Johnson to file departmental charges against the two and recommend their firing.

In the meantime, Golatte was acquitted early last year by a Cook County jury

of felony charges connected to the afternoon

shooting near 115th Street

and Princeton Avenue in

the Roseland neighborhood, court records show.

According to IPRA's report of its investigation, Gaeta and Matheos said Golatte drove toward them before the two fired their service weapons at him.

Gaeta, an 18-year department veteran, fired three times, and Matheos, on the force for 22 years, fired twice.

IPRA's analysis of the bullet trajectories from the officers' guns showed both opened fire while standing next to Golatte's vehicle instead of in front of it, according to the report.

That proved to be crucial evidence in IPRA's determination that the two violated departmental policy that prohibits officers from shooting at moving vehicles if the vehicle is the only weapon being used in the confrontation.

"As Officer Gaeta had time to react to (Golatte) manipulating the gear shift, reversing his vehicle, manipulating the gear shift

again, turning his wheel, and then driving forward, it is reasonable to believe that he had the time and opportunity to move out of the vehicle's path, as mandated by the general order," IPRA said in its report.

During his interview with IPRA, Matheos said that before he opened fire, he believed Golatte had struck another police officer with his vehicle while trying to escape. Matheos would be allowed to shoot Golatte if the other officer was "in imminent threat of danger," but IPRA said it was unclear if that was the case.

"However, even if Officer Matheos' subjective belief was reasonable, his conduct would still fall outside of CPD policy which clearly prohibits firing at or into a moving vehicle under the circumstances described here," IPRA said.

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Prosecutors: Wilmette woman held after knife attack on mom

By BRIAN L. COX
Chicago Tribune

son over 60 and aggravated domestic battery, officials said.

Authorities said Larson's mother woke up at about 7 a.m. Thursday to find Larson standing over her bed with a knife. They said Larson, who suffers from mental illness, started beating and stabbing her mother.

Another person in the

home heard screaming, went to the bedroom and found the victim on the floor covered in blood with Larson standing over her, prosecutors said.

Larson continued the attack as her mother yelled for the witness to call police, authorities said. The victim was stabbed at least seven times in the head and body, so viciously that the

tip of the knife broke off during the stabbing, prosecutors said.

Larson fled the home but was arrested in bloody pajamas a short distance away, according to prosecutors. She was hospitalized involuntarily, officials said, and did not appear at her bond court hearing Friday. The victim's condition was not disclosed.

Officials said Larson has bipolar disorder and schizophrenia, and had stopped taking her medication. In ordering Larson to be held without bond, Cook County Judge Alexandra Gillespie on Friday called her "a danger to the community."

Brian L. Cox is a freelance reporter.

U.S. judge lashes out at city Law Department

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bench.

"I'm sorry, as a matter of professional responsibility, you don't know who your client is?" she said, her voice rising. "What law firm, what city, what anything allows you to say, 'I don't remember that I was his lawyer?' How can you not remember?"

Pallmeyer asked repeatedly why Law Department attorneys didn't keep a simple list of their clients — something she said was "kind of 101."

"You should all have a list. There is nothing complicated about this," Pallmeyer said. "... How did (Salvador) not know he was being sued? Who dropped the ball?"

The judge also blasted the Law Department's record in other federal civil rights lawsuits in the Dirksen U.S. Courthouse. In case after case, judges have imposed monetary and other

legal sanctions after the city was caught withholding documents or failing to meet its burden on discovery, the legal process that allows the two sides in a lawsuit to uncover relevant facts through the exchange of documents.

"I think it's time for someone to step up to how the city generally is handling the defense of these cases, how it's keeping records," Pallmeyer said. "Because the number of times there have been problems of one nature or another has just escalated, and this episode is as distressing as any."

The judge ordered Cohen to put in writing what steps his office is taking to ensure that discovery violations like the ones made in the Evans suit don't happen again.

Bill McCaffrey, a spokesman for the city's Law Department, issued a statement Friday saying the department takes the issues

raised in the case very seriously and is reviewing how discovery has been handled.

"In addition, we are examining our discovery policies and procedures to identify improvements and will be adjusting training to ensure that any mistakes are not repeated," McCaffrey said.

After the court session, Michael Oppenheimer, an attorney for Evans, said he believed the Law Department has systemic problems.

"It keeps happening again and again and again," Oppenheimer said. "Who knows what surprises await us next week?"

Salvador shot Evans after claiming the teen had pointed a gun at him. Evans, though, was acquitted of the gun charge at trial.

His civil rights lawsuit is set for trial before Pallmeyer on Jan. 29.

The issue over possible sanctions began to heat up

last week after lawyers for Evans accused the city of failing to tell them about the video depicting Salvador screaming obscenities and threatening a handcuffed African-American arrestee.

"I am not f---- with you, you understand?" Salvador asked the unidentified man in the video. "Make a move like that towards me again. I will f---- show you, exactly, what I can do!"

City attorneys said they had, in fact, notified Evans' lawyers last year of the existence of the video. It was unclear who filmed the episode, but city records show Salvador was given a reprimand from his lieutenant for using "foul language."

In a hearing last week, Pallmeyer said the video contained much more than just foul language, calling Salvador's actions "disturbing."

"To call what happened on that video nothing more than use of profanity is just

nobody in this room believes that," Pallmeyer said, according to a transcript. "It was threatening physical violence on an arrestee. It was suggesting to the arrestee it was his personal affront to the officer that rendered him liable."

Pallmeyer also asked the city lawyers why they weren't more concerned when they saw what the video depicted.

"Did that trouble you at all?" she asked, according to the transcript. "I am not asking you as a judge. I am asking you as somebody who cares deeply about the city of Chicago."

The Evans case was the latest in a string of accusations against the Law Department for its alleged mishandling of police misconduct cases.

In December, crucial evidence of a past incident involving former Detective Joseph Frugoli surfaced in the middle of a wrongful death trial stemming from

an off-duty DUI crash in which two young men were killed. The bombshell disclosure prompted the city to suddenly settle the case in the middle of closing arguments for \$20 million. Meanwhile, U.S. District Judge Virginia Kendall could still decide to issue sanctions.

In all, federal judges have sanctioned the Law Department nine times for failing to turn over potential evidence in police misconduct cases since Mayor Rahm Emanuel took office in 2011, forcing the city to pay more than \$1.1 million in court-imposed fines for their actions.

Eight of those cases have resulted in settlements or jury verdicts totaling more than \$45 million; the ninth case is still pending.

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Dem candidates spar at forum

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has coalesced much of the Democratic establishment behind his campaign.

Kennedy used one of his campaign's major themes — questions of fairness regarding the property tax system — to launch his attack on Democratic leaders. He contended Democrats who have controlled the General Assembly for decades won't enact a graduated income tax that could reduce property taxes, in part because of the power of Democratic House Speaker Michael Madigan, who also is state Democratic chairman and a property tax appeals lawyer.

"Truthfully, we'll never move to a progressive income tax unless we ban elected officials from being property tax appeals lawyers. The reason we didn't move from a property tax-based system to a more fair system (to fund schools) is because Mike Madigan and a handful of elected officials make money as property tax appeals lawyers," he said.

Pritzker, who turned 53 on Friday, said "there are massive flaws in the system" as he responded to Kennedy's criticism.

"The system is not working. And we've got to make serious changes, but it takes a governor who's actually going to go do that. I think calling people out individually for their failures is, you know, not productive," said Pritzker, who has made Rauner's failures the central theme of his campaign.

Pritzker has benefited from the reassessment of a neighboring Gold Coast mansion he purchased that was declared "uninhabitable" over interior renovations, including toilets that had been disconnected.

He said he was not aware the toilets did not function

and likened seeking an assessment reduction to the "50,000 property owners in the County of Cook who seek property reassessments every year." But Kennedy said there was "no comparison" to what Pritzker was seeking for a mansion and other homeowners and called the reduction a "tax scam."

As the discussion went on, another candidate, activist Tio Hardiman of Chicago, baited Pritzker out by asking a question: "What does a toilet have to do with running for governor?"

State Sen. Daniel Biss of Evanston noted that both Pritzker and Kennedy obtained real estate tax breaks on properties.

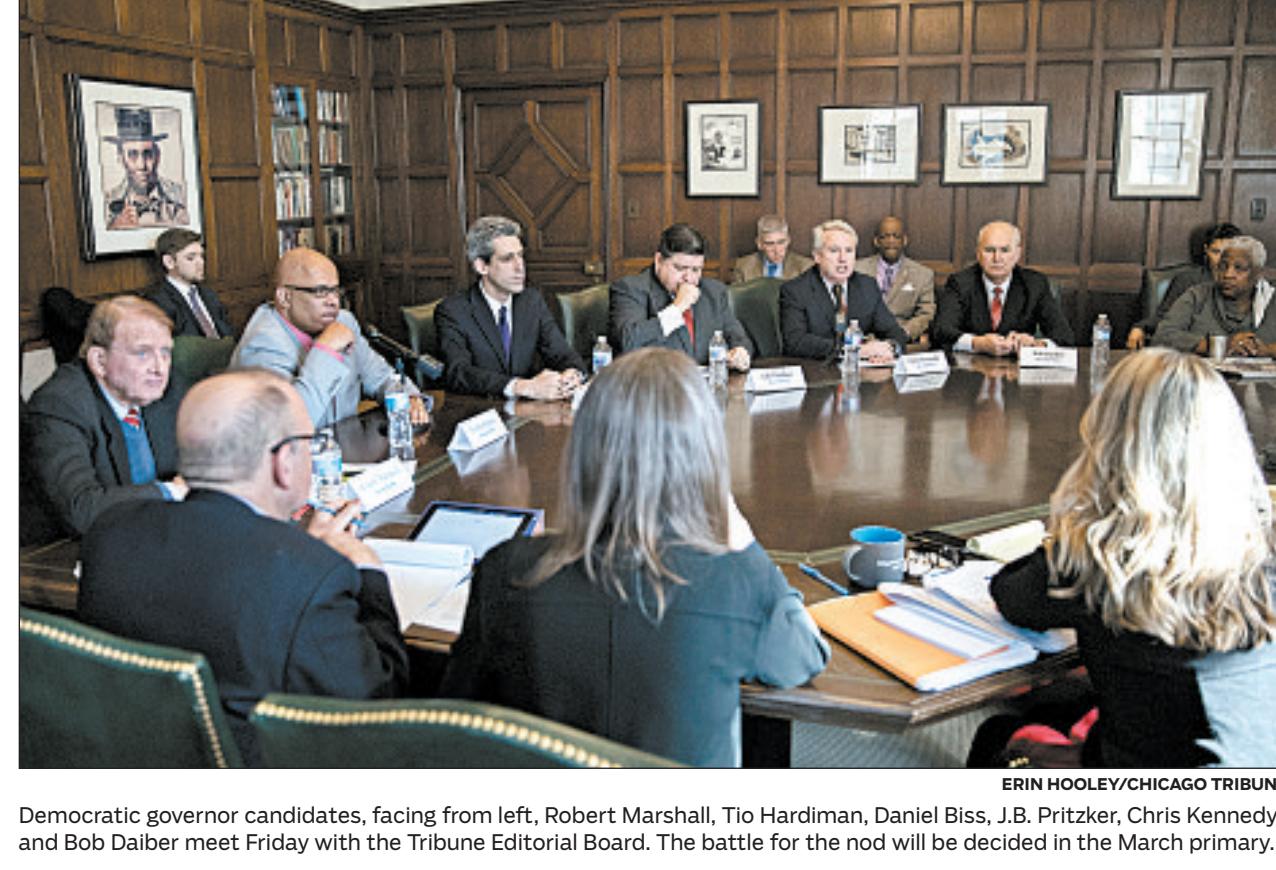
"I don't think it's important to get into J.B.'s head when the toilets got removed," said Biss, who added that Kennedy "hired the most politically connected people" to get tax breaks on the family's Wolf Point property development.

"Because J.B. is the candidate of Madigan and (Cook County Assessor Joseph) Berrios, there's concern about his willingness to stand up, and now that Chris is not the candidate of Madigan or Berrios, he's engaging in some of this headline-grabbing rhetoric. But if we actually want to change the system, I think the question is, who's benefited from it?" Biss asked.

"That's both of them. And that's what I haven't done," said Biss, who called himself the "middle-class" candidate.

Pritzker quickly tried to tie Biss and Kennedy to Madigan while denying he had asked for the veteran longtime House speaker's endorsement. Biss previously served in the Illinois House before moving to the Senate.

"And I know Chris Ken-



Democratic governor candidates, facing from left, Robert Marshall, Tio Hardiman, Daniel Biss, J.B. Pritzker, Chris Kennedy and Bob Daiber meet Friday with the Tribune Editorial Board. The battle for the nod will be decided in the March primary.

nedy sought out Mike Madigan's support when he was thinking about running for Congress, thinking about running for Senate and running for governor. I have never asked the speaker for his support. I haven't received the speaker's support," said Pritzker, who has racked up endorsements from many Madigan allies, including the Berrios-run Cook County Democratic Party.

Pritzker, who has put more than \$42 million of his wealth into his campaign, also defended talks he had in late 2008 with the disgraced Blagojevich that were secretly recorded by government agents. Rauner is airing ads featuring the recordings in an attempt to tarnish Pritzker.

On the recordings, Pritzker and Blagojevich discuss various scenarios for filling the recently vacated U.S. Senate seat of then-President-elect

Barack Obama. They also discuss Blagojevich possibly appointing Pritzker state treasurer and attorney general.

"It's important to recognize that if people who voted for Rod Blagojevich had known that he was engaging in the activities that he was, nobody would have voted for him, nobody would be supporting, nobody would have spoken with him and hundreds of people did at the time," Pritzker said.

"And I've not been accused of any wrongdoing. I have not done anything wrong. And I've been proud of the work I've done in public service for many, many years," he added.

That prompted Biss to reply: "If that phone call is your definition of public service, you're doing it wrong."

Kennedy and Biss could benefit if Rauner's unusual decision to wade into the

Democratic primary with Pritzker attack ads is successful. After the forum, Kennedy was asked if Rauner's efforts helped his campaign.

"I think Bruce Rauner is trying to do what he thinks is best for the state of Illinois," Kennedy said.

"And we may disagree on what that is, but his willingness to speak truth to power, to take on the powers that have been strangling our economy for decades in this state is something that I think he should be applauded for."

Pritzker's campaign took note and issued a statement asking, "Did Chris Kennedy just endorse Bruce Rauner?"

Back inside the forum, Bob Daiber, the Madison County regional superintendent of schools, said the issues involving Madigan, Berrios and Blagojevich reflect a dominance of state politics involving Chicago

that citizens don't want.

"I sit here and listen to this, and I want to tell you that people in Illinois are sick and tired of it," said Daiber, the lone Downstate candidate.

The forum also featured perennial candidate Robert Marshall.

Also Friday, Rauner signed an executive order to ban state lawmakers from arguing cases before the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board, which his administration said hears about 30,000 appeals each year, most of them from Cook County. The order is aimed at property tax attorneys like Madigan, the House speaker. It's unclear, however, if the governor's order could survive a legal challenge, since the tax board is supposed to be independent of the executive branch.

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Suspect also tied to 2013 assault

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though, it remains a tool for federal prosecutors, but its use in federal courts is still rare. It also can take years for an execution to actually be carried out.

The last person to be sentenced to death in a federal courtroom in Illinois was Dr. Ronald Mikos, who was convicted in 2005 in Chicago of murdering a former patient to keep her from testifying against him in a Medicare fraud trial.

Mikos, 69, whose appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court was denied nearly a decade ago, is still awaiting execution in federal prison in Terre Haute, Ind., federal records show.

The announcement in Christensen's case marks at least the third time in recent weeks that Sessions has opted to push for the death penalty. Earlier this month, it was revealed prosecutors would seek the death penalty against Billy Arnold, an alleged gang member accused of killing two rivals in

Michigan. In December, Sessions greenlighted pursuit of the death penalty against Jarvis Wayne Madison, a Florida man who allegedly kidnapped and killed his estranged wife.

In their five-page motion Friday, prosecutors said the death penalty was warranted because Christensen "is likely to commit criminal acts of violence in the future that would constitute a continuing and serious threat to the lives and safety of others."

No details of the alleged 2013 sexual assault by Christensen were provided other than the initials of the victim, "M.D." The alleged assault occurred the year Christensen was admitted to the university's highly competitive physics graduate program, prosecutors said.

Four years later, Zhang's sudden disappearance rattled the U. of I. campus and sent shock waves throughout China.

Zhang, who began her research appointment last April, tried unsuccessfully to flag down a bus before walking to another stop the afternoon of June 9. Shortly after, federal authorities allege, Christensen approached Zhang in his black Saturn Astra car and lured her inside.

Surveillance video from a nearby parking garage captured the exchange in which Zhang could be seen speaking to the driver for several moments before getting into the front passenger seat.

The investigation focused on Christensen after police concluded his Saturn was the car seen in the video. He initially told the FBI he was home all day playing video games on the day Zhang disappeared.

When he was questioned a second time, Christensen changed his story, telling agents he got the date mixed up, according to court records. He said he was driving on campus, came across an Asian woman looking distressed and offered her a ride because

she said she was late to an appointment, authorities said.

Christensen said the woman panicked after he made a wrong turn, and he let her out of his car a few blocks from where they met, prosecutors said.

Meanwhile, police searched Christensen's car and determined that the area where Zhang would have been sitting had been cleaned in a way to conceal evidence, according to prosecutors.

Police also searched his phone and found visits to a sadomasochism fetish website with discussion threads on kidnapping fantasies, prosecutors said.

On June 29, Christensen attended a campus rally for Zhang with a girlfriend, who unbeknownst to him was wearing an FBI wire. He was captured on audio recordings describing his "ideal victim" as he pointed out people in the crowd, prosecutors have previously said.

Other recordings made

that day captured Christensen admitting to having kidnapped Zhang and describing how she fought back as he held her against her will, according to prosecutors.

Earlier this week, a defense filing revealed that a few hours before Zhang's kidnapping, a female U. of I. graduate student reported to police that a man wearing aviator sunglasses had pulled up to her in a black car and flashed a badge. She refused to get in the car and he drove off.

A few days later, the woman picked out Christensen's photo from among six shown her by the FBI, but Christensen's lawyers are seeking to block the testimony, saying she couldn't be certain because of the sunglasses.

She did say that of the six photos, Christensen "shared the most characteristics" of the man because of his "short, dark hair and tan face," the filing said.

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NATION & WORLD

White House: We won't 'weaponize' crisis

BY EVAN HALPER

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — The government shutdown is fast becoming an unwelcome and costly staple of American democracy. After the last prolonged closure delivered a substantial hit to the economy and created hardship and frustration for millions, lawmakers vowed never again.

And yet, here we are again.

The Trump administration is scrambling to soften the blow with plans to keep as much of the government open as possible even if Congress fails to pass a measure by Monday morning to fund government agencies. Their blueprints, though, could quickly unravel.

"We are going to manage this shutdown differently," said Mick Mulvaney, the White House budget director, who accused the previous administration of using the 2013 budget stalemate to score political points, making the repercussions more painful for Americans than necessary.

"We are not going to weaponize it. We are not going to try to hurt people," he told reporters at the White House.

In a briefing for reporters Friday night, senior administration officials said they could not cite any specific evidence of the Obama administration having held back federal funds to worsen the impact of previous shutdowns.

"We're not here to litigate the past," said one of the officials, who spoke to reporters on condition of anonymity.

The Trump administra-

tion was encouraging agencies to use any reserve funds or other available money that legally could keep offices open, if only temporarily, while the Obama administration may have interpreted the law more narrowly, the officials said.

Whatever the White House's intentions, however, some hurt from a shutdown is unavoidable. The law places the federal government under extremely restrictive constraints.

Some important government functions are not affected — Social Security checks go out regardless because they are not subject to annual appropriations bills that expire. The same goes for most other benefit programs. Military opera-

tions continue although the nation's roughly 1.3 million uniformed personnel would not get paid until after a shutdown ends.

The senior officials said they did not have a total of how many workers would be furloughed across the government. In most cases, however, agencies have no choice but to send the vast majority of their workforce home. Only those performing critical public health and safety functions remain, and, like the military, they typically do not get paid until it is all over.

Mulvaney's vow that there will be no mass closure of national parks, for example — just some minor public inconvenience — could quickly get undercut

by the realities of how the parks operate.

Some 85 percent of the employees who keep the parks running would be prohibited from working, according to the administration's planning documents. Visitors' centers and bathrooms would be shuttered. Maintenance crews will be sent home. Roads won't be plowed, and campsites won't get cleaned.

"Trying to run national parks without park rangers not only creates unnecessary dangers for visiting families, but puts the parks' natural, cultural, and historic resources at risk," said Kate Kelly, public lands director at the left-leaning Center for American Progress.

By Monday, the fallout on



Budget director Mick Mulvaney discusses the administration's plans for a possible government shutdown.

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last year.

Approvals that any number of businesses need from other agencies to move forward with their plans — from oil companies seeking drilling permits to airlines seeking to register new planes — could be frozen.

"Shutting down the government is a very serious thing," Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., told CNN on Thursday night. "People die, accidents happen. You don't know. Necessary functions can cease. ... There is no specific list you can look at and make a judgment: 'Well, everything is going to be just fine.' You can't make that judgment."

Following the shutdown of 2013, a sobering federal report assessed the damage it inflicted on the nation. The report by the Office of Management and Budget concluded the economy took a hit in the range of \$2 billion to \$6 billion and 120,000 private sector jobs didn't get created during those 16 days as a result of the Washington gridlock.

But as Mulvaney assures that this shutdown would "look different," the contingency plans the White House already has published suggest there is only so much he can do. At the Environmental Protection Agency, for example, all but 781 of nearly 15,000 employees would be sent home once it runs out of the contingency funds that will carry it for just a few days.

It is much the same at other agencies, where the plans suggest a lot of anxiety, inconvenience and frustration is on the way if Congress does not resolve things quickly.

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Marchers for Life on Capitol Hill got a verbal boost Friday from President Donald Trump.

Trump to March for Life: 'We are with you' always

BY LAURIE KELLMAN AND RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Friday delivered new support to the anti-abortion movement he once opposed, telling thousands of activists demonstrating in the annual March for Life, "We are with you all the way."

In an address broadcast from the White House Rose Garden, Trump said he's committed to building "a society where life is celebrated, protected and cherished."

The moment marked the president personally stepping to the forefront of the anti-abortion movement in the United States as the anniversary of his inauguration approaches.

Last year, Vice President Mike Pence addressed the crowd in Trump's absence. In the year since, Trump has delivered on policies he had promised in an effort to help curb abortion rights legalized 45 years ago.

Chief among them is the confirmation of conservative Justice Neil Gorsuch.

Trump's administration also announced more ac-

tions in line with demands from social and religious conservatives.

The Department of Health and Human Services spelled out plans to protect medical providers who refuse to perform procedures such as abortions because of moral or religious scruples.

HHS also pulled back an Obama-era policy that posed a legal roadblock to conservative states trying to cut Medicaid funds for Planned Parenthood.

The announcements coincided with the annual March for Life on Washington by abortion opponents, with Trump addressing marchers via video link Friday.

HHS said it is proposing a new regulation that sets out how existing federal conscience protections will be enforced in real-world situations.

The new rule is "meant to ensure full compliance with laws that have been under-enforced," said Roger Severino, a conservative lawyer who heads the rights office under Trump. "These provisions are standard stuff when it comes to civil rights enforcement."

Under the regulation,

hospitals, universities, clinics and other entities that receive funding from HHS programs like Medicare and Medicaid will have to certify that they comply with some 25 federal laws protecting conscience and religious rights.

Most of these laws address medical procedures such as abortion, sterilization and assisted suicide.

Violations could result in loss of federal funding.

HHS took action that may help conservative states cut or eliminate Medicaid funding for Planned Parenthood. The department rescinded guidance to states from President Barack Obama's administration that narrowed the circumstances in which they can exclude a medical provider to cases involving fraud, criminal activity or being unfit to provide care.

In a statement, Planned Parenthood vice president Dawn Laguens said, "They couldn't get the votes to pass it in Congress, so now they are pushing states to try and block care at Planned Parenthood. The law is clear: it is illegal to bar women from seeking care at Planned Parenthood."

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Court to rule on extent of Trump's immigration power

BY DAVID G. SAVAGE

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court agreed Friday to decide whether President Donald Trump has the legal power to bar tens of thousands of visitors and immigrants from several mostly Muslim nations from entering this country.

