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Jeanne Ives' campaign said the ad represents the implications of Gov. Bruce Rauner's policies.

## Ives ad ripped: 'Racist, sexist'

Abortion, transgender, immigration rights groups condemn spot

BY RICK PEARSON AND KIM GEIGER  
Chicago Tribune

Republican primary challenger Jeanne Ives is mounting a full-bore attack on Gov. Bruce Rauner's conservative credentials, launching a TV ad featuring an actor portraying a transgender woman thanking the governor for signing a law expanding trans rights.

The "Thank you, Bruce Rauner" ad, scheduled to start airing Saturday, also depicts a young woman wearing a pink protest hat thanking the governor for making Illinois families "pay for my abortions." And it has a hoodie-wearing man with his face partially hidden by a bandanna thanking Rauner for making Illinois "a sanctuary state for illegal immigrant criminals."

The ad was quickly deemed offensive by groups supporting transgender, abortion and immigration rights in Illinois. The spot also illustrated the hard-edged social ideology that Ives frequently has displayed in representing her Wheaton district in the General Assembly. The three-term lawmaker is now attempting to bring that approach statewide in a traditionally Democratic-leaning state.

"It is sad that a candidate for the office of governor of Illinois would seek to divide voters by attacking our neighbors, friends and colleagues who are newcomers and refugees, those of a different race, those who are transgender and poor women in need of health care," ACLU Executive Director Coleen Connell said in a statement.

Anticipating questions and criticism, the Ives campaign put out a statement when it sent out the commercial.

"The ad represents Gov. Rauner's chosen constituents

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# Trump shuns advice; GOP releases memo



EVAN VUCCI/AP

After ordering the memo declassified, the president told reporters in his office on Friday, "It's a disgrace what's happening in this country."

## Dems warn of constitutional crisis if Justice is derailed

BY LISA MASCARO  
Washington Bureau

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W.Va. — While congressional Republicans were split over the decision to release the GOP memo on FBI surveillance Friday, Democrats lambasted what they view as a partisan effort to undermine the Justice Department and its investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 election.

Top Democrats warned President Donald Trump of a "constitutional crisis" if top Justice and FBI officials, who had expressed "grave concerns" about the release, were fired in what they would consider a "Saturday night massacre" echoing the Richard Nixon era.

"We are alarmed by reports that you may intend to use this misleading document as a pretext to fire Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein in an effort to corruptly influence or impede Special Counsel (Robert) Mueller's investigation," said a letter from Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., and others.

Rep. Adam Schiff of Cali-



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U.S. Rep. Nancy Pelosi and Sen. Chuck Schumer have warned the president in a letter.

fornia, the top Democrat on the House intelligence committee, vowed to seek a Monday vote by the panel to release the Democrats' report, to counter what the minority views as an inaccurate and one-sided memo prepared by House intelligence committee Chairman Devin Nunes, R-Calif., and his staff.

Though Trump and his allies hope the memo alleging surveillance abuses by the FBI will tarnish the legitimacy of the entire Russia probe, that argu-

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## Document accuses FBI of political motive for warrant

BY CHRIS MEGERIAN AND JOSEPH TANFANI  
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — In his latest bid to portray the Russia investigation as biased against him, President Donald Trump on Friday defied the advice of his top law enforcement and intelligence officials and declassified a controversial Republican memo that asserts — but does not prove — improper government surveillance during the 2016 election.

Given the partisan furor that preceded its release, the memo seemed far less explosive than Republicans had claimed, and far less dangerous to national security than Democrats had asserted.

It neither demonstrates the investigation was fueled by partisan politics at the FBI and Justice Department nor exposes previously unknown intelligence sources and methods.

The findings "raise concerns with the legitimacy and legality" of FBI and Justice Department interactions with the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court and represent "a troubling breakdown" of legal processes to protect the American



ANDREW HARNIK/AP

House intelligence committee Chairman Rep. Devin Nunes had the memo prepared.

public from surveillance abuses by the government, the memo's GOP authors wrote.

Critics, including some leading Republicans, fired back that the memo shows no wrongdoing or misdeeds, and that it served only to undermine the ongoing special counsel investigation into whether anyone in Trump's orbit assisted Russian meddling in the 2016 election or sought to obstruct justice later.

At its heart, the four-page memo says that Justice Depart-

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## Dow plunges 2.5% amid inflation fears

Interest rates spook investors in market's worst week since 2016

BY ALEX VEIGA  
Associated Press

U.S. stocks slumped Friday, and the market suffered its worst week in two years, as fears of inflation and disappointing quarterly results from technology and energy giants spooked investors. The Dow Jones industrial average dropped by more than 650 points.