The court's ruling could be one of its most significant pronouncements on the chief executive's power, acting on his own, to decide who may come to the United States.

The legal fight over Trump's travel ban has simmered through his first year in office. At the end of his first week in the White House, Trump signed a hastily crafted order that disrupted travel plans across the globe, triggered protests at airports across the nation and spurred a series of lawsuits.

Since then, federal judges in Hawaii, Maryland and Washington state have issued rulings to block Trump's order, and those decisions have been repeatedly upheld by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco and the 4th U.S. Circuit Court in Richmond, Va.

More recently, the legal battles have focused tightly on the provisions of U.S. immigration law.

So far, the Supreme Court has leaned in favor of the administration. The justices in June allowed much of the travel ban to take effect.

And on Dec. 4, the justices took the unusual step of sweeping aside the injunctions handed down by several judges and allowing Trump's full travel ban to take effect, even though the cases were about to be heard by two appeals courts. Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Sonia Sotomayor dissented.

That move suggested the



Muslims and activists protest in front of the White House against the Trump administration's proposed travel ban.

birth or place of residence." Congress said at the time it wanted to end the discriminatory system of national quotas.

Lawyers who sued to block Trump's travel bans point to this clause as crucial, and the 9th Circuit Court did the same last month when it struck down the third version of the president's order.

In ruling against Trump on Dec. 22, the 9th Circuit said the 1965 amendment to the Immigration and Nationality Act "eliminates nationality-based discrimination" as a basis for denying immigration visas.

While the law "vests the president with broad power to regulate the entry of aliens ... for such period as he shall deem necessary," Trump's lawyers rely heavily on this clause and argue it gives the president nearly unchecked power, especially during national emergencies, to screen out people from certain countries who he thinks might pose a threat to national security.

But another provision, enacted in 1965 during the civil rights era, says people seeking an immigration visa to come to the United States shall not be discriminated against ... because of the person's race, sex, nationality, place of

The court likely will hear arguments in April and issue a ruling by the term's end in late June.

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NEWS BRIEFING

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Texas observes Confederate Heroes Day as state holiday

AUSTIN, Texas — Texas on Friday again observed Confederate Heroes Day as a state holiday after recent failed attempts to change the name and avoid occasional calendar conflicts with Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

It was the 45th anniversary of Texas observing the holiday, and at least eight other states have similar holidays that remember Confederate soldiers. But this year in

particular follows heightened protests and criticism across the country over Confederate symbols.

Last fall, the University of Texas removed campus Confederate statues in the middle of the night following a deadly clash during a white nationalist rally in Virginia. Nearly a dozen Confederate monuments and markers remain around the Texas Capitol.

Texas started Confederate Heroes Day in 1973.

Federal prosecutors to retry senator on corruption charges

NEWARK, N.J. — Sen. Bob Menendez might spend 2018 asking voters to re-elect him — and jurors to acquit him.

Federal prosecutors told a federal judge in New Jersey on Friday that they will seek a retrial of the Democratic senator, whose 11-week corruption trial ended in a hung jury in November.

The filing to the judge seeks a retrial "at the earliest possible date."

Menendez's office released a statement saying he would be "vindicated — again."

Menendez and his friend, Florida eye doctor Salomon Melgen, were charged in 2015 with a bribery scheme in which Menendez allegedly traded political favors for gifts and campaign donations. Menendez also was charged with making false statements on his Senate financial disclosure forms.

U.S. may designate embassy in Jerusalem as early as 2019

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration is considering a plan to move the U.S. Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem as early as next year, rather than waiting several years.

Secretary of State Rex Tillerson has said previously that planning is under way for a new facility in Jerusalem that will take at least three years. In the meantime, three U.S. officials say Tillerson may designate an

existing U.S. consular building in West Jerusalem as the interim embassy. The officials say Tillerson hasn't made a decision.

The officials demanded anonymity.

Two of the officials say Vice President Mike Pence is pushing the State Department to accept the proposal quickly so Pence could announce it while in Israel. Pence departed Friday for the Middle East.



Residents watch as the damaged USS Fitzgerald is carried up the Pascagoula River.

ROGELIO V. SOLIS/AP

Damaged Navy ship arrives in Mississippi for years of repairs

PASCAGOULA, Miss. — Greeted by sailors and flag-waving residents, a Navy destroyer damaged in a June collision that killed seven sailors arrived Friday for two years of repairs at a Mississippi shipyard.

The transport vessel Transshelf sailed up the Pascagoula River carrying the USS Fitzgerald.

The June 17 collision with a container ship off Japan caved in parts of the Fitzgerald above and below the waterline. Water gushed into berthing compartments, killing the sailors. Its hull was punctured twice more in November as it was loaded aboard the Transshelf.

The Navy said Friday that it will take several days for the Transshelf to unload the Fitzgerald, which will be repaired by the 11,600 employees of Ingalls Shipbuilding, a unit of Virginia-based Huntington Ingalls Industries.

"She's actually here and we're starting the long process of rebuilding her and getting her back to the fleet," said Cmdr. Garrett Miller, the ship's commanding officer.

The Fitzgerald's 58-member crew will be based in Pascagoula for the next two years, overseeing the ship's repair and modernization.

Ingalls was chosen to

repair the ship in August and awarded an initial \$63 million contract in December to rip out damaged areas.

Secretary of the Navy Richard Spencer said in September that it could cost \$600 million combined to repair the Fitzgerald and the USS John S. McCain, another destroyer that was damaged in August.

The John S. McCain and an oil tanker collided near Singapore in August, killing 10 sailors.

It cost \$250 million for 16 months of repairs for the USS Cole, a destroyer damaged by a bombing in Yemen in 2000.

2 teens plead guilty in death of passenger hit by sandbag

TOLEDO, Ohio — Two of four teenage boys arrested after a sandbag tossed from an Ohio interstate overpass killed a Michigan man have pleaded guilty to charges including involuntary manslaughter.

A prosecutor in Toledo said Friday the 14- and 15-year-old boys didn't toss the sandbag that killed Marquise Byrd, 22, of Warren, Mich. She said one of the boys threw another sandbag from the overpass Dec. 19.

Byrd died a few days after a sandbag smashed through the windshield of a car he was riding in on Interstate 75 in Toledo.

Two other boys remain charged in Byrd's death. The teenagers who pleaded guilty told a juvenile court judge they first started out throwing rocks before dropping sandbags off the overpass. They will be sentenced next month.

Mexico quake: A 6.3-magnitude earthquake struck Friday morning offshore in Mexico's Gulf of California, but there were no immediate reports of damage. The U.S. Geological Survey said the quake was centered about 48 miles north-northeast of Loreto, in the waters between the states of Baja California Sur and Sonora.

Accidental overdose: Tom Petty died Oct. 2 from "multisystem organ failure" caused by accidental drug toxicity, the Los Angeles County coroner said Friday. An autopsy found that Petty, 66, had several drugs in his system, including fentanyl and oxycodone. Petty was taken to a Santa Monica hospital in full cardiac arrest.

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BUSINESS

Shutdown fears fail to shut down stocks' record run

By ALEX VEIGA
Associated Press

Investors shrugged off the potential for a federal government shutdown Friday, driving U.S. stocks higher and setting new milestones for several of the indexes.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index, Nasdaq composite and Russell 2000 index of smaller-company stocks finished at record highs as the market bounced back from modest losses a day earlier. The S&P 500 has now posted a weekly gain in nine of the last 10 weeks.

Retailers, banks and consumer goods companies accounted for much of the latest gains. Energy stocks fell along with crude oil prices. Utilities also declined as bond yields edged up to their highest level in more than three years.

The rally suggested that a possible government shutdown this weekend didn't worry traders.

"Looking back to some of the previous shutdowns, they weren't terribly extended in nature and didn't cause a lot of disruption by the time everything was done," said Tim Dreiling, regional investment direc-

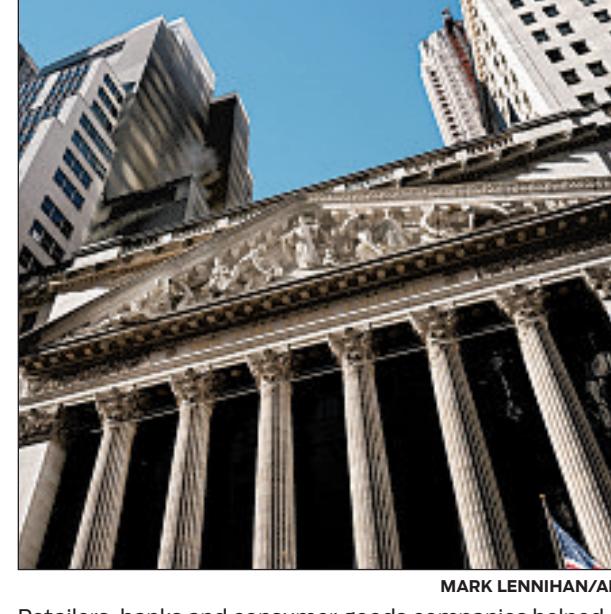
tor at U.S. Bank Private Wealth Management. "I don't think it's going to disrupt growth or make much of an impact on GDP, for example."

The S&P 500 index rose 12.27 points, or 0.4 percent, to 2,810.30. The Dow Jones industrial average gained 53.91 points, or 0.2 percent, to 26,071.72. The average hit a new high on Wednesday.

The Nasdaq added 40.33 points, or 0.6 percent, to 7,336.38. The Russell 2000 index of smaller-company stocks picked up 20.90 points, or 1.3 percent, to 1,597.63.

Bond prices fell. The yield on the 10-year Treasury rose to 2.66 percent from 2.63 percent late Thursday. That's the highest level since July 2014. The increase in yields weighed on bond-proxy stocks, such as utilities. Exelon declined 62 cents, or 1.6 percent, to \$37.97.

Despite an eleventh-hour effort to reach an agreement, Republicans and Democrats appeared no closer to averting a government shutdown before a midnight Friday deadline. After an afternoon meeting with President Donald Trump, Sen-



Retailers, banks and consumer goods companies helped push Wall Street higher Friday.

ate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer said the discussions would continue after having made "some progress."

U.S. House lawmakers voted late Thursday for a stopgap funding bill to keep federal agency doors open until mid-February, but Senate Democrats and some Republicans threatened to block it. Democrats want the bill to include protections for younger immigrants who were brought to the U.S. illegally as children.

Investors have driven stock indexes higher on optimism over the global economic outlook and corporate earnings, and the possibility of a federal government shutdown did not

dim that enthusiasm Friday.

Investors bid up shares in clothing makers, restaurant chains, department stores and other consumer-focused companies. Toy-maker Mattel led the pack, climbing 91 cents, or 6 percent, to \$16.14.

They also drove up tobacco manufacturers, food and beverage makers, and other consumer products companies. Philip Morris International picked up \$3.85, or 3.7 percent, to \$108.92. Campbell Soup added \$1.14, or 2.5 percent, to \$47.39.

Banks and other financial stocks also rose. Synchro Financial gained \$1.17, or 3.1 percent, to \$38.47.

Rock radio to roll amid legal fight

WLUP and WKQX formats to stay even if Cumulus backs out of deal, Merlin says

By ROBERT CHANNICK
Chicago Tribune

With bankrupt Cumulus Media looking to pull out of a \$50 million deal to buy WLUP-FM 97.9 and WKQX-FM 101.1 after four years at the helm, the Chicago rock stations could soon revert to their owner: Randy Michaels' Merlin Media.

Michaels, a longtime radio executive and former Tribune Co. CEO, said Friday he is ready to take over the stations, if necessary, and promised listeners they would continue with their current rock formats, at least in the near term.

"We are fully prepared to step in and operate the stations essentially as is," Michaels said.

"There are no changes being planned right now, other than be-

hind the scenes."

A bankruptcy judge is scheduled to rule Feb. 1 on motions filed Thursday by Atlanta-based Cumulus to reject a handful of "extremely unprofitable" contracts, including agreements to air Chicago Bulls and White Sox broadcasts on WLS-AM 890 and the deal to buy WLUP and WKQX from Merlin.

Cumulus has been operating WLUP and WKQX since January 2014 under a local marketing agreement with Merlin that included an option to transfer ownership of the stations. Cumulus paid Merlin a fee that escalated from \$300,000 to \$600,000 a month over four years, totaling more than \$20 million since its inception.

In its filing Thursday, Cumulus said the stations have lost more than \$8.4 million to date because expenses — including the monthly fees — exceeded revenues.

Merlin executed the option to sell the stations for about \$50 million, based on a formula agreed upon in the 2014 contract, and filed a transfer application with the Federal Communications Commission on Oct. 24. Cumulus filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection Nov. 29.

Michaels said he has no intention of withdrawing the FCC transfer application, which would require Cumulus to pay Merlin within five days of approval. "That thing could pop any day," Michaels said. "No one has opposed the application."

Cumulus and Merlin have been engaged in discussions, but they have "not been able to arrive at revised terms," Mary Berner, Cumulus' CEO, said Thursday in a news release. Cumulus executives declined to comment further.

"You're going to turn on 97.9 and hear The Loop and 101.1 and hear WKQX," Michaels said.

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BUSINESS BRIEFING

From news services

Los Angeles Times publisher put on leave

Los Angeles Times Publisher and Chief Executive Ross Levinsohn was placed on an unpaid leave of absence Friday while the paper's parent company, Tronc, investigates allegations of inappropriate conduct while an executive at other companies.

Times President Mickie Rosen will lead the newspaper in Levinsohn's absence, and Editor in Chief Lewis D'Vorkin will continue to lead the newsroom, Tronc CEO Justin Dearborn said in an email.

Tronc said it has hired the law firm Sidley Austin LLP to review the allegations contained in a report by National Public Radio that found Levinsohn was a defendant in two sexual harassment lawsuits and that he allegedly engaged in "frat-boy" behavior in work settings before joining the Times on Aug. 21.

News of Levinsohn's absence came on a historic day for the Times, when staff members voted overwhelmingly to join the News Guild-Communications Workers of America.

Results, tallied Friday by the National Labor Relations Board, show workers voted 248-44 to be represented by the Washington, D.C.-based union.

Tronc also owns the Chicago Tribune, Baltimore Sun, San Diego Union-Tribune and other newspapers.



Visitors walk inside a "Game of Thrones" hotel in Kittila, Finland.

'Game of Thrones'-themed ice hotel opens

A "Game of Thrones"-themed ice hotel complete with a bar and a chapel for weddings has opened in northern Finland in a joint effort by a local hotel and U.S. producers of the TV series.

Lapland Hotels said Friday they chose "Game of Thrones" to be the theme for this season's Snow Village, an annual ice-and-snow construction project covering 24,000 sq. yards in Kittila, 93 miles above the Arctic Circle.

Snow Village's operations manager told Finnish TV that he was a huge fan of the series and it was "a dream come true" that HBO Nordic agreed to go along.

The hotel, which stays open until April, suggests that guests stay only one night due to below-zero temperatures.

U.S. oil output booms as prices rise

U.S. oil production is booming and is forecast to top that of heavyweight Saudi Arabia and rival Russia this year, a global energy agency said Friday.

The International Energy Agency said in its monthly market report that U.S. oil production, which has already risen to its highest level in nearly 50 years, will push past 10 million barrels a day in 2018 as higher prices entice more producers to start pumping.

The price of crude has risen about 50 percent since June, with the U.S. benchmark now trading around \$63 a barrel, on evidence of strong global economic growth and a pact among OPEC countries and Russia to limit their production.

THE BOTTOM LINE

\$12.99 The new monthly price for Amazon Prime. The \$99 annual membership will not change, the company said Friday. Starting Friday, new monthly members will pay \$12.99 a month, up from \$10.99. Qualifying college students will pay \$6.49 a month, up from \$5.49. Amazon said existing monthly members will start paying the higher fee next month. Amazon said its \$5.99-a-month Prime membership for low-income people is not affected.

Jimmy John's sprouts linked to Illinois, Wis. salmonella outbreak

By SAMANTHA BOMKAMP
Chicago Tribune

State and federal health officials are investigating a multistate salmonella outbreak linked to sprouts at Jimmy John's.

Two cases involving Illinois residents have been reported, and Jimmy John's said it would temporarily stop serving sprouts at all its

locations nationwide as a precaution, after at least one request to do so from state health officials.

Jimmy John's CEO James North said in a statement that "food safety and the welfare of our customers are top priorities and not negotiable in our business."

Jimmy John's said it made the decision to stop serving sprouts nationwide "after an investigation in the

last 24 hours indicated that sprouts purchased from two growers in Minnesota ... could be linked to seven food safety complaints received over a one-week period in December in Illinois and Wisconsin."

It was not immediately clear how many people have become ill nationwide. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Food and Drug Admin-

istration also are involved in the investigation.

The two Illinois residents became ill Dec. 20 and 26.

Symptoms of salmonella may include headache, muscle aches, diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal cramping, chills, fever, nausea and dehydration.

Those affected generally start showing symptoms between six and 72 hours after ingesting the bacteria. Most

illnesses go away on their own without treatment.

Jimmy John's sprouts were linked to outbreaks of salmonella in 2010, 2012 and 2014. Sprouts at the Champaign-based chain also were linked to an E. coli outbreak in 2008.

Sprouts need warm, humid air to grow, an environment that is also conducive for pathogen growth. Some foodborne illness experts

have gone so far as to push for a warning label for the greens.

Jimmy John's warns customers in stores and online about the potential dangers. The online warning reads: "The consumption of raw sprouts may result in an increased risk of food-borne illness and poses a health risk to everyone."

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MARKET ROUNDUP



LOCAL STOCKS

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STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	59.31	+.24	Equity Commonwealth	N	29.87	+.23	McDonalds Corp	N	176.12	+1.55
AbbVie Inc	N	104.64	+.83	Equity Lifesci Prop	N	85.37	+.77	Middleby Corp	O	137.75	+3.65
Akorn Inc	O	33.01	-.05	Equity Residential	N	60.47	+.02	Mondelez Intl	O	44.14	+.46
Allstate Corp	N	103.70	-.30	Exelon Corp	N	37.97	-.62	Morningstar Inc	O	100.55	-.57
AptarGroup Inc	N	88.61	+.13	First Indl RT	N	30.17	+.18	Motorola Solutions	N	97.80	+.30
Arch Dan Mid	N	40.96	+.48	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	72.64	+.01	Navistar Int'l	N	43.54	+.13
Baxter Intl	N	70.01	+.81	Gallagher AJ	N	64.29	+.26	NiSource Inc	N	23.94	-.04
Boeing Co	N	337.73	-.24	Grainger WW	N	230.05	+.25	Ntnh Trust Cp	O	106.49	+1.11
Brunswick Corp	N	58.41	+.58	GrubHub Inc	N	70.03	-.31	Old Republic	N	20.27	+.10
CBOE Global Markets	O	133.88	+.97	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	89.30	+.15	Packaging Corp Am	O	127.56	+1.45
CDK Global Inc	O	73.38	+.18	Hyatt Hotels Corp	N	79.74	+.12	Stericycle Inc	O	72.00	.47
CDW Corp	O	75.21	+.14	IDEX Corp	N	138.35	+.16	TransUnion	N	59.35	+1.49
CF Industries	N	40.39	+.31	ITW	N	172.42	+.21	Tribune Media Co A	N	43.46	-.01
CME Group	O	154.28	+.07	Ingrdient Inc	N	137.13	+.73	USG Corp	N	39.14	-.11
CNA Financial	N	53.96	+.07	John Bean Technol	N	115.75	+.05	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	244.13	+.98
Caterpillar Inc	N	170.41	+.26	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	155.17	+.20	Ventas Inc	N	76.50	.20
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	37.77	+.61	Kraft Heinz Co	O	79.66	+.39	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	54.47	+.09
Deere Co	N	170.32	+.24	LKO Corporation	O	42.96	+.26	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	76.47	+.47
Discover Fin Svcs	N	78.32	+.10	Littelfuse Inc	O	219.93	+.95	Wintrust Financial	O	87.81	+.96
Dover Corp	N	104.41	+.42	MB Financial	O	47.49	+.89	Zebra Tech	O	123.75	.52

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to \$63.37

Major market growth and decline

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S&P +.86

30-day % change

DOW +5.32
NASD +5.41
S&P +4.73

1-year % change

DOW +31.49
NASD +32.06
S&P +23.73

FUTURES

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 18	425.25	427.25	421.75	422.75	-2.50
		May 18	438	440	434.50	435.50	-2.75
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 18	351.50	354	351.25	352.50	+1
		May 18	359.50	362.25	359.25	360.75	+1.25
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 18	972.50	982.75	972	977.25	+4.25
		May 18	983.25	994	983.25	988.50	+4.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Mar 18	32.28	32.35	32.12	32.28	.05
		May 18	32.48	32.54	32.32	32.48	.05
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Mar 18	328.30	334.40	328.00	331.60	+3.20
		May 18	331.70	337.80	331.60	335.10	+3.10
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMEX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Feb 18	63.74	63.77	62.85	63.37	-.58
		Mar 18	63.68	63.73	62.78	63.31	-.58
NATURAL GAS (NYMEX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Feb 18	3.198	3.245	3.133	3.185	-.004
		Mar 18	2.988	2.997	2.926	2.941	-.047
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMEX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Feb 18	1.8810	1.8825	1.8495	1.8636	-.0199
		Mar 18	1.8864	1.8864	1.8545	1.8647	-.0230

Source: The Associated Press

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Brenda Stewart, left, and Tracey Whitney stand by a West Side lot where a friend, a transgender prostitute, was killed. Stewart and Whitney try to help prostitutes.

75 victims, and each somebody's daughter

The body of Catherine Saterfield-Buchanan was found sprawled naked on a curb. Angela Ford was found dead in the basement of an abandoned building. Cynthia Halk, in an alley garbage can ...

Since 2001, Chicago police have logged more than 8,800 homicides. Most of the victims were young adult males. Another subset: 75 women who've been strangled or smothered, their bodies dumped by killers who had reason to think they'd never be caught and punished. Sure enough, arrests have been made in only a third of those slayings.

The Tribune's Annie Sweeney and Ariana Figueroa delved into thousands of pages of crime reports and medical examiner records to build a database from the 17 years for which the information was publicly available.

... Saudia Banks, in an empty apartment. Margaret Gomez, in a muddy gravel lot near the Stevenson Expressway. Nancie Walker, in plastic bags on the side of a road. ...

Many of these women struggled with drug addiction, and at least 47 had histories of prostitution. We'd guess that only the killer and the victim were present at many if not most of these crimes; often the two may not have known each other's names. Some women were raped. Or severely beaten. Or gagged. Others were found with plastic bags tightened around their heads.

As Sweeney and Figueroa reported, the dangerous world many of the women frequented makes it difficult for Chicago police to solve their slayings. The last person who was with the victim often isn't known. Witnesses don't trust detectives.

DNA evidence doesn't always lead to a suspect. And as in other illegal trades, people involved with drugs and prostitution frequently use aliases.

... Jacqueline J. Berott, on the riverbank of Bubbly Creek. Vanessa Rojakovich, in the Chicago River. Genevieve N. Mellas, near a lagoon in Marquette Park. ...

Family relatives, clergy members and neighborhood groups advocate to prevent the often high-profile killings of young men. Gunplay often leaves victims in public places and, when it stops, draws crowds.

These women, as a group, do have a few advocates: individuals and organizations trying to extricate victims-in-waiting from their perilous lifestyles. But when a crime is private and takes place in an economic underground — when it's a "Murder on the margins," as the headline on the Tribune's report put it — there may be no one who misses the victim. No one who says, "We want to help solve this crime."

... Precious J. Smith, wrapped in a comforter in an alley. Quanda Crider, in a closet of an abandoned house. Bree E. Gregory, in snow on the street. ...

These crimes are more likely to be avoided than solved. To the groups that try to pull women back from the brink, our heartfelt encouragement. To the cops who may have a corpse but not much other evidence, our hope that this city always remembers: Each of these women was somebody's daughter.

... Lutenda Michelle Hudson, in a stairwell. Rita French, in her bedroom. Amy Martinez, in a burning dumpster. ...

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

The activism inspired by the Women's March has grown beyond simply defeating Republicans at the ballot box. What began as an outpouring of grief and anger at President Trump's election has evolved into a broader re-examination of the feminist movement and the structural factors that allowed a man like Trump, who openly demeaned just about every marginalized demographic in America, to ascend to the nation's highest office.