Bond yields rose and contributed to the stock market swoon after the government reported that wages grew last month at the fastest pace in eight years. The Dow had its worst decline since June 2016, while the

broader Standard & Poor's 500 index had its biggest one-day percentage drop since September 2016.

"We've enjoyed low interest rates for so long, we're having to deal with a little bit higher rates now, so the market is trying to figure out what that could mean for inflation," said Darrell Cronk, head of the Wells Fargo Investment Institute.

The increase in bond yields hurts stocks in two ways: It makes it more expensive for companies to borrow money, and it also makes bonds more appealing to investors than riskier assets such as stocks.

Several major companies, including Google's parent company, Alphabet, and Exxon Mobil, sank after reporting

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## Distraught father tries to attack Nassar

Randall Margraves is tackled by sheriff's deputies after he lunged at Larry Nassar during a sentencing hearing in Michigan on Friday. Margraves, the father of three victims of the disgraced former sports doctor, later apologized to the court. **Nation & World**, Page 5

## 3 hit in crackdown at city Law Department

1 quits, 2 suspended over withholding of evidence in lawsuit

BY JASON MEISNER  
Chicago Tribune

A Chicago Law Department attorney has resigned and two others were suspended this week in a crackdown over the withholding of evidence in a recent lawsuit, according to an internal memo obtained Friday by the Tribune.

The two-page memo from Corporation Counsel Edward Siskel said the attorneys' failure to meet professional standards breached the public trust.

"Any failure to meet those standards can quickly erode the trust the public places in us, and mistakes can have lasting, sig-

nificant consequences that damage our collective reputation with judges, opposing counsel and taxpayers," Siskel wrote in the memo dated Thursday.

He did not identify the attorneys involved or the case that led to the discipline.

But the move comes just a week after attorneys for the Law Department were accused of withholding evidence in a civil rights lawsuit over the August 2015 police shooting that wounded Jaquise Evans, then 16.

An irate U.S. District Judge Rebecca Pallmeyer had made it clear that she intended to sanction the city for its repeated failures in the Evans case. But minutes before the sanctions

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# Advocacy groups condemn Ives campaign ad

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based on the policy choices he made," Ives' campaign said.

"Those Republican primary voters who don't know of Rauner's betrayals of conservatives need to know. Now they will," the campaign said.

Ives' camp also contended the ad represents a "fair and accurate representation of the implications" of Rauner's policy choices. But the ad exaggerates the effects — and misstates the facts — about laws Rauner signed.

Take the ad's most highly charged accusation. A deep-voiced actor wearing a dress says, "Thank you for signing legislation that lets me use the girls bathroom."

The law Rauner signed did not address the use of bathrooms. Rauner signed legislation in August allowing transgender people to change the gender on their birth certificates with authorization from a medical professional confirming treatment. Previously, the law required proof of a surgical operation.

Brian C. Johnson, the CEO of Equality Illinois, the state's LGBTQ civil rights organization, said the group had hoped for "a higher level of discourse" from someone running for governor.

"At a time when our leaders should be bringing Illinoisans together, Jeanne Ives is launching a campaign of division and rancor. We need a governor who will stand up for all Illinoisans, not someone who will target transgender Illinoisans for her personal political benefit," Johnson said in



A screenshot of Jeanne Ives' "Thank You, Bruce Rauner" TV ad, which has been deemed offensive by groups supporting transgender, abortion and immigration rights in Illinois.

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a statement.

On Saturday night, Rauner and his wife, Diana, are scheduled to make their first-ever appearance at the organization's gala fundraising event and paid \$25,000 as "platinum sponsors," the group said. Democratic governor candidate J.B. Pritzker and his wife, Mary Kay, gave \$15,000 as

"gold sponsors" of the event. Pritzker chaired the group's fundraiser in 2016.

Ives' ad also features an actor wearing a hoodie and a handkerchief around his mouth saying, "Thank you Bruce Rauner for opposing law enforcement and making Illinois a sanctuary state for illegal immigrant criminals."

A law Rauner signed in August ultimately was backed by major law enforcement groups. It prevents law enforcement from detaining someone solely on the basis of their legal status. It also prevents law enforcement turning over someone to immigration authorities without a judicial warrant.

The Illinois Business Immigration Coalition, which advocated for the law, issued a statement saying

Ives' ad "is full of misinformation, hate and bigotry."