Time's Up grew out of the #MeToo movement — a months-long reckoning that has shown what the energy born of the Women's March can accomplish, but also how far the movement for gender equity still has to go. If the nasty shock of Trump's election proved that women weren't as equal in contemporary American society as they thought they were, then #MeToo has shown that inequality still pervades every industry and class. It is a testament to the solidarity of the post-march movement that women of different colors and classes have committed to fighting these injustices together. Of all the little silver linings in post-election activism, the awakening of complacent liberals to the realities of modern-day sexism and racism might be the most significant and surprising.

Christina Cauterucci, Slate

The Donald Trump administration has demonstrated no interest in reducing America's military commitments and interventions, nor committed itself in any meaningful way to preventing conflicts or resolving them. Within eight months of assuming office, Trump — with the announcement of six "precision airstrikes" in Libya — had bombed every country that former President Barack Obama had in eight years. One month after that, the United States surpassed the 26,172 bombs that had been dropped in 2016. Through the end of December 2017, Trump had authorized more airstrikes in Somalia in one year (33), than George W. Bush and Obama had since the U.S. first began intervening there in early 2007 (30).

The growth in airstrikes was accompa-

nied by a more than proportional increase in civilian deaths, which Azmat Khan and Anand Gopal documented in the most impressive work of investigative journalism that I read this year, as well as the killing of militant fighters. In July, Gen. Tony Thomas, head of U.S. Special Operations Command, claimed "in conservative estimates 60,000 to 70,000" Islamic State fighters had been killed in Iraq and Syria. In 2014, just after the war began, the CIA claimed that the Islamic State could "muster between 20,000 and 31,500 fighters." The fact that the U.S. more than doubled the size of its enemy in pursuit of defeating it on the battlefield — for the time being — should lead to a re-examination of U.S. counterterrorism strategies.

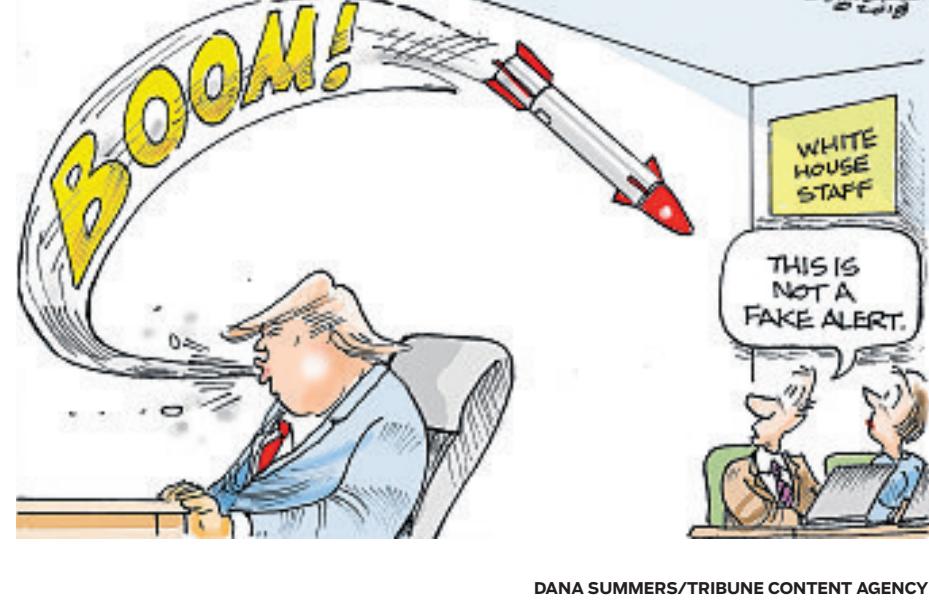
Micah Zenko, Foreign Policy

In its quest to "Make America Great Again," the Republican Party, and to a lesser extent the conservative movement that animates itself, has taken a position of enmity toward much of what made America great in the first place. With all due respect to those amber waves of grain, coastal urban America has in many ways led the way: Hollywood, Wall Street, Ronald Reagan, punk rock, Ellis Island, Edison, Apple, Facebook, Google, J.P. Morgan, General Electric. The modern conservative movement was not a product of the Old South or the Midwest but an intellectual phenomenon that percolated up in Southern California and New York City.

It's all good and fine to point to the troubles — and they are many — of the Democrat-dominated states and cities, but in their rhetorical frenzy to abominate the Democrat-leaning parts of the country, Republicans have put themselves at odds with many of our most successful industries, institutions, and communities. ... They insist that San Francisco is Hell on Earth but never ask why it is that so many people want to live there — or they just write off those who do as degenerates and hopelessly un-American. That's bad politics.

Kevin Williamson, National Review

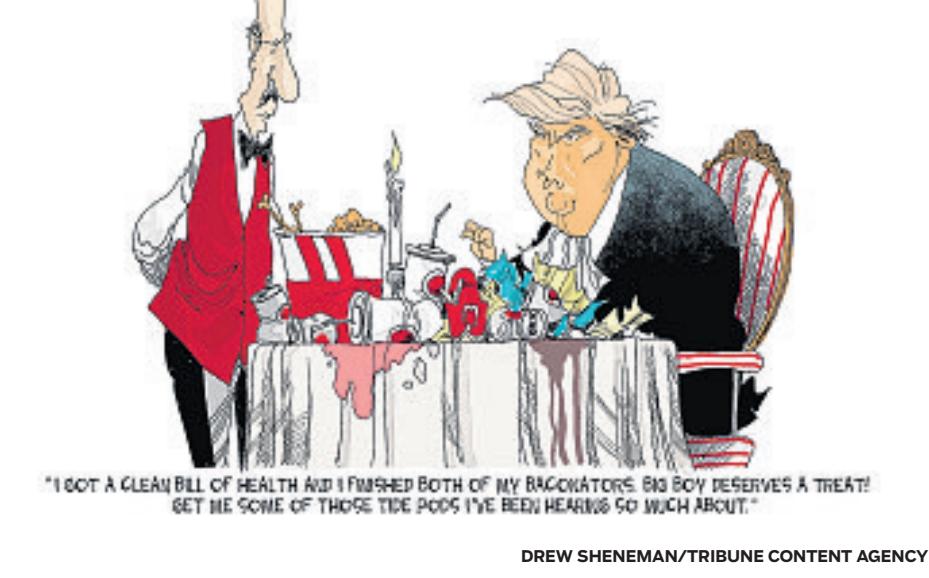
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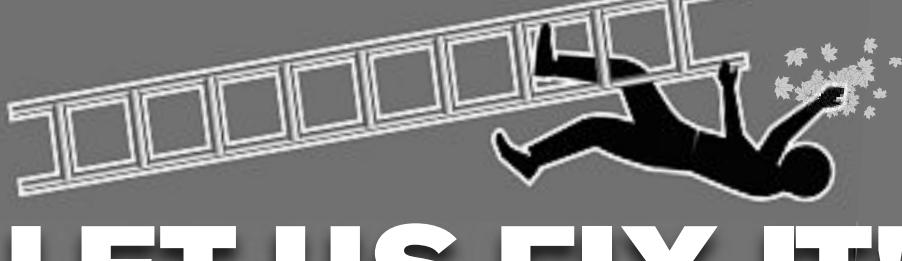


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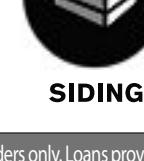
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Throughout January, federal agencies and volunteers will conduct separate counts of the number of bald eagles, including those that live along the Mississippi River.

Head count

We at the National Eagle Center beg to differ with Terrence Ingram's rather alarmist conclusion that bald eagle populations are declining, cited in the Jan. 18 article "Lone voice in wilderness." We know from our own observations and reading of the professional literature that bald eagle populations are healthy and even thriving. We also know from our weekly winter counts over the last 10 years that the numbers of eagles in a given area along the Mississippi River can vary widely, even by the hundreds, from week to week as these opportunistic predators range widely in search of available food. To draw conclusions about the overall health of the population from such observations would be misleading at best.

This is not to say that we aren't concerned about the ongoing health of and current threats to bald eagles. For example, lead hunting ammunition has been shown to cause significant mortality in these birds. Collisions with automobiles are the single most common human-made cause of death or injury. We share the concern about the unknown impacts of many pesticides in the environment and are committed to teaching about these threats so that we may never have to repeat the devastating decline of our magnificent national symbol.

— Rolf Thompson, executive director, National Eagle Center, Wabasha, Minn.

Sayonara sales tax

Eric Zorn's Jan. 12 column on unfair sales tax practices in the age of the internet makes a valid point, although I do not think he goes far enough. When we logically face the challenge of continuing to mine this source of revenue now that a large proportion of retail sales are electronic, should we not conclude that it is time to just abolish sales taxes?

To make myself clear, I am not advocating reducing taxes. Whether governments should lower or raise taxes is another issue, which has probably inspired enough arguments on both sides of the question to crash the internet. What I am suggesting is abolishing sales taxes while raising income tax rates to a high enough level to make up for the lost revenue, something that would have been a good idea even without the additional complications created by the World Wide Web.

As taxpayers of Illinois, we are currently paying for two sets of state employees to administer both sales taxes and income taxes, as well as killing additional trees to print many more forms than would be necessary, if the state only collected one of these levies. Furthermore, since the state is diluting resources in trying to enforce both sets of rules, officials are no doubt allowing more people to evade taxes and thus decreasing the fairness of our tax system.

By logical extension we should probably abolish most other state and local taxes as well, and raise the income tax again to make up for this loss of revenue. This of course would lead to a higher income tax rate that would upset many people. However, it would not be increasing the tax burden, since we would be saving a significant amount of money by consolidating the multiple departments that administer countless separate forms of taxation.

The higher stated rate of income tax, however, would make citizens more aware of how much tax we are actually paying, which is perhaps why the lawmakers prefer to maintain the inefficiencies of continuing to collect sales taxes.

— Patrick Hart, Beach Park

Trump's economy

While for years liberals have been ridiculing those who question the veracity and seriousness of climate change by calling them deniers, a new group within their ranks has emerged who deserve similar scorn for their beliefs. It is those who deny that the skyrocketing stock market and booming economy are the result of the policies and actions of President Donald Trump and the optimism they have created. To maintain that Barack Obama deserves any credit is utter nonsense. Liberals truly live with their heads in the sand.

— Randy Martens, Chicago

America's tradition

In 1914, my 16-year-old future father arrived at Ellis Island from a poor village

outside Sparta, Greece, with \$25 in his pocket, wearing his only suit. My father, like millions of other immigrants who came to this country, had a deep and abiding love of America and a deep respect for its laws.

For most of this country's history, immigrants have arrived from all over the world, and sometimes they were not always welcomed, but still, they worked hard, raised families, and became American. President John F. Kennedy called America a nation of immigrants, welcoming people from all over the world.

Today, as more immigrants continue that tradition, I would have hoped that we had a president who would inspire them to become good citizens and proud Americans. Unfortunately, with the president's actions and words, people around the world are quickly realizing that for many, this president is not the one that the American people deserve and need at this point in our history.

— Dean Starr, Libertyville

No place for prejudice

If President Donald Trump wants to make America great again then why is he dismissing those who did make it great already? It's not just the natural-born U.S. citizens who have contributed to America's success, but also those who have demonstrated a willingness to be a part of that success. Without diversity, there would be stagnant ideas with little progress.

Our world keeps getting smaller and what we do today affects the world. Most of us feel that prejudice has no place in our modern world. The only prejudice I feel is against those who feel they are entitled and consequently hurt others in the process.

If this is a true democracy then our voices need to be heard. Listen to those who work, live and socialize with diverse groups of people, and simple solutions may be found.

— Denise Garvy, Chicago

Excuses, excuses

If President Donald Trump were gone, Vice President Mike Pence would step in, and the administration's agenda wouldn't change. The divisiveness ranking the country has nothing to do with policies or who won the 2016 election. I know that not everyone who voted for Trump is a bigot, but I don't understand how intelligent people can continue to defend what he says and does.

I have respect for those who voted for him who can now say he's a dangerous embarrassment. But those who can't see and admit it are allowing themselves to be manipulated at the expense of our country and their credibility.

And if you stay silent, if you continue to make excuses, if you try to fool yourself into believing this is appropriate presidential behavior, then you will be remembered by your children and grandchildren as complicit, as one who stood by and let America's decency get dragged through the mud.

— Patt Heise, Grayslake

Our new reality

As a 76-year-old political independent, my concern for our country increases daily during this past "dog year" pace of the first year of the Trump presidency. My concern is not about politics, rather about basic decency in our country's highest office.

President Donald Trump's behavior and comments move at a blistering pace, leaving us numb to the level of lies and shallow policy positions. One needs to keep a ledger on the volume of disturbing statements and rapidly changing positions.

Trump's latest statements on Haiti and Africa, in addition to the position of deporting 200,000 Salvadorans who have been our guests for nearly two decades, is just the most recent evidence we're in a "Twilight Zone," except this has become our new reality.

His public statements denigrating our justice system and free press — whenever they conflict with his personal agenda — are damaging to our country's social fabric.

This remains our country, and Trump is renting our Oval Office. We have to be alert and aware landlords and not accept this behavior as close to acceptable normal.

As voters, we still have a voice.

— James Keough, Palos Heights

IN PERFORMANCE

Conductor Rafael Payare brings dynamic energy to CSO opener

BY JOHN VON RHEIN

Chicago Tribune

The musicians of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra are back in harness this weekend at Symphony Center after a long holiday hiatus. Their collective gratitude to be making music again translated into playing of robust vitality at Thursday night's first subscription concert of the season, if not the gleaming tonal finish and exacting precision this great symphonic ensemble produces at its very best.

Different sorts of corporate virtuosity were on display throughout the evening, and the man whose job it was to make them fit together convincingly was the up-and-coming Venezuelan conductor Rafael Payare, who was making his subscription series debut following his first appearance with the orchestra in 2015 at Ravinia.

Payare, who turns 38 this year, is another of the gifted alumni of the El Sistema music education program that helped bring another podium dervish, conductor Gustavo Dudamel, to world attention. Whether Payare (who is married to American cellist Alisa Weilerstein) attains similar international staying power remains to be seen, of course, although reports from Europe, where he has settled into a reportedly happy collaboration as music director of the Ulster Orchestra in Belfast, Northern Ireland, and has guest-conducted the Vienna Philharmonic, speak well for his chances.

The CSO artistic administration allotted the guest conductor only two concerts, alternating his program with more lucrative, orchestra-accompanied screenings of "Singin' in the Rain." Payare appeared determined to make the most of his relatively limited podium time, applying himself with serious attention to musical values that belied the occasional excesses of his animated podium manner.

Those excesses actually worked to the benefit of the Symphonic Dances from "West Side Story," the latest installment of the CSO's season-long bow to the



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

An animated Rafael Payare conducts the Chicago Symphony Orchestra on Thursday at Symphony Center.

Leonard Bernstein centennial.

His lanky body seemingly wired for sound, Payare could have been channeling Lenny himself as he danced, swayed, hopped and lunged his way through this lush amalgam of tunes from the composer-conductor's greatest hit. Nothing was held back, nothing underplayed. He secured playing of irresistibly jazzy, finger-snapping energy from the orchestra, with a sizzling solo sax, and brass and percussion going full tilt. "Dance at the Gym" no doubt set off seismographs as far away as Kankakee. Somewhere, the great man must have been smiling.

If Payare played the Bernstein as a kind of crypto-showpiece, in Bela Bartok's Concerto for Orchestra he had at his expressive fingertips an actual display piece for big, virtuoso orchestra, a magnificent five-movement structure that effectively makes each member of the orchestra a soloist.

Payare must have realized he was leading a bread-and-butter score the CSO has recorded five times and has made one of its

proudest signature pieces since the Fritz Reiner era. However, the firmness of rhythm and sureness of attack with which he steered the orchestra through Bartok's complex meter changes and abrupt shifts of sonority betrayed no lack of confidence; nor did one get the sense the orchestra was carrying him through a piece he did not know well. Tempos were well-chosen, interpretive choices sensible.

There was plenty of crunching power and resinous color from the orchestra, even if one or two of the instrumental pairings in the witty second movement were stronger than others. The elegiac third movement lacked nothing in tragic intensity, sharply contrasted with the jocular bass trombone and woodwinds in the ensuing Shostakovich parody of the "Interrupted Intermezzo." How many of the world's great orchestral string sections could deliver the bravura finale so cleanly, at such a breakneck speed?

In between came Mozart's more modestly scaled and de-

corous Bassoon Concerto in B flat (K.191). This ingratiating piece has long given the orchestra's principal bassoonists their moment in the limelight. Keith Buncke, who presently holds that position, capably upheld the grand tradition of his great predecessors Leonard Sharroff, Willard Elliot and David McGill.

He is a superb musician whose crisp articulation, mellifluous tone and seamless phrasing attest to his sensitivity to classical style. I did find his slow movement rather sedate of expression (McGill brought rather more character and charm to this music) but found much to respect elsewhere in his playing as well as in the caring accompaniment of his colleagues in the orchestra.

The program will be repeated at 8 p.m. Saturday in Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; \$34-\$221; 312-294-3000, www.cso.org.

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IN PERFORMANCE 'She the People: A Girlfriends' Guide to Sisters Doing It For Themselves' ★★

Women tackle patriarchy in timely and spirited Second City showcase

BY CHRIS JONES

Chicago Tribune

"She the People," a new revue featuring five women, with the subtitle "A Girlfriends' Guide to Sisters Doing It For Themselves," arrives at Second City even as the unfettered new mainstage revue is doing a fine job of eviscerating the patriarchy. "Dream Freaks Fall From Space," one of the best Second City shows in history, has the advantage of a trio of devastatingly funny women, not to mention a genesis during the early days of the #MeToo movement. Much of "She the People," which is staged in the UP Comedy Club, historically a softer venue in terms of satiric bite, was penned prior to the explosions and lessons of the fall.

In our current context, references to Ross and Rachel getting together feels positively quaint. And of a different moment. "She the People" has a lot of evergreen material, which, in this moment of fervent protest and change, sometimes feels out of step.

In fairness, though, this four-shows-a-week revue is aiming for something different: relaxed yet empowering entertainment for women (and, on Thursday night, a good number of their grinning male dates), and a new showcase for Second City's female talent. The original writers are mostly different from the current performers, which makes these shows harder for the performers to own. "She the People" is penned by Carissa Barreca (who is in the show), Marla Caceres, Carly Heffernan (who also directs), Tien Tran (on the mainstage right now), Alex Bellisle and Lauren Walker.



Second City's "She the People," features Maria Randazzo, from left, Alex Bellisle and Alexis J. Roston.

If you go this weekend, you'll see Second City stalwarts Barreca and Katie Caussin, whose work I've admired for years; two notable up-and-comers in Maria Randazzo and Kimberly Michelle Vaughn; and the well-known and dryly comedic theater actress Alexis J. Roston (hooray for diversity of age in improv land!).

Vaughn, the edgiest of this crew, harnesses the most spontaneity, while Randazzo emerges as the leader of the show. "She the People" often finds itself in a talk show-like setting and Randazzo usually has the mic and the power. Her range is striking. She can play a CEO and a wacky woman — someone who "works with kids, animals or coffee" — out there in the audience with an umbrella and a spritzer. And you believe her as both.

"She the People" struggles

When: Through April 1

Where: UP Comedy Club at Second City, 230 W. North Ave.

Running time: 1 hour, 50 minutes

Tickets: \$26-\$41 at 312-662-4562 and www.secondcity.com

some in the first act, when some of the material comes too close to a corporate seminar, with all of the inorganic caution that implies. Too often, it lets the women in the audience get ahead of the material, so that the buttons on the end of sketches are not enough of a surprise.

But the show picks up after it snags an audience member for a game show and, inevitably and not unkindly, reveals she knows more about the Kardashians than ISIS. From there, we go to the

women interpreting a group of grumbly, grunting congressmen, all debating women's health care policy while being unable to even spit out a word like "moist." It's all part of a kind of uber-text pointing out the way in which women are patronized by the patriarchy, with its control of marketing and the pap of popular culture, not to mention the legislatures of our lives, and it all works very well. Laudably three-dimensional, the show is mercifully short on dating and dude gags — long a staple of this group sales-friendly space — and genuinely moves things forward by causal analysis co-existing with more than enough feminist comic chaos to have fun without spilling your wine.

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CRITICS PLANNER

MICHAEL PHILLIPS
MOVIES

"Bombshell: The Hedy Lamar Story" ★★½

"Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story" rights a grievous wrong in the life, career, reputation and memory of a superstar. It fascinates both as film history and as a sobering reminder of how little credit a woman like Lamarr received, even at the peak of her popularity. For its first third, "Bombshell" stays busy laying out Lamarr's early years, noting her childhood obsession with the mechanics of her surroundings. Her forthright allure was destined for the film medium, although historian Jeanine Basinger puts it aptly in "Bombshell" when she says the young woman's scientific pursuits were, in effect, "derailed by her beauty." The film's interview subjects range from Mel Brooks to the late Robert Osborne, in his final on-camera interview. "Bombshell" is packed with juicy details such as Lamarr's bizarre escape from her first marriage, involving a look-alike maid, a sleeping potion and a getaway on a bicycle in the dead of night. NR, 1:29, documentary

CHRIS JONES
THEATER

"Jitney"

August Wilson's "Jitney" is 35 years old and predates Lyft, Uber and all of Wilson's other major works. You can't help but think about the ride-sharing present as you watch this play set in the office of an African-American car service in the Hill District of Wilson's native Pittsburgh in 1977. It's a great play, as economic as it is profound and as enjoyable as it is meaningful. Director Cheryl Lynn Bruce's production for Congo Square Theatre has a company of veteran Chicago actors, including Lee Palmer, the patriarch of the car service whose pride prevents him from reuniting with his son. Through Feb. 11 at the Athenaeum Theatre, 2936 N. Southport Ave.; \$35 at 773-935-6875 and www.congosquaretheatre.org

JOHN VON RHEIN
CLASSICAL

Ensemble Dal Niente

Although music by the contemporary American composer Michael Hersch has been widely heard elsewhere, Chicago performances have been rare. Dal Niente will make amends with the Chicago premiere of Hersch's 2014 instrumental monodrama "On the Threshold of Winter," based on poems written by Romanian writer Marin Sorescu after he was diagnosed with cancer. 7 p.m. Saturday, Victory Gardens Biograph Theater, 2433 N. Lincoln Ave.; \$30; 773-871-3000, www.victorygardens.org

GREG KOT
ROCK

Jeff Rosenstock, "POST-"

Jeff Rosenstock has been recording and touring prolifically since the late '90s, a punk lifer who in his mid-30s has made his most accomplished album yet. It was released after a marathon four-day recording session brimming with the type of caffeinated energy typical of his concerts, as if to somehow blast through the bleak, hanging-by-a-thread lyrics. To a degree, much of Rosenstock's solo output (after stints in a series of bands including Bomb the Music Industry! and Kudrow) has been centered on his own sense of inadequacy in the face of the world's crushing indifference. "POST-" ratchets up the stakes — its theme is futility. But there is no quit in Rosenstock's narrators, no matter how harshly they're made to feel like dirt.

'Black Lightning' personal for CW series showrunner

BY DANIELLE TURCHIANO
Variety

The CW's latest superhero team-up with Warner Bros. Television and DC Comics is "Black Lightning," helmed by Salim Akil. Although his show shares its origins in comics with the others already established on the network slate, he isn't interested in having his show exist in a shared universe at this time.

"I kind of feel like the broader audience doesn't really know who Black Lightning is. They know the name now, but I wanted them to really get to know Jefferson and his family first," Akil tells Variety, although he recognizes that "down the line" the network might want "Black Lightning" to be a part of its annual crossover events.

Instead, Akil is focusing on introducing Jefferson Pierce (Cress Williams), his powers and his family to a new audience. Calling Jefferson a "community-based superhero," Akil points out that the show is steeped in his experiences growing up in Richland, Calif., and is deeply personal to him and his writers room — which is made up of predominantly African-American staffers. "We have people who have either lived this life or know someone who has," he says, adding that it's a story about him and people he knows.

"I want to show them respect," he says.

Akil recently spoke about the show, which premiered Tuesday. The following is an edited transcript.

Q: Jefferson has had his powers for years, but in a way there is still an origin story aspect to "Black Lightning" in his daughter's powers begin-



RANDY SHROPSHIRE/GETTY

"Black Lightning" showrunner Salim Akil, top right, with executive producers Mara Brock Ali, left, and Nafessa Williams, says the show is steeped in his experiences.

ning to emerge. Why do her powers show up now at this time in her life?

A: When we talked about each character getting their powers, we wanted to do it in a way that felt personal. She's been trying her damnedest to be involved in the community and really work with the community, and I think the kidnapping really brought something out of her emotionally. She starts having these panic attacks, and that's how it comes out — being involved in something that's really traumatic. It's a show about superheroes, but I try to steep everything, in my mind, to reality, and this was her reaction to a traumatic event. These panic attacks come and unleash something in her.

Q: Are the rules the same for everyone, and if a similar situation caused Jefferson to obtain his powers, will the show flash back to see the when and how of the event?

A: It is how he first exhibited his powers as a child, and we will see that. I sort of did it in reverse.

Usually you do the origin story at the beginning, but we're actually going to see all of that probably in the finale. Each character manifests their powers out of needing them in that moment to save themselves — and when I say "save themselves," it's not saving themselves in the physical aspect, it's saving themselves emotionally.

Q: What kind of responsibility do you feel to tell such "ripped from real life" stories as police brutality and gang violence, given your personal experiences and the platform you have?

A: I feel like I have a responsibility to be true to who I am as an artist, first and foremost. It's like Jefferson: He has these powers, and he's reluctant to use them because he doesn't want to jeopardize what he has in his family. I have this power — I'm one of the few African-American male showrunners in the landscape right now — and I have to be honest. If there's a responsibility, it's just to be honest in what I've experienced and to put it in my work.



ASK AMY

BY AMY DICKINSON

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Tenant causes relationship tension

Dear Amy: My boyfriend "Wally" and I bought our first home together 10 months ago. Three months ago, his friend "Bart" moved into our guest room.

Three weeks later he had furniture delivered. More is in the basement. Bart is self-employed (he buys and trades stocks) but has been traveling overseas off and on. When I broach the subject of finding other housing, he tells me that he doesn't want to rent (even though he rents from us for \$200 a month). He says he'd rather buy a house.

The uncertainty surrounding his stay has caused tension in my relationship with my boyfriend and more than a few fights. We have had ongoing issues, but before Bart arrived, our relationship was in a good place, although communication is clearly still something we need to work on.

All I want is a rough timeline and clear expectations. After more than a year of living in my boyfriend's parents' infested and cluttered basement, I want our home back. I want Bart to re-evaluate his own expectations, find his own apartment and start building his life, so we can focus on building ours.

I'm not sure I will get Wally on board with having this conversation with Bart. I have asked him, but he said he doesn't want to ask too many questions because he believes it is none of our business. I would like to casually start the conversation with both of them in the room so both of us can hear Bart's thoughts concerning his future. I know what I want

to say, but how do I say it without coming off like I'm kicking him out?

— *Crowded*

Dear Crowded: You co-own this house. You have an equal right to express how the house is run and who lives there. I suggest you firmly locate your backbone and freely share your reasonable concern with both men. Because you have allowed this man to live in your home as a tenant, it might be more difficult to get him to leave than you realize.

Most important, you are in a relationship where you don't think you have an equal voice. You seem to have agreed to this tenancy beforehand, and either you were too passive to express your doubts at the time, or the reality of this has given you second thoughts.

Don't ask permission to express yourself. Tell your boyfriend that as a co-owner of this property, you'd like to make this casual arrangement "official," including an end date. Call a "house meeting"; present a legal, short-term lease with a definite expiration; ask "Bart" to sign it; and then hold him to it.

Bart's future plans are his own business, just as his tenancy in your home is your business.

Dear Amy: I've been with my boyfriend for four years. We have been living together for three years.

Lately, I feel I'm wasting my time with this relationship. His family always comes first, and I can't take it. I've talked to him about it, and he always says that things will change soon — but they don't.

I don't know how to

approach the situation. This is a major block in our relationship. We have talked about the future, but it doesn't look bright to me. Can you please give me some help?

— *Almost Done*

Dear Almost Done: You and your guy have been together for several years. You don't give details about his family priorities, but in a healthy relationship, partners put themselves at the center of their family life. His family — and yours — should accept some realignment.

You have described this as a major problem in your relationship, and despite talking about it, he either isn't able — or doesn't want — to change. You already know everything you need to know. If this isn't the relationship you want to be in, you should consider leaving it.

Dear Amy: I just wanted to thank you for your advice for "Burdened," the man worrying about the child he fathered as a teen who was given up for adoption. Honesty and truth are the best policy. As someone who works to reunite adopted children and birth parents, I think Burdened's other children would probably be far angrier to find out about their half-sibling after his death.

Thank you for encouraging him to be honest.

— *Advocate*

Dear Advocate: There has been a large and compassionate response to this question. Thank you.

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WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



Catherine Zeta Jones

"Cocaine Godmother: The Griselda Blanco Story" (7 p.m., 11:01 p.m., Lifetime): Academy Award winner Catherine Zeta Jones ("Chicago") takes the title role in this new 2017 docudrama based on the career of the woman who became a pioneer in the Miami-based cocaine trade. Shortly after arriving in that Florida city with her first husband (Carlos Rodriguez), Griselda soon entered the local drug trade, using beautiful women, the elderly and children as mules to import Colombian cocaine. A documentary on the same subject follows.

"Snatched" (7 p.m., 10:05 p.m., HBO): Amy Schumer stars as recently fired and romantically bruised Emily Middleton, who persuades her mom to join her on a healing trip to Ecuador. Comic madness ensues as the two women are kidnapped. Joan Cusack and Ike Barinholtz co-star in the film.

"Mission: Impossible" (7 p.m., 12:17 a.m., Starz): Tom Cruise stars in this updated movie version of the classic '60s TV series. Faulty plotting makes the twists and turns of this spy mission difficult to follow, but great stunts accompanied by the revved-up theme music make up for weak points in the story. Vanessa Redgrave excels in her bit role. Ving Rhames, Jean Reno and Kristin Scott Thomas also star.

"The Band Wagon" (7 p.m., TCM): Vincente Minnelli directed this tale of an aging movie star (Fred Astaire) who agrees to trip the light fantastic on Broadway, only to find himself crossing purposes with his hopelessly pretentious director (Jack Buchanan). Cyd Charisse, Nanette Fabray and Oscar Levant co-star in the tuneful 1953 musical, which includes the songs "By Myself," "Triplets," "Dancing in the Dark" and "That's Entertainment."

"Planet Earth: Blue Planet II" (8 p.m., 11:30 p.m., BBCA): The next installment in BBC America's Emmy-winning "Planet Earth" series, which premieres simultaneously across such other AMC Networks as AMC, IFC, WE tv and SundanceTV, takes viewers on a revelatory journey into the world of our planet's oceans, still the most undiscovered places on Earth. Four years in the making, the show is presented by Sir David Attenborough and involved 125 expeditions to 39 countries, with filming on every continent and across every ocean.

"One Winter Weekend" (8 p.m., Hallmark): Tired of her current job as a relationship columnist at a women's magazine, Cara Huntley (Taylor Cole) jumps at the opportunity when her editor agrees to let her turn her experiences on a snowboarding weekend with a friend (Rukiya Bernard, "Van Helsing") into a piece for the publication. When a reservations mix-up forces the women to share a chalet with two male guests (Jack Turner, Dewshane Williams), romance takes its usual course in this new 2018 TV movie.

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SATURDAY EVENING, JAN. 20

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BROADCAST	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
CBS	2	NCIS: Los Angeles: "Get-away." C	48 Hours C	48 Hours C	48 Hours: "All-American Murder." (N) C	News (N)	News (N) ♦	
NBC	5	Will & Grace C	Superstore C	Dateline NBC: "The Evil to Come." C	Saturday Night Live (N) C	Saturday Night Live (N) C	NBC 5 News at 10pm (N)	
ABC	7	NBA Countdown (N) C	NBA Basketball: Golden State Warriors at Houston Rockets. From the Toyota Center in Houston. (N) (Live) C	Eyewitness News (N) ♦				
WGN	9	Nacho Libre (PG, '06) ** Jack Black. A Mexican cook moonlights as a professional wrestler. C	WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live) C	Man of the People				
Antenna	9.2	Morning McHale Knows Best	Jack Benny	Burns/Allen Jeannie	Bewitched			
This TV	9.3	The Magnificent Seven: "Ghosts of the Confederacy."		The Young Riders C	Y'ng Rider ♦			
PBS	11	800 Words (N) C	Father Brown: "The Time Machine." C	Death in Paradise C	Victoria-Master ♦			
The U	26.1	King of Hill Amer. Dad Amer. Dad	Family Guy Family Guy	Burgers				
MeTV	26.3	Svengoolie: "Godzilla vs. Mothra." C	Batman C Batman C	Star Trek ♦				
H&I	26.4	Hunter: "The Big Fall." C	Hill Street Blues C	Hill Street Blues C	Wiseguy ♦			
Bounce	26.5	♦ (6) Annapolis ('06) ** Baby Boy (R, '01) *** Tyrese Gibson, Omar Gooding.						
FOX	32	The Four: Battle for Stardom: "Week Three." C	Fox 32 News Inside the Bears	Hell's Kitchen ♦				
Ion	38	Law & Order: SVU Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law-SVU ♦			
TeleM	44	♦ Planes: Fire! The Italian Job (G, '69) ** Michael Caine, Noel Coward. C			Noticiero			
CW	50	AHL Hockey: Bakersfield Condors at Chicago Wolves. (N) (Live)			Crimes (N) ♦			
UniMas	60	♦ (6) Abajo el telón ('55) Red Dawn (PG-13, '12) * Chris Hemsworth, Josh Peck.			Push ♦			
WJYS	62	Paid Prog. Moses Bishop Songs and	Paid Prog. Paid Prog.	Ultimate				
Univ	66	♦ (6:55) Fútbol Mexicano Primera División (N) (Live)	Fútbol Mexicano Primera División (N) ♦					
CABLE								
AE		Live PD: Rewind (N) C	Live PD: "Live PD -- 01.20.18." (N) (Live) C					
AMC		♦ The Day After Tomorrow	Planet Earth: Blue Planet II (N) C	Day-Tomorrow ♦				
ANIM		Pit Bulls and Parolees	Pit Bulls and Parolees (N) (9:08) The Vet Life (N)	Pit Bulls ♦				
BBCA		♦ (6:50) Planet Earth II C	Planet Earth: Blue Planet II (Season Premiere) (N) C	Planet Earth II C				
BET		♦ The Single Moms Club ★ Madea's Big Happy Family C						
BIGTEN		College Hockey: Minnesota vs Michigan State. (N) (Live) C		The B1G	The B1G			
BRAVO		♦ (6:14) GoodFellas (R, '90) **** Robert De Niro, Ray Liotta. C		(9:22) GoodFellas ('90) ♦				
CLTV		News at 7 News (N) News at 8 News (N)	Chic.Best Weekend	News (N)				
CNN		The Filthy The Filthy The Filthy The Filthy The Filthy	The Filthy The Filthy The Filthy	The Filthy				
COM		♦ (5:20) Shanghai Noon Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby (PG-13, '06) ***		Sp. Report ♦				
DISC		♦ Barrett-Jackson Live (N) Barrett-Jackson Live (N) C						
DISN		Disney's Descendants 2 (NR, '17) Dova Cameron. C	Andi Mack Stuck	Walk the Mean Girls (PG-13, '04) *** Lindsay Lohan. C	Mean Girls (PG-13, '04) *** C			
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ESPN		(7:15) College Basketball: Florida at Kentucky. (N)	College Basketball (N) ♦					
ESPN2		SportsCenter (N) (Live) C	2018 Australian Open Tennis: Round of 16. (N) (Live) C					
FNC		Watters' World (N) C	Justice With Jeanine (N) Greg Gutfeld (N)	Watters ♦				
FOOD		Worst Cooks in America Worst Cooks in America	Worst Cooks in America	Worst Cooks in America	Cooks ♦			
FREE		♦ (6:15) Big Hero 6 (PG, '14) ***	Beauty and the Beast (G, '91) **** C					
FX		♦ (5) Thor: The Dark World Jurassic World (PG-13, '15) ** Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard. C						
HALL		♦ (6) Frozen in Love ('18) One Winter Weekend (NR, '18) Taylor Cole. C		Golden Girls				
HGTV		Property Brothers C	Property Brothers C	House Hunters Reno (N)	Log Cabin			
HIST		Pawn Stars: Pumped Up: "Prized Pawns." (N) C						
HLN		Forensic Forensic Forensic Forensic Forensic Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic		
IFC		♦ Lara Croft Tomb Raider Planet Earth: Blue Planet II (N) C	Bill & Ted's Adventure ♦					
LIFE		Cocaine Godmother: The Griselda Blanco Story (NR, '18) C	Griselda, God (N) ♦					
MSNBC		Revolution: Google and The 11th Hour		Deadline: White House Hardball ♦				
MTV		♦ (5:30) Twilight (PG-13, '08) *** C	The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG-13, '09) *** C					
NBCSCH		Pregame (N) NHL Hockey: New York Islanders at Chicago Blackhawks. (N) C		Postgame				
NICK		Thunder (N) Nicky (N) Full House Full House	Fresh Prince Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince Friends C				
Ovation		♦ (6) Contact (PG, '97) *** Jodie Foster, Matthew McConaughey.	A League of Their Own ♦					
OWN		Iyanla, Fix My Life C	My 600-Lb. Life: "Cynthia's Story." C	Iyanla ♦				
OXY		Killer Couples C	Snapped: Killer Couples Snapped: Killer Couples	Killer ♦				
SPIKE		♦ Indiana Jones Bellator MMA Live (N) (Live) C						
SYFY		♦ Contagion Mad Max: Fury Road (R, '15) *** Tom Hardy. C		Futurama				
TBS		Big Bang Big Bang Big Bang Big Bang	Big Bang Big Bang	Full Frontal				
TCM		The Band Wagon (NR, '53) *** Fred Astaire. C		(9:15) Royal Wedding (NR, '02) ***				
TLC		Say Yes to the Dress (N) C		(9:04) Four Weddings C				
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Horoscopes

Today's birthday (Jan. 20): Professional opportunities abound this year. Discipline with spiritual practice and strategic planning pays off. Redirect a partnership this winter, before valuable personal discoveries illuminate a new path. Reach and exceed health and fitness goals next summer, before a romantic collaboration heats up. Follow your passion.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Slow down, and consider the road ahead. All is not apparent. Take feelings, emotions and sensitivities into account. Prepare for different scenarios.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Pull together, and make sure that what you're building is strong. Share what you're doing that works. Coordinate efforts to strengthen teamwork and ease.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Take on more responsibility at work. Consider new professional possibilities. What will it take to rise to the next level? Draw upon hidden resources.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 9. Explore new frontiers. Try a different mode of transportation. Savor unusual flavors. Stay in communication with your home base as you push boundaries.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Collaborate to grow family finances. Make an overdue change. Set long-term plans, and work together to advance them. Check out an interesting suggestion.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. It's a good day to make pledges and promises with your partner. Learn something new about someone familiar. Create new possibilities together.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. The excellent work you've been doing reflects you well. Keep showing up. Provide steadiness and stability. You're gaining respect and status.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Declare your heart to the one who makes it beat louder. Talk and dream about the future. It's easy to align on common desires.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Family comes first. Walk and talk together. Alternate between physical exercise and quiet reverie. Listen to young people. Prioritize laughter.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Communication channels are wide open. Repay a favor. Connect with your network and share resources. Provide what you can. Love energizes you.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 9. Business booms. Your work is in demand. Your ideas are attracting attention and it could get profitable. The more you complete, the more you gain.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. Follow a dream. Get intimately involved with a personal project. Accept assistance and support. Use something you've been saving. Pursue a passion.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn**Bliss** By Harry Bliss**Bridge**

Neither vulnerable, South deals, North-South have a 40 point part score

North

♦ 10 7
♥ Q J
♦ Q 6 5 4 3
♣ A J 8 3

East

♦ J 9 8 5 3
♥ A
♦ K 8 7 2
♣ 10 9 4

West

♦ Q 4 2
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♦ A 9
♣ K 2

South

♦ A K 6
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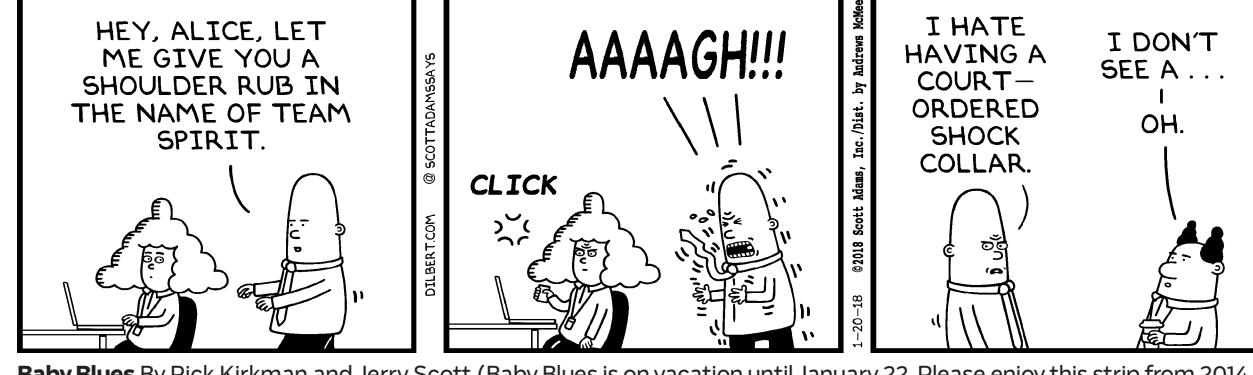
The opening heart lead was won by East perforce, and East had to consider his shift. A switch to diamonds would have defeated the contract, enabling both a diamond ruff for partner and a heart ruff for himself. The queen of diamonds in dummy made the diamond shift potentially very dangerous, so East shifted to a low spade instead.

South won the spade shift with the ace and led a low club to dummy's jack. East followed smoothly with the nine, trying to look like a man who started with 10-nine doubleton. This play is known as an "obligatory falsecard," a play that

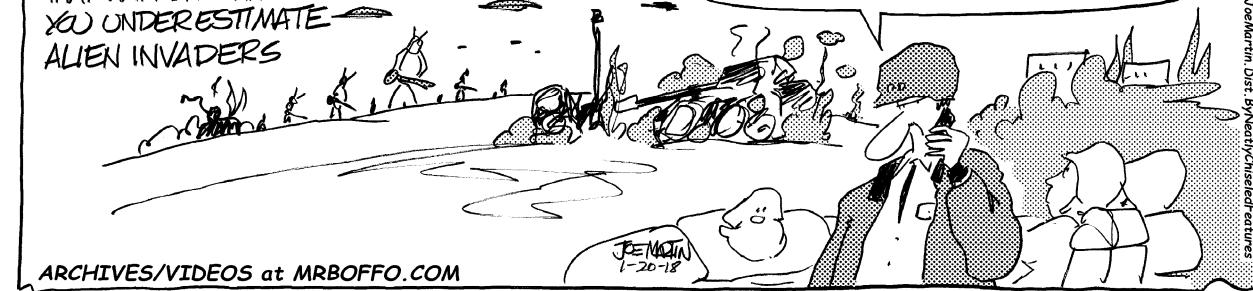
must be made in order to give declarer a losing option. Had East not played the nine, or the 10, South would have had no choice but to cash the ace of clubs and hope for the king to drop — a play that would have worked on this deal.

Declarer gave the nine a suspicious look, but decided that it was an honest card. He crossed back to his hand with the king of spades and led the queen of clubs. This fetched the king from West but not the 10 from East, and the defense had a trump trick. South cashed the queen of hearts and led a low diamond. East stepped up smartly with the king, cashed the 10 of clubs, and led a third round of spades. This forced dummy's last trump, and declarer had another diamond plus a heart to lose. Down one.

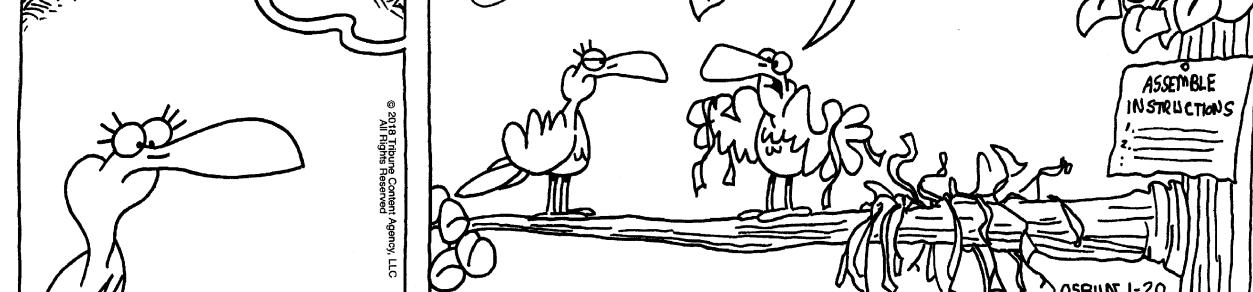
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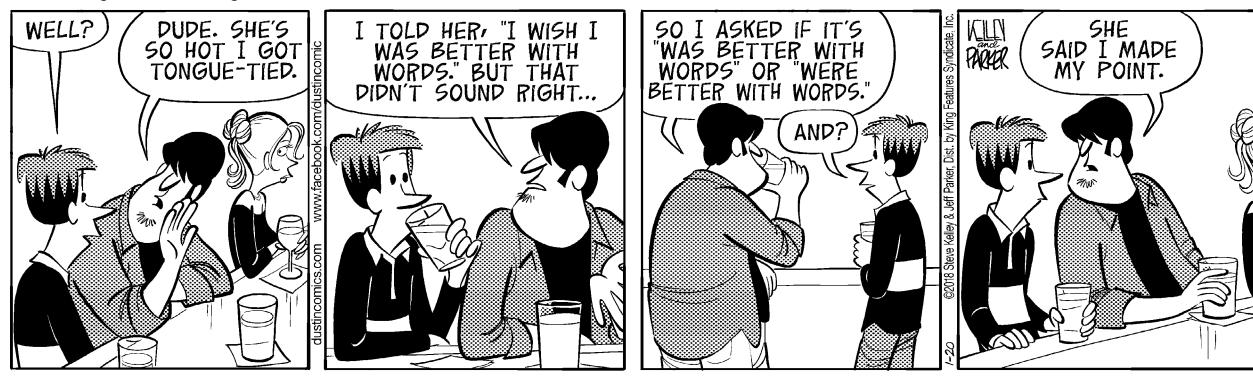
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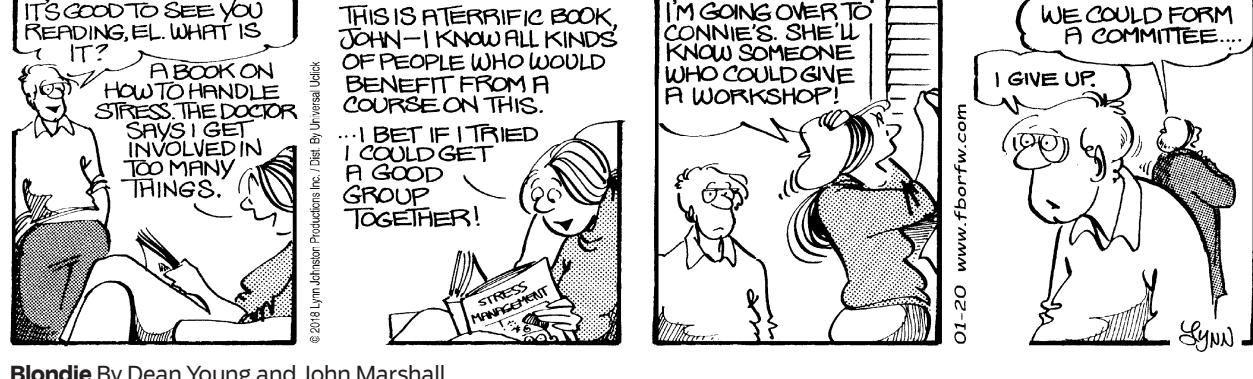
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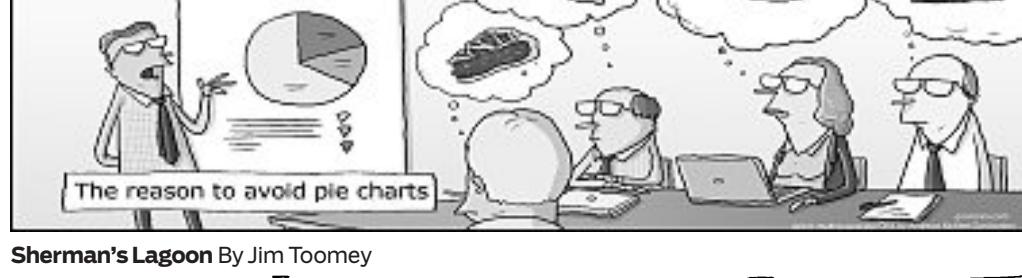
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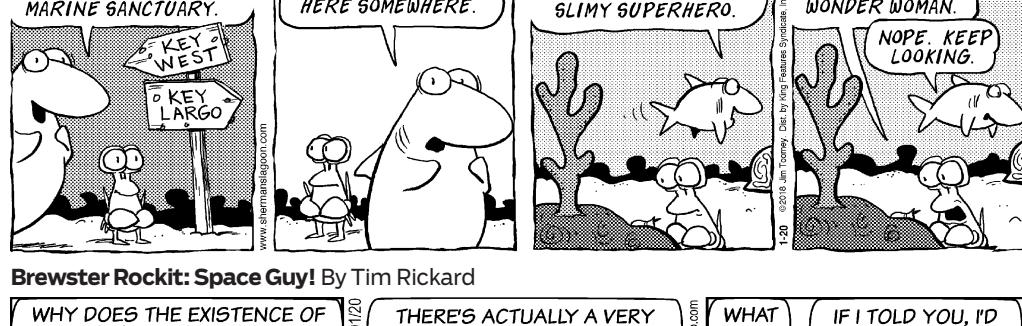
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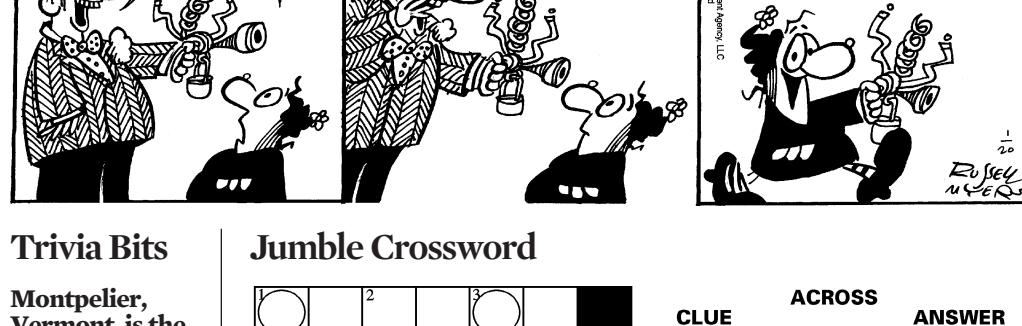
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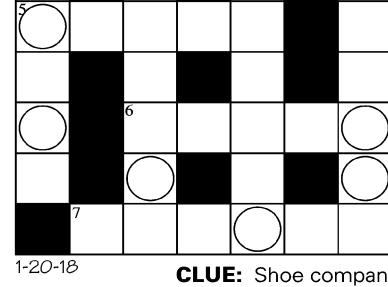
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1. Empty
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On Thursday's, Hubbard Inn offers **Live at the Lounge**, a free weekly music series held on their first floor. Patrons will be transported back in time every Thursday from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. through the vocals and soulful sounds of Kelsey Quinn Mark. The contemporary lounge singer is a vocalist who has toured with Atlantic Records performing at the nation's top festivals like Lollapalooza, Sasquatch, SXSW and Bonnaroo.

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Also, still available is Hubbard Inn's Winter dining menu. Incorporating modernized, European-inspired small plates, Executive Chef Matthew Wilde's new menu features seasonal ingredients, sourced locally whenever possible, and savory shareable dishes, perfect for winter weather dining.

To complement the new menu, guests can sip on classic cocktails like a House Manhattan featuring Hubbard Inn's own hand-selected, small batch Knob Creek private barrel bourbon, aged 9 years, with Carpano Antica, Angostura Bitters and a cherry, or The Hepburn with Effen Cucumber, St. Germain and fresh lemon.

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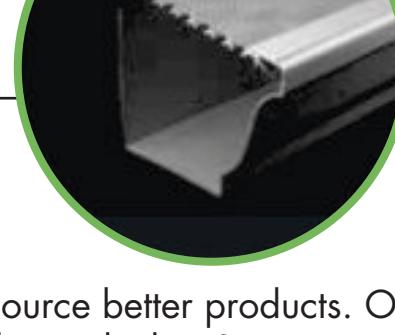
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Common denominator: stellar 'D'Sure, having Tom Brady at QB helps. But these semifinalists have ridden their defenses to the brink of a Super Bowl berth — all four ranked in the top five in points allowed. **Page 2**

NFC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Vikings at Eagles

5:40 p.m. Sunday, FOX-32

■ Neither team has won a Super Bowl. Eagles (plus 3) are home dogs for 2nd week in row.

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Back
— but
when?

Quenneville expects Crawford to return but can't pinpoint timeline

BY PAUL SKRBINA | Chicago Tribune

Corey Crawford will return to the Blackhawks this season.

At least coach Joel Quenneville says he is confident about that.

"That's our expectation and our hope," Quenneville said Friday after his team returned to the ice for the first time since Sunday.

Though he clarified his stance on whether Crawford would return, Quenneville left the "when" up in the air as the 33-year-old goaltender recovers from what the team deemed an upper-body injury.

Quenneville said Crawford has been in Chicago since he was put on injured reserve Dec. 27, but he refused to offer any more details amid reports earlier this week that the team was concerned he could be out for the season.

"Progress, to me, the next point would be seeing him get ready to get on the ice," Quenneville said. "So I can say we haven't seen much progress. That's where we're at with that."

Placing Crawford on long-term injured reserve "is not part of the discussion" at this point, Quenneville said.

Crawford has missed 10 straight games since he was put on IR, making him eligible for such a designation per league rules.

Crawford last played

Turn to Hawks, Page 3

UP NEXT
Islanders at Blackhawks
7:30 p.m. Saturday, NBCSCH

Blackhawks goalie Corey Crawford has missed 11 games. He last played Dec. 23.

BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

BULLS: Kris Dunn's nasty fall creates another upheaval at point guard entering Saturday's game against the Hawks (4 p.m., WGN-9). **Page 3**

Survivors' stories still pouring in

Raisman latest gymnast to confront Nassar at sentencing

BY DAVID EGGERT
AND MIKE HOUSEHOLDER
Associated Press

LANSING, Mich. — Olympic gold medalist Aly Raisman on Friday confronted her former doctor who has pleaded guilty to multiple sexual assaults, warning him that the testimony of the "powerful army" of 140 survivors at his sentencing will haunt him in prison.



Raisman

More than 80 of the women and girls whom Larry Nassar abused under the guise of medical treatment have stood before the court during a marathon sentencing hearing that began Tuesday, describing with eloquence and sometimes tears the harm Nassar did and the impact he has had on their lives.

"You have not taken gymnastics away from me," Raisman said. "I love this sport, and that love is stronger than the evil that resides in you, in those who enabled you to hurt many people."

Facing pressure over how Michigan State University handled allegations made against Nassar when he was employed there, the school's board of trustees on Friday asked the state's attorney general to investigate but stood by university president Lou Anna Simon — who is facing calls to resign or to be fired by the board.

Turn to Gymnasts, Page 6

Experience, depth issues hurt offense

Youth, departures may hinder Illini's aim to transform attack



During Illinois' last game, a Northwestern defensive end knocked the ball out of quarterback Cam Thomas' hands, and another Wildcat scooped it up and ran it into the end zone to put the game out of reach. It encapsulated a season full of offensive struggles for the Illini.

Thomas, a freshman from Marian Catholic who was making his second start, was the third quarterback option of the season. Together, Illinois quarterbacks combined for eight touchdown passes and 19 interceptions in one of the nation's least efficient offenses.

How could things get worse?

As of this week, Thomas (42.4 completion percentage, no touchdowns, five interceptions) is the only returning quarterback on scholarship. Chayce Crouch, who would have been a fifth-year senior next fall, announced Wednesday he is done with football. Shortly before his announcement, Jeff George Jr. revealed he plans to transfer for his final two seasons of eligibility.

Incoming freshman MJ Rivers, a three-star dual-threat recruit from Texas, signed with Illinois last month and will enroll in

Turn to Ryan, Page 2

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MLS DRAFT

Fire deal Accam, trade up to No. 5

Winger sent to Philly; in another move, club drafts top college player

BY CHRIS BOGOHSSIAN
Chicago Tribune

Say this much for the Fire: They weren't satisfied with simply ending their four-year playoff drought last season.

Two days after re-signing German star Bastian Schweinsteiger to a one-year deal, the club on Friday traded star winger David Accam to the Philadelphia Union for \$1.2 million in allocation money and then traded up for two top-10 picks in the MLS draft.

The Fire sent goalkeeper Matt Lampson, the No. 15 pick and \$175,000 to Minnesota United FC for the No. 5 pick, which was used to select Wake Forest forward Jon Bakero, who won this season's Mac Hermann Trophy as the most outstanding college player. Bakero, 21, had 37 goals and 26 assists in 88 collegiate games.

The Fire then gave Real Salt Lake \$85,000 for the No. 10 pick and took Syracuse midfielder and English international Mo Adams, 21. They selected Clemson midfielder Diego Campos, 22, in the second round and have two more picks — No. 3 in the third round (49th overall) and No. 15 in the fourth round (84th).

Rounds 3 and 4 are Sunday.

Accam, 27, a designated player from Ghana, had 33 goals and 15 assists in 78 games over three seasons with the Fire, leading the team in goals in 2015 and 2016 and finishing second to MLS Golden Boot winner Nemanja Nikolic last season.

Despite his success since coming to the Fire from Swedish club Helsingborg in December 2014, Accam last season had a falling out with coach Veljko Paunovic, particularly because Paunovic left him off the MLS All-Star roster for the game against Spanish power Real Madrid at Soldier Field. Paunovic, as coach of the MLS stars, selected the final 11 players after fan voting.

Accam reportedly asked to be moved; instead, the Fire in August picked up his option for 2018. He helped them to a 16-11-7 record and third place in the Eastern Conference — a remarkable turnaround after consecutive last-place finishes in MLS — but the Fire lost to the New York Red Bulls in the knockout round in their first playoff appearance since 2012.

On Thursday, the Fire acquired defender Rafael Ramos and \$100,000 in allocation money from Orlando City SC in exchange for the Homegrown rights to midfielder Cameron Lindley. Ramos, 23, of Portugal, had five assists in 39 games for Orlando City from 2015-17. He is under contract for the 2018 season with a club option for 2019.

The Accam deal leaves the Fire with two Designated Players — Schweinsteiger and Nikolic — meaning they have one spot open. And without Lampson, who started 24 games in 2017, the Fire could be looking for another goalie.

Reports last month linked goalkeeper Iker Casillas, who captained Spain to victory in the 2010 World Cup as well as the 2008 and 2012 European championships, with the Fire. Casillas, 36, regarded as one of the best keepers of all time, spent the majority of his career with Real Madrid and helped it win the Champions League in 2000, 2002 and 2014.

Currently playing for Portuguese club Porto, "Saint Iker" reportedly spoke to his former Spain international teammate David Villa, who has played for New York City FC for the last three seasons, about the move to MLS.

Draft highlights: Expansion team Los Angeles FC selected Akron defender Joao Moutinho, 19, with the No. 1 pick. ... Schaumburg's Chris Mueller was selected sixth by Orlando City. The 21-year-old forward was the 2017 offensive player of the year in the Big Ten as a Wisconsin senior. He played nine seasons for Sockers FC Chicago in Palatine. ... Notre Dame forward Jon Gallagher went to Atlanta United at No. 14. ... Chicago native Xavier Gomez, a Maine West graduate who played midfield for Nebraska-Omaha, went to New York City in the second round (42nd overall).

Tribune news services contributed.

NFL

STEPHEN B. MORTON/AP

Jaguars defensive lineman Calais Campbell registered a league-leading 14 1/2 sacks this season.

A-plus on 'D'

Final 4 among league's stingiest defensive units

BY HOWARD FENDRICH
Associated Press

Four of the five teams that gave up the fewest points during the regular season are the last four left with a shot at the Super Bowl, something that never had happened since the NFL-AFL merger nearly a half-century ago.

And three of the four toughest to gain yards against are still around too.

Still think that all a team needs to succeed in the modern game is an elite quarterback? Go ahead and take a close look at the matchups for the conference championship games.

Sure, Tom Brady — assuming his injured right hand is good to go — and the Patriots will be playing for the AFC title, just as they always do, but they'll be going up against Blake Bortles and the Jaguars. In the NFC, the Eagles will send Nick Foles out to face the Vikings and Case Keenum, hardly a marquee matchup between quarterbacks — and one set up by injuries.

What this quartet of teams does have in common is solid defense, showing once again that while everyone is paying so much attention to one side of the ball, it's the other side that might truly matter most. The more league rules and officiating tend to favor offenses, figuring out ways to slow that down is imperative.

"When you have a defense that can shut that type of firepower down," said Brian Robison, a linebacker on a Vikings defense that ranked No. 1 in yards and points allowed, "it allows you to win ballgames."

The Vikings gave up 15.8 points per game. The Jaguars were No. 2 at 16.8, followed by the No. 4 Eagles' 18.4 and No. 5 Patriots' 18.5.

"There's teams that have really good defenses that aren't talked about," Patriots linebacker Kyle Van Noy said. "We're one of them."

It's the first time since the 1970 merger the NFL's final four had this sort of defensive dominance. The closest was the 2010 season, when teams that ranked No. 1 (Steelers), No. 2 (Packers), No. 4 (Bears) and No. 6 (Jets) in points allowed reached the conference title games.

"Nine times out of 10, your detail goes into your offensive planning," said the Jaguars' leading tackler, Telvin Smith, who returned a fumble 50 yards for a touchdown last weekend.

"Offense sells tickets and defense wins championships. I'm happy I'm on the defensive side."

He is part of a young, talented and speedy unit that rose to prominence quickly via a combination of shrewd drafting — Smith and fellow linebacker Myles Jack, defensive ends Yannick Ngakoue and Dante Fowler Jr., cornerback Jalen Ramsey — and free-agent signings that

panned out — defensive linemen Calais Campbell, cornerback A.J. Bouye, safeties Barry Church and Tashaun Gipson.

Take a look at the rankings in various regular-season defensive categories and one can't miss the Jaguars. That helps explain how they made it this far with Bortles, whose 84.7 rating was 22nd among quarterbacks with at least 100 pass attempts and whose 13 interceptions were exceeded by only six players.

Campbell tied for second in NFL with 14 1/2 sacks, while Ngakoue added 12 and led the league by forcing six fumbles. Bouye tied for third with six interceptions, while Ramsey, Gipson and Church each had four.

As a unit, the Jaguars were No. 2 in yards allowed at 286.1, trailing the Vikings (275.9), with the Eagles (306.5) at No. 4. The Jaguars were also second in sacks and takeaways and topped the NFL with seven defensive touchdowns.

Exceptional defense can carry a team far. In nine of the last 10 seasons, the No. 1 or No. 2 team in points allowed participated in a conference title game.

The exception was 2015, when the Seahawks led the league in that category but lost in the divisional round and the Bengals ranked second but lost in the wild-card round.

"Now it's down to, 'May the best defense win,'" Eagles linebacker Nigel Bradham said. "We each get to showcase what we can do."

NFL NOTES

Will Brady play? 'We'll see'

Pats QB won't discuss status for title game; 2 Vikes starters ailing

Tribune news services

Tom Brady stayed mum Friday on his status for the AFC championship game after injuring his right hand this week.

Brady said only "we'll see" when asked whether he would play Sunday against the Jaguars.

The quarterback wore red gloves and responded to several other questions about how much he practiced or how he got injured by saying, "I'm not talking about that."

Brady is listed as questionable after being a limited participant in practice Friday. He was also limited Wednesday and sat out Thursday.

The four-time Super Bowl MVP has never missed a playoff start during his 18-year career.

Brian Hoyer is his backup.

Question marks: Vikings receiver Adam Thielen (back)

and safety Andrew Sendejo (concussion) are questionable for Sunday's NFC championship game against the Eagles.

Thielen, the Vikings' top receiver, was a limited participant in practice Thursday and Friday.

Sendejo was still in concussion protocol after being hurt in last weekend's win over the Saints.

Olivo joins Bears: Brock Olivo is joining the Bears as a assistant special teams coach.

Olivo was the special teams coordinator for the Broncos last season. He was an assistant under Chiefs special teams coordinator Dave Toub from 2014-16 — while new Bears head coach Matt Nagy was on the staff.

He also was a former running back and special teams standout for the Lions.

Jets' Anderson arrested: Jets receiver Robby Anderson

faces nine charges in Sunrise,

Fla., including threatening a police officer's family and saying he would rape the officer's wife.

A police report shows Anderson

son was stopped early Friday after running two red lights and swerving while traveling about 105 mph. He also could face punishment under the NFL's conduct policy.

Anderson set career highs with 63 catches, 941 yards receiving and seven touchdowns in his second year with the Jets.

Extra points: The Dolphins

hired former Bears offensive coordinator Dowell Loggains to the same position, though coach Adam Gase will continue to call plays.

Also, Jeremiah Washburn was hired as OL coach, and DBs coach Lou Anarumo, RBs coach Danny Barrett and DL coach Terrell Williams were let go.

The Titans talked with Rams offensive coordinator Matt LaFleur for their head-coaching job, the third to be interviewed.

The NFL said the Raiders complied with the "Rooney rule" when they hired Jon Gruden as coach.

The Panthers parted ways with special teams coordinator Thomas McGaughy.

COLLEGES

Illini tab new O-coordinator

Illinois coach Lovie Smith bolstered his offensive staff Friday by hiring a Rich Rodriguez protege as coordinator and dipping into the high school ranks for a new tight ends coach.

Offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach Rod Smith has spent 10 of his 22 years in coaching under Rodriguez, including the last six seasons as co-offensive coordinator at Arizona. Smith also played quarterback for Rodriguez at NAIA Glenville State in the mid-1990s.

"Rod Smith brings terrific and exciting offensive experience to our staff," Lovie Smith said in a statement. "His background and development of dual-threat quarterbacks and multiple-threat offenses is the direction we are going here. Rod has developed explosive quarterback play and offensive performance at each of his coaching stops."

He replaces Garrick McGee, whom Lovie Smith fired in December after two seasons in Champaign.

Illinois also named Cory Patterson, who was head coach at Trinity Catholic High School in St. Louis, as its tight ends coach. Special teams coordinator Bob Ligashesky, who coached tight ends the last two seasons, will concentrate only on special teams.

Illini offensive tackle Larry Boyd, who started nine games as a freshman last fall, played for Patterson at Trinity Catholic, which went 27-6 the last three seasons under Patterson and played in the 2016 Missouri Class 2 title game.

"Cory Patterson is an up-and-coming star in the coaching world," Lovie Smith said in a statement. "He is a high-energy, highly motivated young coach."

Both hires are pending approval by the Illinois board of trustees.

— Shannon Ryan

Illini facing obstacles on offense

Ryan, from Page 1

June. Peoria's Coran Taylor plans to sign in February, his high school coach told Illini Inquirer. He committed to Illinois in April but did not sign during the early period reportedly because of academic issues.

Illinois also will have a new offensive coordinator after coach Lovie Smith on Friday hired Rod Smith, who was co-offensive coordinator under Rich Rodriguez at Arizona the last six seasons.

The selection of Rod Smith and the recruitment of Thomas, Rivers and Taylor the last two years makes it clear that Lovie Smith wants to move away from the traditional pocket passes the Illini have had in recent seasons with Wes Lunt and George. Rod Smith played quarterback for Rodriguez — a pioneer of the no-huddle, run-oriented spread offense — at NAIA Glenville State and served as his quarterbacks coach at West Virginia and Michigan, tutoring dual threats Pat White and Denard Robinson.

Last year at Arizona, sophomore quarterback Khalil Tate ranked seventh in the country with 128.3 rushing yards per game, including an FBS quarterback record 327 in his first start of the season against Colorado. The Wildcats ranked fifth nationally in scoring (41.3 points per game) and 12th in total offense (489.5 yards per game) — a far cry from Illinois, which ranked 126th in both categories (15.4 ppg, 280.4 ypg) while going 2-10 overall and 0-9 in the Big Ten.

Illinois likely will bring in a graduate transfer or two to provide some experience at quarterback — and extra bodies. A lack of depth was an issue in 2017, and it won't be cleared up next season. George was the 11th scholarship player to announce plans to transfer since the season ended.

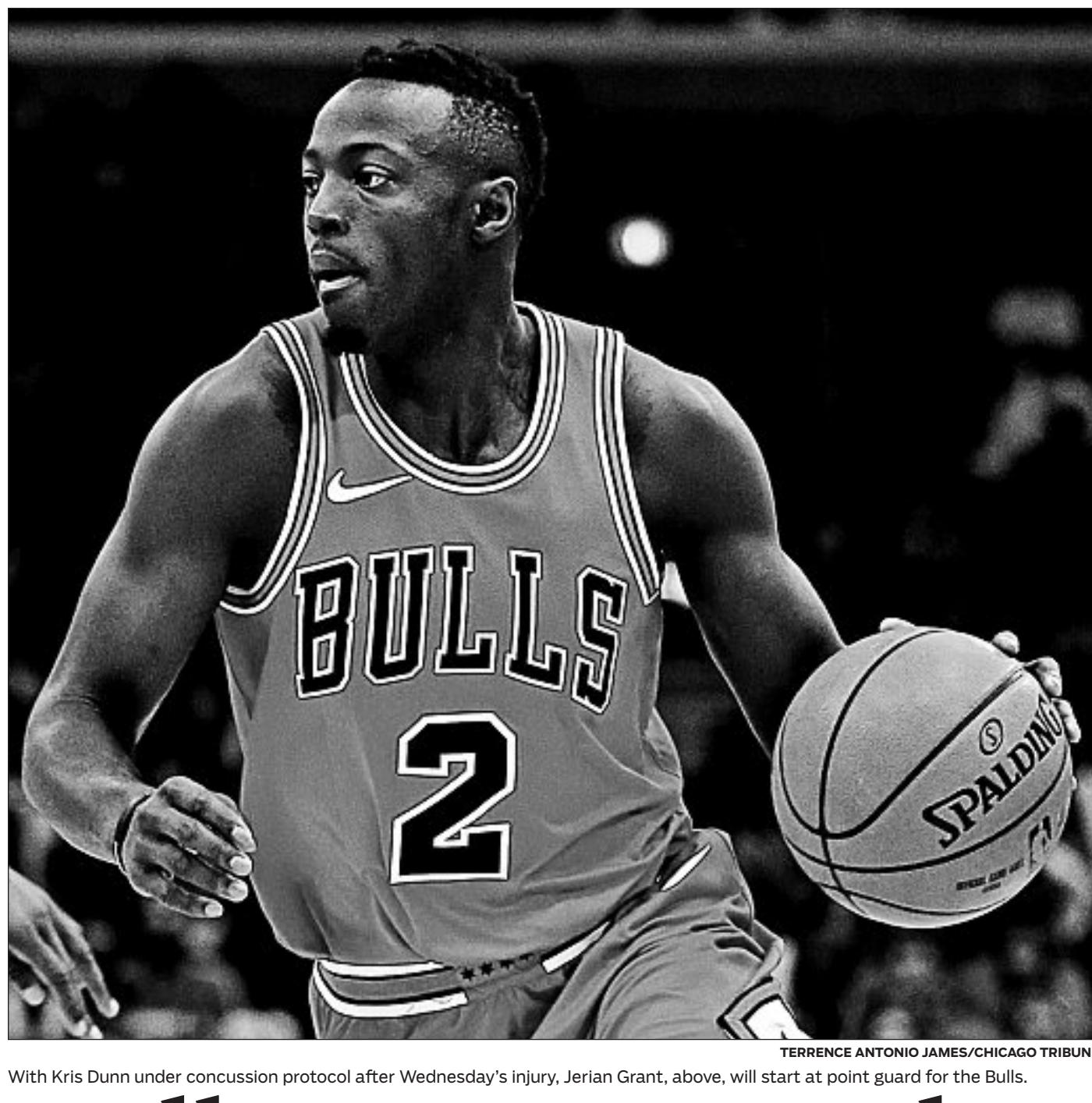
Illinois scrambled to find a capable quarterback as Crouch and George struggled with accuracy. Thomas showed flashes and fits more into the system Lovie Smith prefers. His experience last season will help, and Illini fans will have to hope the incoming freshmen can handle the possibility of being thrown into action.

At the end of last season, Thomas predicted improvement, saying the Illini were ready for a "revolution."

Especially on offense, Illinois needs more of an evolution.

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BULLS

With Kris Dunn under concussion protocol after Wednesday's injury, Jerian Grant, above, will start at point guard for the Bulls.

Still on spin cycle

With Dunn out, Bulls must endure more changes to rotation

BY K.C. JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

Jerian Grant will start. Zach LaVine, Denzel Valentine and G League call-up Ryan Arcidiacono need to be ready.

And the Bulls hope never again to see video of Kris Dunn's nasty fall that concussed him, dislocated his two front teeth and created the current upheaval at point guard.

"Tough to watch," Grant said.

Added coach Fred Hoiberg: "When you see the nasty, nasty fall and the chip out of the floor, the fact he didn't lose his teeth completely is unbelievable. He has a lot of pain in his mouth. They put braces on him in the training room to try to stabilize the area. But right now, the concern is the concussion."

Dunn didn't travel as the Bulls flew to Atlanta to begin a three-game trip Saturday. Hoiberg said doctors will evaluate Dunn daily as part of the league's concussion protocol. It's likely he won't join the team for subsequent stops in New Orleans and Philadelphia. LaVine is scheduled to play in the fourth quarter of all three games.

"The thing we're thankful for is it wasn't worse. That could've been a major, major injury," Hoiberg said. "Obviously, it is a significant one with the concussion. You can't take these things lightly. But the way he fell and hit headfirst, we're really thankful he'll be back hopefully before too long."

"We'll take a cautious approach because of how significant concussions are. And he's in a lot of pain. The main concern with Kris right now is to get him better. We're not going to mope about not having him."

The Bulls are 4-11 in games Grant started. He averaged 8.1 points and 6.1

WLS wants out of Bulls, Sox deals

BY PHIL ROSENTHAL | Chicago Tribune

The radio rights to the White Sox and Bulls suddenly appear to be up for grabs.

WLS-AM 890's parent company, Atlanta-based Cumulus Media, on Thursday said it has filed motions with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in New York seeking to get out from under "a handful of extremely unprofitable contracts, including those with the Chicago White Sox and the Chicago Bulls" and its deal to operate and eventually acquire Merlin Media's Chicago stations, WKQX-FM 101.1 and WLUP-FM 97.9.

The court's decision is expected Feb. 1.

The Sox and Bulls issued a joint statement Friday, acknowledging they have worked with Cumulus "to find an amicable solution that would provide broadcast continuity to our fans, while

addressing Cumulus' financial issue" but have failed to come to an agreement.

"The teams remain confident in finding a radio broadcast solution for their fans and, together, the Bulls and White Sox are exploring all options for a new radio home," the statement said. "The teams will make announcements regarding future broadcast plans as updates are available."

The Sox are in the middle of a six-year deal with WLS-AM that began in April 2016. The Bulls are in a five-year agreement that began in November 2016.

Cumulus said it is seeking to get out from fewer than 20 of its more than 15,000 contracts.

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assists in those games.

"I've been here before, so I'm prepared. I've started a lot of games in my career," Grant said. "The last time I started, we got a win and I did what I had to do. So I'm prepared to do whatever we need to do to get a win."

Part of that Saturday will be trying to slow Hawks point guard Dennis Schroder, who is averaging 20.1 points and 6.8 assists.

"He's a guy who gets into the paint," Grant said. "We'll be focused a lot on him, but as long as we keep focusing on what we do, we'll be all right."

In his first three games back, LaVine started at shooting guard but also logged minutes as the primary ballhandler with the second unit. Not only will that look continue, but Hoiberg said LaVine will see fourth-quarter action for the first time Saturday. His minutes will be extended from 20 to about 24 for all three games on

the trip.

"See how he responds," Hoiberg said. "We're not going to overextend him right now. It's still very early in the process as far as getting in game shape. We don't want him to get fatigued. We'll keep his rotation stretches short."

"But we'll have him available some in the fourth to give us what Kris does down the stretch. Kris has been as good as anybody on our team as far as helping us close out games."

Dunn was trying to engineer a fourth-quarter comeback against the Warriors on Wednesday when he descended awkwardly from a dunk and landed on his face.

LaVine, Nikola Mirotic and Lauri Markkanen will be counted on more heavily in closing time until Dunn returns.

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BULLS NOTES

Durable Lopez proving his worth every game

BY K.C. JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

Robin Lopez is averaging 12.7 points, 1.4 more than his career best set in 2012-13 with the New Orleans Hornets.

His 2.1 assists per game are 0.7 more than his career best. And his 53.3 percent shooting falls neatly in line with his career mark of 52.7 percent.

But another statistic might make even the attention-averse Lopez proud. He's one of three Bulls to play in all 45 games and the only one to start all of them.

"I want to play as many games as I possibly can," Lopez said. "I enjoy being with my teammates."

Lopez has been remarkably durable in his first two seasons with the Bulls, missing only one game last season because of a suspension for a scuffle with the Raptors' **Serge Ibaka**. He has played in all 82 games three times, once each with the Hornets, Trail Blazers and Knicks.

"Luck plays a part in it," Lopez said. "But you get a better idea of what your body is capable of after a few years."

Lopez said it would "be cool" if he played in all 82 games again and an accomplishment of which he would be "pretty proud."

fives now, we've gone with a different look. And Robin has handled that well. He's just a really, really good teammate."

Zach attack: With **Zach LaVine** set to play fourth-quarter minutes for the first time Saturday, Hoiberg is confident he will bounce back from his 2-for-12 outing Wednesday against the Warriors.

"There are going to be ups and downs as he tries to get back in his rhythm," Hoiberg said. "What he did in those first two games in limited minutes shows you how talented he is and the amount of confidence he plays with."

Layups: **Cameron Payne** is participating in five-on-one and non-contact portions of practice. But Hoiberg said the oft-injured guard hasn't been cleared to "explode" off his surgically repaired right foot. ... **Nikola Mirotic** needs nine 3-pointers to tie **Steve Kerr** for fifth on the franchise list with 430. **Kirk Hinrich**, **Ben Gordon**, **Scottie Pippen** and **Michael Jordan** are the top four. ... The Bulls assigned **Cristiano Felicio** and **Paul Zipser** to the Windy City Bulls to play in G League games Friday and Saturday. They will be recalled after Saturday's game.

BLACKHAWKS**BLACKHAWKS NOTES**

Anisimov aims to play Monday

BY PAUL SKRBINA | Chicago Tribune

Artem Anisimov was the last of the Blackhawks to take the ice Friday, the center's first practice since he was put on injured reserve with an upper-body injury Dec. 29.

A half-hour later, Anisimov found himself pinned against the boards by **Erik Gustafsson** during a physical "battle" drill.

But Anisimov won't be on the ice Saturday night when the Hawks return from their five-day break to face the Islanders at the United Center. Coach **Joel Quenneville** said he hoped Anisimov could return Monday against the Lightning.

Anisimov, who has 13 goals (six game-winners) and five assists, has missed nine games. Earlier during practice he subbed in for **Patrick Sharp** and **Tommy Wingels** during rushes on the fourth line.

Anisimov said he was on the ice a couple of times during the team's break and that he felt 100 percent, though he admitted his conditioning has some catching up to do.

"I need to get in the flow (of) the practices and game stuff," he said. "It's tough, actually. I'm getting there."

Where Anisimov will fit in when he returns remains a question mark. He played mostly as the second-line center but could be moved down to the third or fourth line.

Either way, Anisimov said he's "happy" to be back. "I just want to get healthy and get ready to play," he said. "It doesn't matter what line."

First chance? Gustafsson played 41 games with the Hawks last season — and zero this season since he was recalled from Rockford on Jan. 9.

But that could change Saturday.

Gustafsson was paired with **Brent Seabrook** during Friday's practice.

"Good option, good opportunity," Quenneville said. "I look forward to seeing what he can do. Could play tomorrow."

ISLANDERS AT BLACKHAWKS

TV/radio: 7:30 p.m. Saturday; NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720.

Storylines: With 50 points, the Hawks are last in the Central and four points and three teams out of the second wild-card spot in the Western Conference after their off week. They play their next three at home.

Trending: Islanders goalie Jaroslav Halak has a 3.25 goals-against average, sixth-worst in the league.

'Q' expecting Crawford back

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Dec. 23, when he was pulled in the first period of a loss to the Devils after allowing three goals on seven shots. He is 16-9-2 with a .929 save percentage and a 2.27 goals-against average this season.

One report this week suggested Crawford had vertigo-like symptoms, a notion Blackhawks senior adviser and Hockey Hall of Famer Scotty Bowman, father of general manager Stan Bowman, dismissed.

Scotty Bowman said he didn't have direct knowledge of Crawford's injury but believed it was concussion-related.

The Blackhawks held firm on their stance of silence regarding Crawford's condition Friday after the team's scheduled midseason break.

"We're not talking about the injury," Quenneville said after Friday's practice in preparation for the Hawks returning to action Saturday night against the Islanders at the United Center. "Upper-body, but we don't discuss injuries. We expect him to be fine."

Quenneville said he has talked with Crawford since Sunday, when he said before his team's 4-0 loss that he hadn't been in communication with him.

Captain Jonathan Toews said Friday he has exchanged a "a few text messages here and there" with Crawford.

When pressed for details, Toews said: "That's not really my place to talk on any of those matters. We wish him the best in his recovery."

"If we would get him back, we know he's always going to be a great addition to our team."

Patrick Kane took the same line when asked about Crawford.

"We can't worry about who is hurt or who is out," Kane said. "Obviously we want 'Craw' back."

The situation the Hawks find themselves in now is last place in the Central Division with 50 points. Going into Friday, they were three points out of the second wild-card spot in the Western Conference with four teams ahead of them.

The Avalanche have won eight in a row and are 9-1 in their last 10.

"It's unbelievable how everyone picked up a lot of points over the last few days," Quenneville said.

"It changes quickly."

The Hawks lost all three games Crawford missed at the beginning of December with an upper-body injury but won five in a row upon his return. They are 5-4-1 since his latest injury but 6-8-4 overall when he doesn't start.

"That's out of our control," Kane said of Crawford's injury. "We're just trying to do what we can in here, come together as a group. Whoever's in here is in here. That's the group we have to play with."

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NY1 7:30 NBCSCH AM-720		TB 7:30 WGN-9 AM-720		TOR 7 NBCSCH AM-720	@DET 6:30 NBCSCH AM-720		

SATURDAY ON TV/RADIO

NBA

2:30 p.m. Thunder at Cavaliers ABC-7

4 p.m. Bulls at Hawks WGN-9, WLS-AM 890

7:30 p.m. Warriors at Rockets ABC-7

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

11 a.m. Purdue at Iowa ESPN

11 a.m. Ohio State at Minnesota BTN

11 a.m. Villanova at Connecticut CBS-2

11 a.m. Florida State at Virginia Tech ESPN2

11 a.m. Wichita State at Houston ESPNU

11 a.m. St. John's at Georgetown FSI

11:30 a.m. George Washington at VCU NBCSN

Noon Rhode Island at Dayton CBSSN

1 p.m. Penn State at Northwestern BTV, WGN-AM 720

1 p.m. Butler at DePaul FS1, WSCR-AM 670

1 p.m. Texas at West Virginia CBS-2

1 p.m. Georgia Tech at North Carolina ESPN

1 p.m. Oklahoma at Oklahoma State ESPNU

1 p.m. Texas Tech at Iowa State ESPNU

1 p.m. Lafayette at American NBCSCH+

1:30 p.m. Xavier at Seton Hall FOX-32

1:30 p.m. La Salle at Richmond NBCSN

2 p.m. Creighton at Providence CBSSN

3 p.m. Notre Dame at Clemson ESPN2, WMVP-AM 1000

3 p.m. Arizona at Stanford CBS-2

3 p.m. Missouri at Texas A&M ESPN

3 p.m. TCU at Kansas State ESPNU

3 p.m. East Carolina at Cincinnati ESPNNews

3 p.m. Missouri State at Drake NBCSCH

3:30 p.m. George Mason at Duquesne NBCSN

4 p.m. Pittsburgh at Duke WCIU-26

4 p.m. UNLV at Colorado State CBSSN

5 p.m. Baylor at Kansas ESPN

5 p.m. Tennessee at South Carolina ESPN2

5 p.m. Central Florida at South Florida ESPN

5 p.m. Tulane at SMU ESPNNews

6 p.m. San Diego State at New Mexico CBSSN

7 p.m. Memphis at Tulsa ESPN

7 p.m. Grand Canyon at UMKC NBCSCH+

7:15 p.m. Florida at Kentucky ESPN

9 p.m. Boise State at Nevada ESPNU

9:15 p.m. UCLA at Oregon ESPN

11 p.m. UC Irvine at UC Santa Barbara ESPNU

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

10 a.m. La Salle at Rhode Island CBSSN

3 p.m. Indiana at Michigan State BTV

5 p.m. Illinois at Michigan BTV

BOXING

8 p.m. Errol Spence Jr. vs. Lamont Peterson Showtime

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

2 p.m. East-West Shrine Game NFL Network

3 p.m. NFLPA Collegiate Bowl FS1

GOLF

Noon Latin America Amateur Championship ESPNNews

2 p.m. PGA CareerBuilder Challenge Golf Channel

6 p.m. Champions Mitsubishi Championship Golf Channel

12:30 a.m. Sun.Singapore Open Golf Channel

2:30 a.m. Sun.Abu Dhabi Championship Golf Channel

NHL

2 p.m. Jets at Flames NHLN

6 p.m. Bruins at Canadiens NHLN

7:30 p.m. Islanders at Blackhawks NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720

AHL

7 p.m. Condors at Wolves WPWR-50

COLLEGE HOCKEY

7 p.m. Minnesota vs. Michigan State BTV

MARTIAL ARTS

7 p.m. UFC 220 prelims FSI

MOTORSPORTS

9 p.m. AMA Supercross at Anaheim FSI

Premier League Soccer

6:25 a.m. Chelsea at Brighton & Hove NBCSN

8:55 a.m. Manchester United at Burnley NBCSN

9 a.m. Crystal Palace at Arsenal CNBC

11:30 a.m. Newcastle United at Manchester City NBC-5

BUNDESLIGA SOCCER

8:30 a.m. Bayer Leverkusen at Hoffenheim FSI

8:30 a.m. Leipzig at Freiburg FSI

11:20 a.m. Koln at Hamburg FSI

TENNIS

6 p.m. Australian Open Tennis (more, 8 p.m., ESPN2)

NFL

POSTSEASON GLANCE

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sunday's schedule

AFC: Jacksonville (12-6) at New England (10-8) 2:05 p.m. (CBS-2)

NFC: Minnesota (14-3) at Philadelphia (14-3), 5:40 (FOX-32)

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHUP: PASSING

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TENNIS

#16TH AUSTRALIAN OPEN

Melbourne Park; outdoors-hard

Saturday's results

#1 Rafael Nadal d.

#2 Grigor Dimitrov d.

#30 Andrej Rublev, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4

#4 Marin Cilic d.

#4 Ryan Harrison, 7-6, 6-3, 6-4

#10 Pablo Carreno-Busta d.

Gilles Muller, 7-6 (4), 6-7, 5-7, 5-7

GOLF

PGA CAREERBUILDER CHALLENGE

James Hahn 68s-66g Paul Casey 70-65

Peter Uihlein 70q-64g #17 Nick Kyrgios d.

#10 Jo-Wilfried Tsonga, 7-6 (5), 4-6, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (5)

#24 Diego Schwartzman d.

A. Dolgopolov, 6-7 (1), 6-2, 6-3, 6-3

K. Kudla, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3, 6-3

N. Basilashvili, 7-6 (0), 3-6, 4-6, 6-0, 7-5, 7-5

#6 Karolina Pliskova d.

Andrea Seppi d., Ivo Karlovic, 6-3, 7-4

(4), 6-7 (3), 6-7 (5), 9-7

#8 Caroline Garcia d.

Aliaksandra Sasnovich, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2

#17 Madison Keys d.

Ana Bogdan, 6-3, 6-4

#29 Lucie Safarova, 7-6 (6), 7-5

#8 Caroline Garcia d.

Aliaksandra Sasnovich, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2

#17 Madison Keys d.

Ana Bogdan, 6-3, 6-4

#29 Grigor Dimitrov d.

#30 Andrej Rublev, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4

#4 Marin Cilic d.

#4 Ryan Harrison, 7-6, 6-3, 6-4

#10 Pablo Carreno-Busta d.

Gilles Muller, 7-6 (4), 6-7, 5-7, 5-7

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Brad Davison, right, fouls the Illini's Mark Alstork during the first half of Wisconsin's win.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Illini fall behind early, drop to 0-7 in Big Ten

Associated Press

Ethan Happ scored 16 points, grabbed 10 rebounds and dished out five assists Friday night as Wisconsin broke out of an offensive to beat Illinois 75-50 in Madison, Wis.

Happ was one of four Badgers (10-10, 3-4 Big Ten) who scored in double figures, led by Brad Davison's 18.

The win snapped a streak of three straight conference losses in which the Badgers failed to score more than 60 points. But they cracked that mark with more than 11 minutes in the game, and their 43 points to open the contest was their best mark for a half in Big Ten play this season.

Illinois (10-10, 0-7) has lost seven straight Big Ten games to open conference play. For the first six, it was by an average of 3.5 points. But this one got away early. Down 24-18 with 8:37 left in the first half, Illinois watched the Badgers go on a 16-6 run over the next five minutes.

The Illini outrebounded the Badgers 31-29. But they were 1 of 14 from 3-point range and shot 40 percent overall.

No. 9 Michigan State 85, Indiana 57: Miles Bridges made a 3-pointer and bounced on his toes with joy, enjoying a game he and Michigan State desperately needed.

Bridges scored 22 points to help the ninth-ranked Spartans respond to adversity with a win over Indiana in East Lansing, Mich.

The Spartans (17-3, 5-2 Big Ten) had a confidence-boosting performance after going from a top-ranked team to a reeling one. They were slumping after a 16-point loss at Ohio State, an overtime win over Rutgers and an 82-72 setback to Michigan at home.

"I was just trying to prove that we weren't soft and that we can compete with any team," Bridges said.

The Hoosiers (11-8, 4-3) lost for the first time in four games.

Raisman lauds 'powerful army'

Gymnasts, from Page 1

"Through this terrible situation, the university has been perceived as tone deaf, unresponsive and insensitive to the victims. We understand the public's faith has been shaken. The board has listened and heard the victims," Chairman Brian Breslin said after a closed-door meeting that lasted more than four hours. Trustees declined to answer reporters' questions.

Nassar also was a team doctor at the Indianapolis-based USA Gymnastics, which trains Olympians.

Raisman said if just one adult had believed Nassar's accusers and had "the courage and character to act, this tragedy could have been avoided. I and so many others would have never, ever met you. Larry, you should have been locked up a long, long time ago."

Nassar pleaded guilty to molesting girls at his university office, at home and at a Lansing-area gymnastics club, sometimes in the presence of parents, who were shielded from seeing what he was doing. Already sentenced to 60 years in prison on a separate federal child pornography conviction, the 54-year-old man can expect to be behind bars for the rest of his life. Raisman hoped the testimonies of her fellow survivors will never leave him.

"All these brave women have power, and we will use our voices to make sure you get what you deserve — a life of suffering spent replaying the words delivered by this powerful army of survivors," Raisman said.

Nassar, who has often looked down or blankly at victims giving statements, broke down when longtime family friend Trinean Gonczar spoke.

"I don't know who you are now. Maybe I never knew. Maybe none of us did," she said, as Nassar took off his glasses and wiped away tears.

Earlier Friday, another member of the 2012 U.S. Olympic gymnastics team — known as the "Fierce Five" — said she refused to let Nassar's abuse ruin her dreams.

"Even though I'm a victim, I do not and will not live my life as one," Jordyn Wieber said. "I'm an Olympian despite being abused. I worked hard and managed to achieve my goal."

Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette, who is running for governor and whose office charged Nassar, said he would provide "a full and complete review, report and recommendation" of Michigan State's actions over Nassar, but only after

"All these brave women have power, and we will use our voices to make sure you get what you deserve."

— Olympian Aly Raisman to Larry Nassar

the ex-doctor's victims have had "their day in court."

The university fired Nassar in 2016, as allegations against him stretching back years came to light.

"After watching many of these heart-breaking statements and reading accounts about them, we have concluded that only a review by your office can resolve the questions in a way that the victims, their families, and the public will deem satisfactory and that will help all those affected by Nassar's horrible crimes to heal," the university's board said in a letter to Schuette requesting his help. Also Friday, state House Speaker Tom Leonard asked the leaders of two legislative committees to open inquiries into Michigan State, which could lead to budget implications for the university and broader policy changes statewide.

The criminal cases against Nassar followed reports last year in The Indianapolis Star about how USA Gymnastics mishandled complaints about sexual misconduct involving the doctor and coaches.

Many of the accusers have sued Michigan State, USA Gymnastics and the U.S. Olympic Committee.

The university board said as information is presented by the attorney general's office, the board "will act. This can never happen again. ... We continue to believe President Simon is the right leader for the university and she has our support." Women's gymnastics coach Kathie Klages resigned last year after she was suspended for defending Nassar for years. Another university doctor, Brooke Lemmen, resigned.

A Title IX probe conducted by the university cleared Nassar of sexual assault allegations in 2014. At least 12 reported assaults occurred after the investigation was concluded, according to a university police report that was provided to the FBI for review by the U.S. attorney.

"I have always done my best to lead MSU and I will continue to do so today and tomorrow," Simon said in a statement.

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Athanis, Helen

Helen Athanis, dear sister of Anne (the late William Chausis), Irene Athanis and the late Harry (the late Barbara) Peter (Katherine), Thomas (the late Violet), Mary (the late Peter) Anton and Peggy (Gus) Panigyrakis. Cherished aunt and great aunt of many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, donations to a charity of your choice would be appreciated. Family and friends will meet Saturday, Jan. 20th at St. Haralambos Greek Orthodox Church, 7373 N. Caldwell Ave., Niles for funeral service at 10:00am. Interment Maryhill Cemetery. Info 773-736-3833 or visit Helen's memorial at www.smith-corcoran.com.

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Funeral Homes

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Boxerman, Albert

Albert (Al) P. Boxerman died at home Thursday night at the age of 98. He was predeceased by his beloved wife of 70 years, Eleanor. Al grew up in Rock Island, Illinois, where he starred on the high school debate team, nurtured a lifelong interest in history, and supported his family by delivering newspapers during the Great Depression. He graduated from Augustana College in 1941 and served in the Army for three years during WWII. After the war, Al completed graduate studies at University of Chicago and embarked on a career as a therapist, working first with children in residential treatment centers and then in private practice with both children and adults. He was deeply devoted to his work and to Jewish causes, notably as a committed Zionist and an active member of Beth El synagogue for sixty years. A lifelong seeker of knowledge, Al was a passionate lover of poetry, chess, theater, and his dogs. Until his last weeks he was reciting long verses of poetry and offering commentary on world events. Al will be greatly missed by his four children and their spouses, Naomi and Ronnie, Susan and David, Deborah and Michael and Samuel and Debbie; nine grandchildren Ephraim, Yonina (Yosi), Ariel, Yoni (Yoni), Liviya, Daniel, Hannah, Josh and Aaron; and three sabra great-grandchildren Ori, Eilam and Amitai. Chapel service on Sunday, 12:15PM at Shalom Memorial Funeral Home, 1700 W Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment will follow at Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Library at Jewish Theological Seminary or American Friends of Magen David Adom. Information and condolences: 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com

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Memorial Funeral Home

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Braniff, Christine Marie

Christine Marie (Doderer) Braniff passed away after an 8 year battle with ovarian cancer on January 17, 2018 at the age of 60 years, surrounded by her loved ones. She was born on December 24, 1957 in Chicago, IL to Dr. Frank and Anna Doderer. On March 20, 1982, she married James T. Braniff, Jr.; together, they have two children. She is survived by her husband

of 35 years, Jim; son, Jimmy (Shannon), and daughter, Brianna (Brett) Volini; two grandchildren, Bode and Brayden. She is fondly remembered by her brother, Frank (Doreen) Doderer; and by her sisters, Fran (Tony) Aquila, Sandy (Buck) Remi, and Roberta (Joe) Romano. Christine contributed her artistic abilities as a Graphic Designer to Hoffman Estates Park District, Willow Creek Community Church and Awana Clubs International. Christine enjoyed relationships with God, family, and friends. Her interests included drawing, painting, sketching, design, photography, and dance. Anyone who knew her was inspired by her compassion, generosity and faith.

A Celebration of Christine's life will be held between 2pm-6pm, on Saturday, January 27, 2018, at Awana Clubs International Headquarters, 1 E. Bode Road, Streamwood, IL 60107. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory can be made at National Ovarian Cancer Coalition. Read Chris's story at caringbridge.org/visit/chrisbraniff

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Bringas, Quinn Michael

Quinn Michael Bringas, age 30. Loving son of Megan Quinn and Chris Bringas. Beloved stepson of Steven Ellis. Loving brother of Emily and Ryan. Beloved grandson of Jackie and Jim Quinn and Nes and Tom Bringas. Loving nephew to 18 aunts and uncles. Beloved cousin to 15. Died Jan 15th. Our hearts are broken. We will miss Quinn's smile, incredible zest for life, and, most important, his "Dashiness!" We love you so much Quinnie. Be at peace beloved.

Visitation at St. Gertrude Church 1420 W Granville, Chicago, Monday, 3 PM until Mass at 7 PM. Interment private. For more information contact Barr Funeral Home (773) 743-4034 or sign the guestbook at BarrFuneralHome.com.

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Gross, Alvin R.

Alvin R. Gross. Born in Chicago in 1927, Al was blessed and blessed others with a remarkably full 90 years. He wed Lois (Zuker), his best friend, and relished 67 wonderful years together. Al attended S. Shore HS, enlisted in the Navy and trained to be a pilot. He went to U of I. His passion was sales. He set about representing women's fashion lines. His success allowed him to build his own business while becoming VP of Jack Winter Sportswear. Al worked and played with gusto. He and Lois travelled to Mexico for 3 decades allowing them to revel in sunshine, beach, tennis, and culture. He had a speedboat and sports car, unafraid to test their limits. Most important to him was family. Born to Helen and Hyman Gross, Al and Lois raised 3 devoted kids: Penny (Stan Wynn), Pam (Jim Laukkanen), and Greg (Wendy), and loving grandchildren, Jamie Gross and Benjamin Laukkanen. Al is also survived by his beloved brother Corwin (Nancy), Al, Lois, and the family thank Lake Icaro for his devoted, loving care. Memorials can be made to The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research. Service Sun. January 21, 1PM at Chicago Jewish Funerals, 8851 Skokie Blvd., (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Rosehill. Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel 847.229.8822, www.cjfun.com

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Jaris, Marilyn L.

(nee Tucker) Beloved wife of Charles F; loving mother of Charles B (Nancy), Paula (Nick), Rachel; proud grandmother of Charles M, Sarah, Molly, Caroline, Nicholas, Lillian; long time college friend of Joan (Fred) Pacer; born in South Chicago (1930), attended St Kevin's elementary school, valedictorian at St Aquinas high school, graduated Magna Cum Laude from Mundelein college; taught in Catholic elementary and Chicago public schools, Harlan HS and Tilden HS; loved music, played organ, avid reader reading 1000s of books, favorite recreation was walking nature trails with her husband, traveling widely with her daughters; visitation 1 - 5pm Monday January 22; funeral services 1pm Tuesday January 23 2018 at Leak Funeral Home, Country Club Hills IL

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Joyce, Susan

Susan Joyce, 85, of Algonquin passed away peacefully on January 17th 2018. Loving mother of Deborah (Jeffrey) Giannini and Thomas Joyce; beloved daughter of the late Joseph and Amalia Paganucci; fond Grandmother of Nicolas and Alexandra Giannini; dear sister of the late Flemmie Scaturro, Julio Paganucci and Frank Paganucci; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Susan also leaves behind her beloved dogs Bindi, Kelly, Nitro, Amber and Capone. Her favorite pastime was gardening. Visitation will be held Sunday January 21 2018 from 3-8pm at Willow Funeral Home 1415 W. Algonquin Road, Algonquin IL (one mile East of Randall Road) Funeral will be Monday January 22, 2018 at the funeral home at 11:00am. Embalming to follow at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines IL.

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Kallas, James F.

James passed away peacefully January 17, 2018 in Barrington. He was a graduate of Chicago Teachers College where he was president of Beta Sigma Alpha. James taught in the Chicago Public Schools for 25 years as Assistant Professor of Industrial Arts. He developed the Automotive Program at Oakton Community College and graduated from UIC

Entrepreneurship program. James was Director of Redecorating at Miglan-Beittert, and was a member of Painters union 273, Auto Mechanics Local 701, and Rolls Royce Owners Club as the archivist. He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Loretta (nee Spitzer); children, Karen Ann Kallas, James Peter Kallas, and Timothy Harold (Angie) Kallas; grandchildren, Brady and Lydia, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Peter and Helen (Ganas) Kallas; and sisters, Marion Elliott, Betty Obey, and Dorothy Vames. Visitation will be 3-8pm Sunday, January 21 at Davenport Family Funeral Home, 149 W. Main St. (Lake-Cook Road), Barrington. Funeral service will be at 11am Monday, January 22, at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 1190 N. Hicks Road, Palatine. There will be visitation from 10am until the service at the church. Burial will follow at Sunset Ridge Memorial Park, Kenosha, WI. Memorial donations in Jim's name to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 1190 N. Hicks Road, Palatine, 60067, would be appreciated. Please visit www.davenportfamily.com to send condolences.

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Koch, Maureen Porth

Maureen Porth Koch, age 78, of Buffalo Grove. Beloved wife of Glenn R. Koch and the late Donald L. Porth III. Devoted mother of Donald L. (Michelle) Porth III, Timothy J. (Lori) Porth, and Susan (Matthew) Kurland. Cherished grandmother of Anna, Luke, Charles, Adam, and Erin Porth and Quinn, Riley, and Ella Kurland. Visitation Sunday Noon-5pm at Kolssak Funeral Home 189 S. Milwaukee Ave. Wheeling, IL. Funeral Prayers Monday 9:15am at the funeral home followed by a 10am Life Celebration Mass at St. Mary Catholic Church 10 N. Buffalo Grove Rd. Buffalo Grove, IL. Interment in St. Mary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to Misericordia at www.misericordia.com appreciated. For more information 847.537.6600 or www.funerals.pro

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Luck, Irene L.

Irene Lillian Luck, nee Kohler, 90, of Park Ridge, formerly of Glenview, passed away on January 15th. Dear wife of the late Frank W. Luck, beloved mother of Julie(David)Jensen, Jim(Lisa)Luck, Lori(Paul) Ellinger, devoted grandmother of Joe(Katlyn)Ellinger, Trygve Jensen, Elise(Mark)Holmes, Tait Jensen, Joseph Luck, Elizabeth Luck and doting aunt to many nieces and nephews. Irene served her community as a District 63 School Board Member and a District 64 teacher. Memorial service at 2 pm, Saturday, January 27th, at Messiah Lutheran Church, 1605 Vernon Ave., Park Ridge. Memorial gifts may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

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McIndoo, Lorna

Lorna McIndoo, 91, of Aurora, loving mother, died Jan. 17, 2018 at North Shore Highland Park Hospital. She was born Feb. 2, 1926 in Milwaukee, Wis to Armand and Hazel Weiss. She is survived by brother Thomas(Nina), sister, Marilyn(George), four children,

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Pastor, Lois Jean

Lois Jean Pastor (nee Garreau), 61, of Bartlett died January 18, 2018. Lois was the beloved wife of Robert Pastor for 40 years; loving mother Elyse (Todd) Lewis and Josh (Ashley) Pastor; proud grandmother of Cadence and Zura Pastor; cherished daughter of the late Lawrence and Florence Garreau; dear sister of Lorraine (Alan) Morgan and Jim (Judy) Garreau. Memorial visitation Sunday, January 21, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. at **Countryside Funeral Home and Crematory** 950 South Bartlett Road (at Stearns Road) Bartlett. Cremation was private at Countryside Crematory. In lieu of flowers donations to Wellness House of Hinsdale <http://wellnesshouse.org/> or Living Well Cancer Resource Center <https://livingwellcrc.org/> would be appreciated. For info (630)289-7575 or www.countrysidefuneralhomes.com



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Peifer, Rosalie

Rosalie Peifer, 90, of Elgin Loving daughter of the late Nicholas and Phyllis Scarpelli. Dear wife of the late William. Loving mother of Christopher. Sister of Joseph (Jean), Lucille, Frank (Lillian), Marian (Bill), Adolph (Jeanette), Raymond (Dorothy), Susan (Pat), and George. Aunt to many loving nieces and nephews. Rose was a long time resident of Oak Park and a proud graduate of Oak Park-River Forest High School. Visitation Sunday from 2 to 6:00 P.M. at **Yurs Funeral Home** 1771 W. State Street (Rte 38) Geneva. Funeral Services 11:00 A.M. Monday at the funeral home. Entombment will be at Queen of Heaven Cemetery Hillside.

To leave an online condolence or remembrance to the family, visit the funeral homes' obituary page at www.yursfuneralhomes.com. For more information, please call **Yurs Funeral Home** Geneva, 630-232-7337.

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Smith, Mae B.

Mae B. Smith, age 91, passed away peacefully on January 16, 2018. Loving mother of Gayle (late Harry) Lutz, Diana (John) Guido, Susan (John) Miller, Gary (Julie) Kampf, late Michael Kampf, late Ron Smith, Tammy (Jeff) Thome, and Paul (Tammy) Smith; Beloved grandmother and great-grandmother of many. Mae was preceded in death by her adored husband, Rufus Smith. Visitation will be from 2-7 PM on Sunday, 1/21, at Cypress Funeral Home, 1698 N Bloomingdale Rd, Glendale Heights, IL 60139. Funeral Service will be at 10 AM on Monday, 1/22, also at the Funeral Home. Interment Forest Hill Cemetery.

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Zito, Joseph "Joe"

Joseph "Joe" Zito Dearly Beloved Son of the late Sam and Zena Zito. Dear Brother of Rosanne (Late Michael) Taube and the Late Fred Zito. Visitation Sunday 3 until 8 P.M. at **CARBONARA FUNERAL HOME**, 1515 No. 25th Ave. Melrose Park. Funeral Monday 9 A.M. from the funeral home to Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Mass 10 A.M. Ent. Queen of Heaven Cem. Christ the King Mas. In Lieu of Flowers. Donations to American Society would be appreciated. Please visit Joe's memorial at carbonarafuneralhome.net or 708-343-6161.



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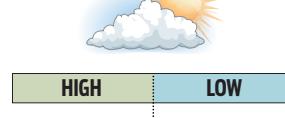
NORMAL LOW: 16°

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Mild temperatures, periods of rain all weekend

LOCAL FORECAST



HIGH 43

LOW 35

■ As low pressure develops in the Texas Panhandle, low-level southwesterly winds continue to bring milder, moist air into the Chicago area.

■ Some sun, but clouds gradually increasing. The blanket of snow continues to give way to 40-degree temperatures. High 40-45.

■ Clouds thicken and lower overnight with drizzle and patches of dense fog developing.

■ Southwest winds at 10-20 mph.

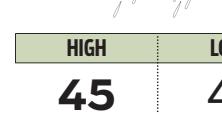
NATIONAL FORECAST



The next weather system to affect Chicago will bring mild temperatures and periods of rain. Saturday starts out on the sunny side, but clouds will be increasing as southerly winds carry moisture into the area. Temperatures in the 40s will spell an end to most of the remaining snow cover. An overcast sky with patchy drizzle is the rule Saturday night.

A low pressure storm system begins to organize in southeast Colorado on Saturday and intensifies in the Texas/Oklahoma panhandle region Sunday, then moves northeast to central Iowa on Monday. Mild and moist air, deeply covering areas to the southeast, east and northeast of the low pressure center, including the Chicago area, brings occasional rain, especially Sunday, to Chicago. Blizzard conditions are likely in a belt from southeast Colorado to south Minnesota.

SUNDAY, JAN. 21



HIGH 45

LOW 41

Considerable cloudiness, damp and mild with highs nearly 15 degrees above normal. Fog with occasional drizzle. Continued mild overnight with a steady rain likely over the area. SW winds.



MONDAY, JAN. 22



HIGH 45

LOW 41

Initially mild with rain, possibly an isolated t-storm. Cold in the afternoon with rain changing to wet snow before precipitation ends overnight. Winds out of the south shift west by evening.



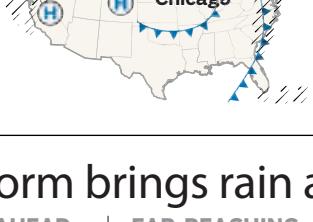
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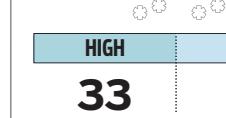
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LOW 28

Mostly cloudy, blustery and seasonably cold. Snow showers possible. Highs reach the lower 30s. NW winds at 15-30 mph make it feel much colder.



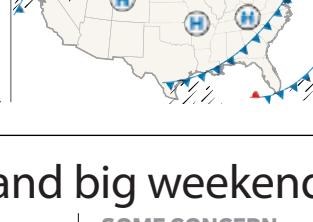
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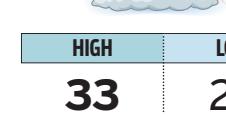
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LOW 21

A second day of seasonable temperatures with highs in the lower 30s. Partly sunny. Northwest winds diminish somewhat at 10-18 mph.



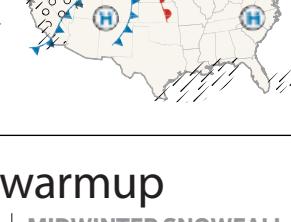
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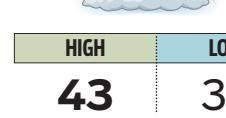
HIGH 33

LOW 23

Scattered mid- and high-level clouds but still plenty of sunshine. Warmer, with high 40-45. Some clouds with a chance of showers at night. South to southwest winds.



FRIDAY, JAN. 26



HIGH 43

LOW 32

Some sun early then increasing and thickening clouds. Mild with highs 45-50. Chance of rain overspreading the area from the west overnight. Southwest winds.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
Is there an easy way to figure out the wind-chill temperature?
— Stave MacFredrickson

Dear Stave,
A good approximation of the wind-chill temperature can be found by multiplying the wind speed by 0.7 and then subtracting that value from the air temperature. For example, if the air temperature is 20 degrees and the wind speed is 25 mph, use the formula $20 - (25 \times 0.7)$ to determine that the wind-chill temperature is 2.5 degrees.

The actual wind-chill temperature calculated from National Weather Service tables is 3 degrees. The wind-chill temperature assumes a human face at a height of 5 feet above the ground on a clear night.

Wind speed magnifies the effect of cold temperatures. Cold air blown by wind increases the rate of convective heat loss from human skin much more rapidly than calm air.

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Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.

Major winter storm brings rain and big weekend warmup

FAR DIFFERENT WEEKEND AHEAD

Temperatures to average more than 26 degrees warmer than a week ago

LAST WEEKEND

12.00

(Based on high and low temps)

THIS WEEKEND

38.30

(Forecast)

While mild weather dominates this weekend, it couldn't have been more different on this date 33 years ago

Chicago's bone-chilling cold Jan. 20, 1985 established a new low-temp benchmark for the city

TEMPERATURE WINDS (SUSTAINED) WIND CHILL*

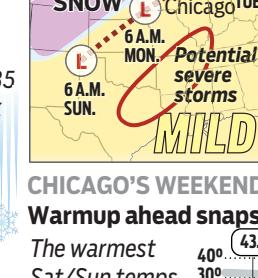
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*The wind chill calculation was modified back in 2001 but this combination would still yield a numbing wind chill of -61 degrees.

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

FAR-REACHING STORM SYSTEM SATURDAY/SUNDAY

Storm tracks keeps Chicago in mild/rain side of low pressure



CHICAGO'S WEEKEND TEMPERATURES SINCE DEC. 2-3 (SAT./SUN.)

Warmup ahead snaps string of four consecutive below-normal weekends

The warmest Sat./Sun temps since early December ahead of 0°

40° 30° 20° 10° 0°

43.5° 30.9° 29.3° 26.0° 23.0°

FORECAST: AVERAGE 38.3°

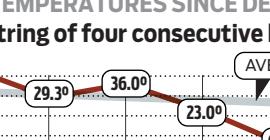
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SOME CONCERN OVER FLOODING

Weekend thaw could cause ice backups or jams on rivers/streams

■ Soil temps still at freezing will cause runoff of snowmelt and additional rains

● 6 P.M. SUNDAY-6 P.M. MON. RAINFALL FORECAST



MIDWINTER SNOWFALL

Seasonal snowfall for Chicago as running below-normal as of Jan. 18

SNOWFALL/DEPARTURE FROM NORMAL

Buffalo 57.9" +6.1"

Detroit 28.3" +9.7"

Cleveland 26.1" +3.3"

Boston 24.6" +6.6"

New York City 17.9" +8.9"

Green Bay 17.3" -7.4"

Bismarck, N.D. 13.0" -13.1"

Minneapolis 12.9" -16.1"

Philadelphia 12.9" +5.9"

Chicago 9.2" -6.5"

CHICAGO DIGEST

FRIDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	39	23	Midway	39	28
Gary	39	27	O'Hare	40	28
Kankakee	36	20	Romeoville	38	25
Lakefront	39	28	Valparaiso	36	23
Lansing	40	28	Waukegan	41	26

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2018	NORMAL
Fri. (through 6 p.m.)	0.00"	0.05"
January to date	0.63"	1.12"
Year to date	0.63"	1.12"

CHICAGO SNOWFALL

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Fri. (through 6 p.m.)	0.0"	0.0"
Season to date	9.2"	10.4"
Normal to date	16.0"	17.1"

SOURCE: Frank Wachowski

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

SATURDAY	SW 10-22 kts.	SE 4-12 kts.
Wind	1-2 feet	1 foot

Fri. shore/crib water temps 33°/33°

U.S. SNOW COVER

JAN. 19	2018	2017
Area covered by snow	46.6%	38.9%

Average snow depth 3.1" 5.7"

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No Bones about it: He's still a caddie

But Mackay's golf connection now is as a TV analyst

BY DOUG FERGUSON

Associated Press

HONOLULU — All it took was one week back on the bag to remind Jim "Bones" Mackay what he always loved about being a caddie.

If just wasn't enough for this to be the ultimate mic drop.

Mackay traded in his TV microphone at the Sony Open for the 40-pound bag belonging to Justin Thomas. It was his first time caddying since he split with Phil Mickelson six months ago. Mackay was only a temporary replacement at Waialae for Jimmy Johnson, a good friend and Thomas' regular caddie who has a nasty case of plantar fasciitis that will keep him in a walking boot for the next month.

"The toughest thing about not cadding is missing the competition, not having a dog in the fight," Mackay said before the final round. "There's nothing more rewarding as a caddie, in general terms, (than) when you say, 'I don't like 6-iron; I like 7,' and being right. I miss that part of it."

The reward now?

"Not stumbling over my words," he said. "And being better than I was the previous week."

Mackay has done remarkably well since he started his new job at the British Open last summer, except for that time he momentarily forgot his role. Parts of that famous caddie adage — "Show up, keep up, shut up" — apparently can apply to golf analysts on the ground.

During the early hours of the telecast, before Johnny Miller came on, Justin Leonard was in the booth.

"It's my job to report on what I see," Mackay said. "It's not my job to ask questions. I forgot that for a minute."

Leonard was part of a booth discussion on how a comfortable pairing can help players trying to win a major. That prompted Mackay to ask Leonard if he found it helpful at the 1997 British Open when he was trying to win his first major to be paired with Fred Couples in the final round at Royal Troon.

"What I didn't know is we were going to commercial in six seconds," Mackay said. "I would have no way of knowing that, but I completely hung Justin out to dry. He's now got four seconds to answer my long-winded question."

During the commercial break, the next voice Mackay heard belonged to Tommy Roy, the executive golf producer at NBC.



SAM GREENWOOD/GETTY

Caddie-turned-TV analyst Jim "Bones" Mackay briefly returned to his former vocation at the Sony Open as a fill-in for Justin Thomas' regular caddie.

"Bones, don't ever do that again."

It was Roy who recognized the value experienced caddies could bring to a telecast. That's why he invited Mackay and John Wood, the caddie for Matt Kuchar, into the control room at the 2015 Houston Open so they could see how it all worked and how uncomfortable it can be to hear directions coming through an earpiece.

Both worked as on-course reporters at Sea Island that fall. And when Mickelson and Mackay parted ways after 25 years, Roy scooped up the longtime caddie for TV.

It's common for players to move into broadcasting. Far more unusual is for a caddie to be part of the mix.

Mackay loves his new job. Mostly, he loves how it has helped elevate his profession after so many years of caddies being looked upon more unfavorably than they are now.

"I want to be a caddie that's doing TV," he said. "That's what I hope to come across as. The guys think this is good for caddies. And if it's good for caddies, that makes me happy because I'm a caddie. I'll always be a caddie."

Not next week at Torrey Pines, where Mickelson

won three times. Not a week later in Phoenix, where Mackay lives. Both events belong to CBS.

And not the Masters. He hasn't missed one since 1994, when Mickelson broke his leg skiing that winter.

"That killed me," Mackay said, "but not nearly as much as it's going to kill me this year. I'll wake up on Thursday of the Masters and I'll be really grumpy. It will be, within reason, the hardest day of my life."

There are too many memories, dating to when Mackay was in the gallery right of the 11th green in 1987 to see Larry Mize chip

in to beat Greg Norman. He caddied for Mize for two years, Scott Simpson in 1992 and Mickelson the rest of the way. Mackay was on the bag for Lefty's three green jackets.

Mackay still doesn't talk much about what led them to part ways, except to say that a player-caddie relationship runs its course.

"If you lose that positive dynamic, there's no point in continuing," he said. "It can be gone in six months or a year or five years. In our case, it took 25 years."

Mackay says a dozen or so players called when the pair split up, but the most intriguing call was from Roy

at NBC.

"I thought I'd caddie until I dropped," Mackay said.

He never imagined getting yardages and lining up putts for anyone except the golfer whose bag he was carrying; now it's for an audience that measures in the millions.

But Mackay doesn't look at it as a second career. And he won't rule out caddying again.

"It will always be tempting," he said. "I'll always consider myself a caddie. Right now, I'm very lucky and grateful to have the job I do."

Except for that first week in April.

GOLF NOTES

Ryan Palmer happy to have frustrating, scary year behind him

BY DOUG FERGUSON

Associated Press

HONOLULU — Ryan Palmer couldn't wait for 2018 to arrive.

It began with an up-and-down week at the Sony Open — a 64 sandwiched between a pair of 71s, and a tie for 58th — though his mood was decidedly steadier. Palmer was in good spirits when he arrived and nothing on the scorecard was going to change that.

It's nice to have last year behind him.

He had surgery on his shoulder in October, and that's now healed. A new home being built on seven acres in the Dallas area is almost finished. Above all that, his wife, Jennifer, is getting nothing but favorable scans in her recovery from breast cancer.

"I couldn't have been any more calm when I got here Monday — on the range, practice rounds, the pro-am, everything," Palmer said.

A year ago when he arrived on Oahu, his wife was still undergoing chemotherapy for the cancer. Palmer missed four straight cuts to start the year and didn't crack the top 35 until April. He had only three top-10 finishes, one of them the team event with Jordan Spieth at the Zurich Classic.

"It seemed like a blur," Palmer said. "Usually you can go back and look at tournaments and see what you did. It was mostly bad stuff, but I don't remember one thing about it."

"The time Jordan and I had was awesome. I know I had a good week in Reno (with a tie for ninth)."

One day Palmer does recall clearly is when Jennifer had her last round of chemotherapy, which was followed by 35 radiation treatments.

"Each time she goes back to get checked the scan is good," he said.

Palmer is on a minor medical extension and has five tournaments remaining

to earn 24 FedEx Cup points, the least of his worries.

He hadn't played since August, when he failed to qualify for the FedEx Cup playoffs. He knew he needed arthroscopic surgery to clean up a bone spur in his shoulder but thought about playing a few events when the new season began in October.

Instead, Palmer took off the entire fall and spent time going to 10-year-old son Mason's hockey games. It also allowed him to recover in time to go to Hawaii. He plans to play next three events in the California desert, Phoenix and San Diego before taking the following two weeks off to move into his house.

"This year couldn't be any better right now," Palmer said.

Broadcast review: One of the local rules adopted at the start of the new year involved video review. Players no longer are penalized

two shots if they sign an incorrect scorecard that they thought was correct at the time, which stems from violations discovered after the round.

The major golf organizations also agreed to assign one or more officials to monitor the broadcast to help identify and resolve any issues that arise.

"We'll have someone, whether that person is a rules official coming in from the golf course or someone back in the office, watching the broadcast and communicating," PGA Tour Commissioner Jay Monahan said.

Still to be determined is who that person will be.

Rules officials don't think the staff is big enough to take an official off the course. If it's a PGA Tour official, the question becomes how adept the official is at spotting a violation. And while such video reviews get plenty of attention, they don't happen often enough to warrant

someone sitting in front of a TV for three hours.

There has been video monitoring for years. When the final group makes the turn and fewer players are on the course, the tour will send one official in to watch TV.

That's what saved Zach Johnson at the Colonial in 2012.

He moved his marker on the 18th green for Jason Dufner, and then holed a 5-foot putt for what looked to be a three-shot victory. But Johnson forgot to move his marker back and was penalized two shots.

If a rules official had not been monitoring the telecast and someone else had noticed it after Johnson had signed his card, Johnson would have been disqualified.

Defining confidence: Fifteen months ago, Justin Thomas had one PGA Tour victory and was No. 35 in the world. Now he's the reigning PGA Tour player of

the year, FedEx Cup champion and a major champion and has seven victories.

That his confidence has soared is obvious. What exactly does that mean?

"I don't have the sense of panic," Thomas said. "I know that I don't need to be what I thought I had to be to be in contention."

"I know that I don't have to go out and play this perfect round. I know if I shoot 1 under the first round at this tournament I still have a chance to win. I know I'm not going to win every tournament. It's more of the whole body-language and patience thing."

Thomas' own examples would have been the TPC Boston last year during the FedEx Cup playoffs and the CJ Cup in South Korea, when he was exhausted from a busy fall and squeaked out a playoff victory.

"That to me is more confidence-building and reassuring than anything else," he said.

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How Budge cemented place in tennis history

American achieved sport's 1st Grand Slam 80 years ago

By MICHAEL K. BOHN
Tribune News Service

Don Budge, a lanky Californian, called time in the first game of an early-round match in the Australian national tennis championship. To the astonishment of 5,000 spectators in mid-January 1938, he started to escort his young and nervous Australian opponent, Everod Ballieu, off the grass court in Adelaide.

"What's the big idea?" Ballieu whispered haltingly, according to the Los Angeles Times.

"Don't look now," Budge said, "but your fly is open."

After the youngster ducked under the stands and finished dressing, he returned to face Budge, the reigning British and United States national singles champion. As expected, Budge, 22, the world's No. 1-ranked amateur player, further buttoned up the young man, as well as those who followed, on his way to winning the Australian title on Jan. 29, 1938 — some 80 years ago this month.

That victory was the first step in his goal to win all four major tennis championships that year. He had hatched that plan the previous fall while reading a tennis record book on the front porch of his parents' home in Oakland, Calif.

Budge discovered that no one had ever won the four big national singles titles in the same year — Australian, French, British and American. Why not be the first, he asked himself. He told no one of his goal except Gene Mako, his doubles partner, and that disclosure later led to the greatest irony during Budge's Grand Slam.

Starts with a dare

Growing up in Oakland as a teenager in the 1920s, the freckled redhead excelled at multiple sports, especially in baseball as a right-handed player who hit left-handed. His older brother, Lloyd, hit balls with him on a tennis court, but the game didn't appeal much to Don. That is, until Lloyd dared him to enter the 1930 California state boys tennis championship.

After a week of intense practice, Budge won the first tournament he had ever entered. That auspicious beginning soon led to his nearly unparalleled dominance of amateur tennis in the late 1930s.

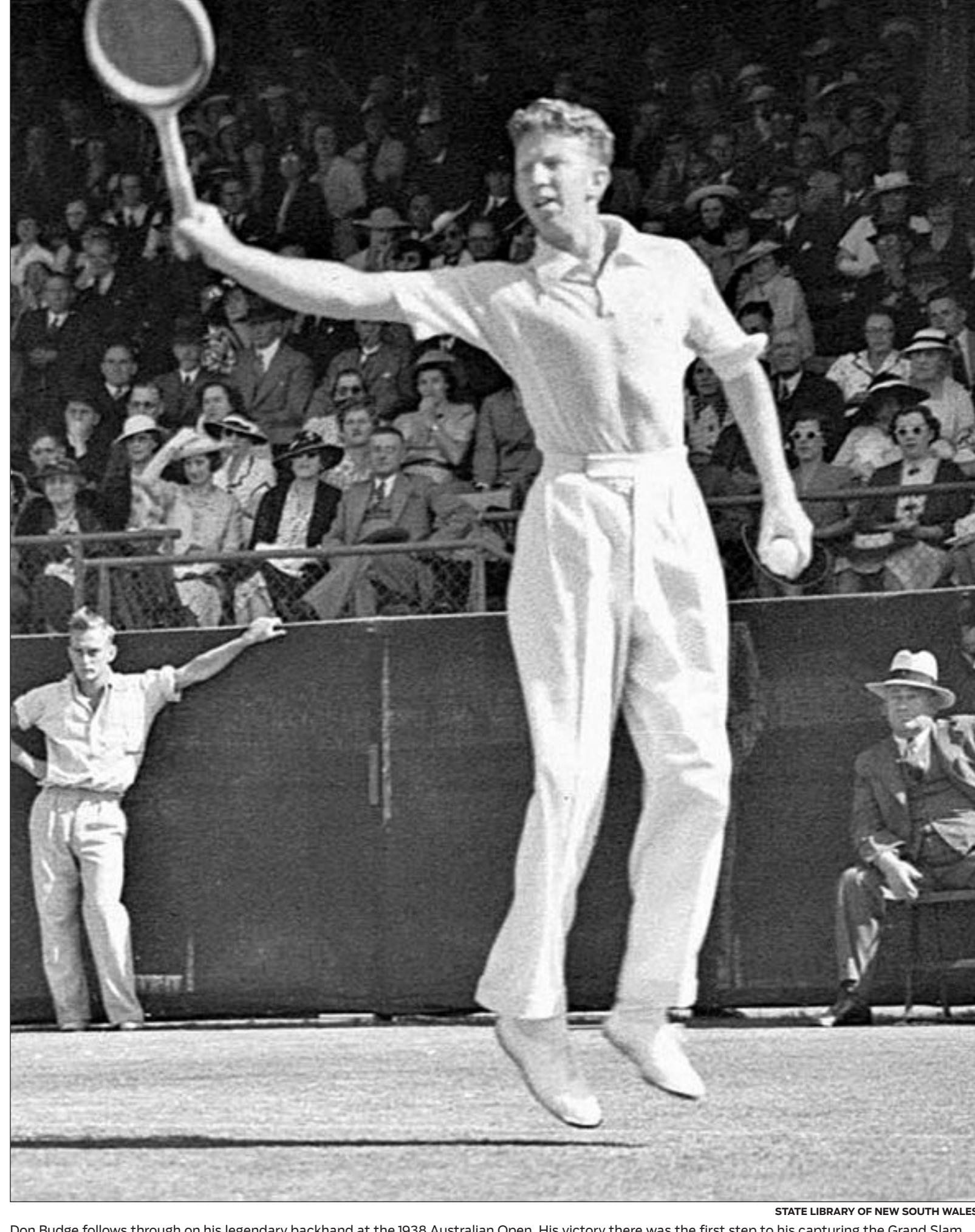
After a teenage growth spurt, Budge was soon a gawky 6-foot-1, 160 pounds, with an angular face and a prominent nose. In 1933, Don won his first national championship, the U.S. Junior. The next year he lost in the finals of the U.S. National Clay Court Championship. That led to an invitation to join the U.S. Davis Cup team in 1935.

The American team traveled to Europe to play Germany in an interzone contest in the worldwide competition. Before the German match, however, the American players entered the British national championship at the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club in Wimbledon, England. Budge surprised many by making it to the singles semifinals, where he lost to Germany's Baron Gottfried von Cramm, the scion of two titled families.

After Wimbledon concluded, the All England hosted, as a neutral site, the U.S.-Germany Davis Cup match. Budge won his two singles matches, one of which was against von Cramm. America beat Germany but then lost 5-0 to defending Davis Cup champion Britain in the Davis Cup's championship match.

In 1936, Budge, then 21, continued to impress despite losing to Englishman Fred Perry in the Wimbledon semifinals and again in the final of the U.S. Nationals at Forest Hills, N.Y.

The next year was his



Don Budge follows through on his legendary backhand at the 1938 Australian Open. His victory there was the first step to his capturing the Grand Slam.

breakout year, winning the singles, doubles and mixed doubles — the "triple crown" — at Wimbledon and the singles and mixed at Forest Hills. Additionally, Budge led the charge as the Americans beat Britain to win the Davis Cup for the first time since 1926.

Along the way, during another interzone match with Germany, Budge beat von Cramm in the decisive match 6-8, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2, 8-6. It was widely considered the finest Davis Cup match ever played to that point in modern tennis history.

Budge ended 1937 as the No. 1-ranked amateur in the world. Also, he won the Sullivan Award given to the best American amateur athlete, marking the first and only time a tennis player has gained that accolade.

"Budge was a court artisan without flaw," tennis author Will Grimsley wrote in 1971. "A serve like a cannon shot ... a powerful forehand ... covered the court with grace and ease ... his temper was smooth ... remarkable concentration. But it was the Budge backhand that was his deadliest weapon."

He started the swing with a two-fisted grip, as he had used hitting left-handed in baseball, released his left hand as the racket met the ball and followed through with his right. In Budge's 2000 obituary, the Washington Post noted his "whiplash backhand, which still is considered the best ever."

Australia

The first step in Budge's goal to win all four major national tennis championships in 1938 was onto the gangplank of a steamship at the start of a

three-week journey from San Francisco to Australia in the fall of 1937.

Upon arrival Down Under, Budge played a number of exhibition matches, often losing because Budge treated them as practice sessions by working on specific strokes. But in the Victorian Singles Championship in December he played serious tennis and won the title in straight sets over a young Aussie, John Bromwich.

As the No. 1 seed in the Australian national singles,

Budge swept through the early rounds. In the quarterfinals, he joined his doubles partner, Gene Mako, von Cramm, Bromwich and others. The young Aussie beat von Cramm in the semis, and Budge beat Australian Adrian Quist to face Bromwich in the final.

Budge raced to a 4-0 lead in the first set, but Bromwich battled back to 4-5. The Californian used his powerful serve to win the set 6-4. An Associated Press reporter at courtside wrote afterward,

"Bromwich appeared worried and listless and no longer was able to get his shots under control."

Budge quickly won the next two sets 6-2, 6-1 and, after only 47 minutes of tennis in the title match, won the Australian title. Budge and Mako also won the doubles.

After returning to the U.S., Budge practiced on an auxiliary clay court at Forest Hills in preparation for the French nationals. One afternoon he told the press of his plan to win all four major tennis singles titles that year. In reporting this, the New York Times referred to four such wins as a "Grand Slam."

The term had initially

showed up in the Times' tennis reporting in September 1933 when Australian Jack Crawford arrived at Forest Hills after having won the Australian, French and Wimbledon titles. Two Times writers speculated on Crawford's chances of winning what they called the Grand Slam.

Three years earlier, the phrase, which was drawn, so to speak, from the card game bridge, entered the non-baseball sports lexicon during amateur Bobby Jones' 1930 sweep of golf's four major tournaments in which he could play — British and U.S. Amateur and Open championships.

France

On the crushed-brick clay courts at Stade Roland Garros in Paris, Budge sailed through to the quarterfinals, in which he beat Frenchman Bernard Destremau in straight sets.

In the semis, he dispatched Josip Palada, a Yugoslav Croatian, 6-2, 6-2, 6-3. In the stands for all of Budge's matches was renowned leftist Pablo Casals.

Czech Roderich Menzel was the next European to challenge the American star, and Budge won the final match's first two sets easily. But in the opening game of the third set, Menzel served four aces to win easily. The Czech held on to reach 4-4, but, according to an AP reporter, "Budge stormed the net and put over a series of winners that left Menzel helpless."

Budge won the last set 6-4 — and the championship. Afterward, the AP reporter described the highlight of the June 11 final: "Menzel did not belong on the same court with Budge today."

Afterward, according to Budge's memoir, Casals dedicated a private recital to the winner, whom he described as "my good friend Don Budge."

At this point, counting Budge's wins the previous year at Wimbledon and Forest Hills, he became the first player to hold all four major titles simultaneously — a "non-calendar Slam."

Britain

Less than two weeks after his French victory, Budge began the defense of his British national singles title. Budge easily won his first four matches, each in straight sets. His opponents in the quarters, Frantisek Cejnar of Czechoslovakia and Yugoslav Croatian Franjo Punec, met similar fates in the semis.

In the final, Budge faced Britain's Bunny Austin, and the two were a distinctly contrasting pair on the grass court. The slight, 132-pound Austin was physically outmatched by the lanky Budge, plus they dressed differently. Budge favored, along with virtually every male tennis amateur of the time, long white pants, while Austin wore tennis shorts, a stylish variation he introduced to tennis at Forest Hills in 1933 and Wimbledon the following year.

The long and the short of the match, however, was that Budge won 6-1, 6-0, 6-3. Budge completed his triple crown at Wimbledon by winning the doubles with Mako and the mixed doubles with Alice Marble.

"Donald was unstoppable that afternoon," Austin said years later, according to The Guardian.

"He was a true great. It was an honor just to be on the same court."

United States

Three Americans — Budge, unseeded Mako and Sidney Wood — plus Bromwich had just reached the men's singles semifinals when the Great New England hurricane of 1938 slammed into the Northeast, killing nearly 7,000 people.

After a six-day delay in competition, the Budge-Mako doubles team individually played their way into the singles finals. With his buddy standing in the way of Budge's Grand Slam, reporters' tongues wagged about a possible Mako tank job. In his 1969 memoir, Budge denied such a possibility.

"Gene was as likely to roll over and play dead for me as peace was to come in our time," he said.

Budge won in four sets and later denied giving Mako the second set, saying that such a move would have been "like a condescending pat on the head."

Budge's Grand Slam was remarkable, but so was the total elapsed time he needed to win all four of the Slam's final matches — just over four hours.

Budge turned pro in 1939 and toured the country and internationally playing exhibition matches and professional tournaments. During that year he reportedly earned \$148,000, considerably more than the \$35,000 salaries of the two highest-paid major-league baseball players, Lou Gehrig and Hank Greenberg.

Only one other male player has won the tennis Grand Slam in the same calendar year besides Budge. Australian Rod Laver swept the titles in 1962 as an amateur, and, in 1969, as a pro in the open era.

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PREVIEW 2019 Hyundai Veloster

By Aaron Bragman, Cars.com

Hyundai has pulled the tarp off of its new-for-2019 Veloster sports coupe, revealing some styling updates and a refreshed interior while preserving the oddball two-plus-one door format that has made it unique in the market. Appearing at the 2018 North American International Auto Show in Detroit, the Veloster will be shown in both its variants — a naturally aspirated model and a sportier turbocharged version.

Exterior

Outside, the Veloster gets some updated styling, with a rather extensive rework of its body panels but keeping its overall look similar to the outgoing model. It still retains the unusual two-plus-one door layout, with one large door on the driver's side like a coupe and two smaller doors on the passenger side like a sedan, meant to allow a third or fourth passenger to easily get in and out of the backseat without disturbing the driver as it would in a two-door coupe.

The A-pillar is moved rearward for a longer look to the hood, and the roofline is lower. Headlights have been revised with optional LED units, while the wheels are standard 18-inch units.

The back end is completely revised, with a new shape to the roofline, hatchback and now-standard LED taillights. A new rear diffuser has been fitted, and the hatchback's door handle has been relocated for ease of use. An optional blacked-out roof treatment is also available, while the center exhaust design is retained from the outgoing model — one outlet for the standard powertrain, two for turbocharged models. Overall dimensions for the car have grown slightly.

Interior

The Veloster's unique asymmetrical design carries over into the interior, which is now more motorcycle-inspired in its design and driver-focused orientation of gauges and controls. Hyundai has tied the interior colors, trims and materials to the various Veloster trim levels it plans to offer. A new wide moonroof will be available, as is Qi wireless charging and a disappearing head-up display that folds down into the dash when not in use or powered off.

The multimedia system is where Hyundai spent a lot more attention. The Veloster comes with a standard 7-inch touchscreen and an optional 8-inch model, with or without navigation. Apple CarPlay and Android Auto are available on the optional premium system, as is satellite

Competes with: Volkswagen Golf GTI, Honda Civic coupe, Hyundai Elantra GT

Looks like: A more aggressive take on the old Veloster

Drivetrain: 147-horsepower, 2.0-liter four-cylinder or optional 201-hp, turbocharged 1.6-liter four-cylinder; six-speed manual, six-speed automatic or seven-speed dual-clutch automatic transmissions; front-wheel drive

Hits dealerships: Spring 2018

radio and Hyundai's Blue Link concierge system.

The premium audio option (standard on Turbo models) is an Infinity system with eight speakers, including a subwoofer. Blue Link includes such features as remote start, smartphone integration and control, Amazon Alexa, Google Assistant, and even integration with Android Wear and Apple Watch apps.

Under the Hood

Powering the new '19 Veloster is the standard 2.0-liter four-cylinder "Nu" engine out of the Elantra. It's good for 147 horsepower and 132 pounds-feet of torque, and it's mated to either a six-speed manual or six-speed automatic transmission driving the front wheels.

The Turbo models (R-Spec, Turbo and Turbo Ultimate) receive a turbocharged 1.6-liter four-cylinder "Gamma" engine with direct injection, making a healthier 201 hp and 195 pounds-feet of torque on regular unleaded gasoline. Under full acceleration, the motor goes into an "overboost" function that boosts torque to 202 pounds-feet, briefly; that motor gets either a six-speed manual or seven-speed dual-clutch automatic transmission. The Turbo also receives a special sound-enhancement package to create a more visceral, sporty audio soundtrack through the vehicle's audio system.

All Velosters get standard Torque

Vectoring Control, an electronic system that employs the traction control to provide a kind of electronic limited-slip differential without the mechanical portion. All models also get a drive mode selector with three available drive modes: Normal, Sport and Smart.

All Velosters get electric power steering, but Turbo models get a quicker steering ratio and McPherson strut front suspension, with a 24-millimeter front stabilizer bar. Rear suspension for the Turbo is an independent multilink design with a 19-millimeter stabilizer bar. Turbos also get 18-inch alloy wheels with Michelin Pilot Sport 4 summer tires when ordered with the manual transmission.

2018 BMW X2: What would you pay?

The 2018 North American International Auto Show in Detroit marks our first chance to get an in-person look at BMW's newest small SUV creation, the 2018 X2. The X2 follows its even-numbered stablemates in keeping the low, sleek roofline that makes it more of a mashup of an SUV and a wagon than a true utility vehicle.

BMW also released pricing and feature information for the X2. The X2 sDrive will start at \$37,395 (all prices include destination charges), while the X2 xDrive with all-wheel drive starts at \$39,395. These prices put the X2 pretty much smack dab in the middle between the existing X1 (\$34,895) and X3 (\$43,645).

Standard features include 18-inch alloy wheels, a power liftgate, leatherette upholstery and automatic climate control. As mentioned in our preview of the X2, there will only be one powertrain option (in the U.S., at least) at launch: a 228-horsepower, turbocharged 2.0-liter four-cylinder mated to an eight-speed automatic transmission.

The options list is expansive, with some features divided into packages for easier ordering. Bumping up to several different shades of real leather will run you \$1,450, while the metallic paint colors cost \$550. The Convenience Package adds auto dimming mirrors, a panoramic moonroof and satellite radio (with a one-year subscription) for \$2,350. For added



safety, the Driving Assistance Package (\$700) includes automatic high beams, lane departure warning and — perhaps most importantly — forward collision warning with auto emergency braking. BMW also offers adaptive cruise control as a stand-alone option for \$1,000.

Rounding things out are the Dynamic Handling Package (\$600), which includes adaptive shock absorbers, and a Premium Package (\$2,600), which spruces up the interior with heated front seats, a heated steering wheel, a head-up display and navigation. BMW will also offer an M SportX Package (\$4,650), as the automaker does on most of its vehicles, which contains a mix of visual and performance enhancements.

Stand-alone options include Apple CarPlay (\$300), a panoramic moonroof (\$1,350), a wireless charging pad (\$500) and parking sensors (\$800).

The 2018 X2 xDrive will arrive at dealerships March 3, with sDrive versions to follow at a later date.

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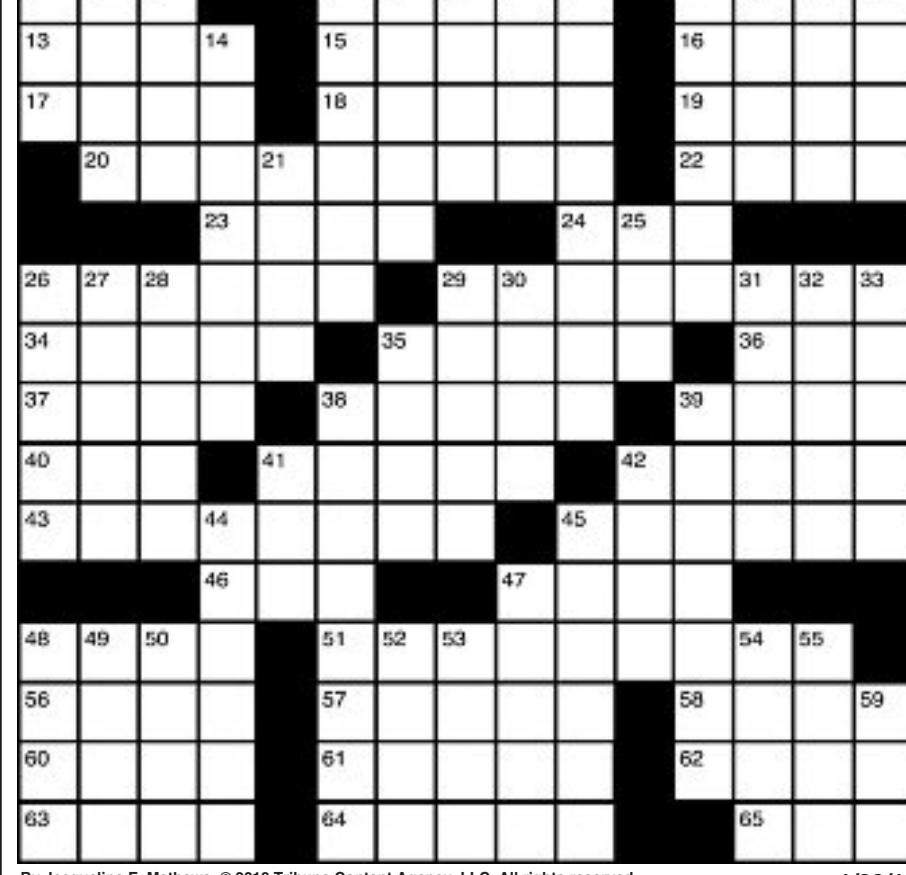
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| 9 Feeling put out | 56 Smell |
| 13 Cookware | 57 Part of USNA |
| 15 Three months from now | 58 Beatles' "All You ___ Is Love" |
| 16 "So be it!" | 60 Hourglass contents |
| 17 Small rodents | 61 Representative |
| 18 Passed out cards | 62 Actor Richard |
| 19 Pencil's core | 63 Peepers |
| 20 Cellphone's shape | 64 Too tall & thin |
| 22 No ifs, ___ or buts | 65 Nixon's initials |
| 23 Eyeglass lens borders | 47 Mountaintop |
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| 29 Football field | 56 Smell |
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- 7" TFT Color Display Cluster
- Keyless Go Push Button Start
- Leather-Wrapped Heated Steering Wheel
- Remote Start System

\$4,500 COMBINED CASH
+ \$750 JEEP OWNER LOYALTY CASH
\$5,250 TOTAL CASH

2017 JEEP WRANGLER UNLIMITED

- 4x4 of the Decade by Four Wheeler Magazine
- Iconic Jeep Styling
- Up to 3,500 lbs of Towing Capability
- 3.6L Pentastar® V6 Engine with 285 hp and 260 lb-ft of Torque
- Command-Trac® 4WD

\$259 / MO
36 MO LEASE
\$2,999 DUE AT SIGNING



**\$1,000 JEEP OWNER LOYALTY ON SELECT 2018 JEEPS
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