The ad's depiction of a women's rights protester talking about getting "abortions" was a reference to Rauner's signature on legislation that expanded taxpayer-subsidized abortions for women covered by Medicaid and state employee health insurance.

Ives has maintained Rauner's approval of the law motivated her candidacy after he had earlier told conservatives that he would veto the measure. Rauner has said his support for abortion rights was evident from his first bid for governor four years ago.

Terry Cosgrove, president and CEO of Personal PAC, an abortion rights political advocacy group, said Ives was appealing to "the craziest of the crazy" and

displaying the "lowest form of politics."

"She wants to make all abortions and the most commonly used form of birth control illegal in Illinois," said Cosgrove, whose group has endorsed Pritzker in the Democratic primary. "This is an extreme right-wing position that totally ignores the reality of most people's lives."

Another part of the ad features an African-American woman wearing a red Chicago Teachers Union T-shirt thanking Rauner "for making the rest of Illinois bail out Chicago teacher pensions and giving (Mayor) Rahm (Emanuel) everything he wanted and more."

In late August, Rauner signed a historic rewrite of the state's school funding formula after vetoing an earlier version that he contended was a "bailout" for the Chicago Public Schools.

The version the governor signed has the state picking up a larger share of city teacher pension costs, in line with all the other school districts in the state, while also allowing higher city property taxes to help fund pensions. Emanuel said the bill gave CPS all the money it was slated to get "and more."

Asked for a reaction to the ad, CTU spokeswoman Chris Geovanis emailed, "we're not going to dignify this racist, sexist, homophobic piece of crap with a response."

The Ives campaign previewed a one-minute version of the ad, although a political advertising strategist not affiliated with the campaign said a review of TV station records showed the Ives camp had pur-

chased half-minute commercial spots.

Asked for a response, Rauner's campaign did not address the Ives ad directly, instead issuing a statement about a tax hike and Democratic House Speaker Michael Madigan.

Ives' release of the controversial ad, as well as a half-minute biographical spot, came a day after she dumped the scheduled keynote speaker for her McHenry County fundraiser amid a furor over his beliefs that African-Americans were intellectually inferior to whites.

Ives also made racially charged remarks last month when she told the audience at a candidate forum in the West Loop that the way to end Chicago's gun violence was "fathers in the home." Democratic candidate Chris Kennedy, the son of assassinated former U.S. Sen. Robert Kennedy, walked out of the forum after telling Ives that "I didn't have a father in my life. Somebody shot him."

Kennedy used that incident and Ives' new ad in an emailed fundraising pitch, calling it "appalling and disrespectful to everyone who makes Illinois what it is today" and a "slap in the face to everyone who's brought progress and inclusivity to Illinois."

"We already have enough hate and bigotry in the White House. We don't need a governor who stands silent against Donald Trump, and we certainly don't need a governor who echoes Donald Trump," Kennedy said.

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# Biggest declines for Dow and S&P 500 since 2016

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weak earnings. Apple fell on concerns about iPhone sales.

The sharp decline in stocks this week short-circuited a robust start to the year that was spurred by strong global economic growth, solid company earnings and lingering enthusiasm for the GOP tax overhaul. Even with the pullback, the major indexes are still up more than 3 percent this year.

The downturn also follows a long period of unprecedented calm in the market. Stocks haven't had a pullback of 10 percent or more in two years, and hit their latest record highs just one week ago.

The S&P 500 fell 59.85 points, or 2.1 percent, to 2,762.13. The index has lost 3.9 percent since hitting a record high a week ago.

The Dow lost 665.75 points, or 2.5 percent, to 25,520.96. The Nasdaq slid 144.92 points, or 2 percent, to 7,240.95. The Russell 2000 index of smaller-company stocks gave up 32.59 points, or 2.1 percent, to 1,547.27.

While interest rates are still low by historical standards, meaning borrowing is still relatively cheap for businesses and people, they've been rising more

swiftly, and that's what has markets on edge.

"The pace of rate increases is more important than the level," said Nate Thooft, senior portfolio manager at Manulife Asset Management.

The increase in rates has been driven by the prospect of stronger economic growth, and higher inflation, in the U.S. and abroad.

Bond prices declined again Friday, pushing yields higher. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note, a benchmark for interest rates on many kinds of loans, including mortgages, climbed to 2.84 percent, the highest level in roughly four years. The rate was at 2.41 percent four weeks ago and 2.66 percent on Monday.

"Once we started going north of 2.5 percent, and you put that together with an overbought market, it had the ingredients of a sell-off, especially since January was so strong," said Jeff Zipper, regional investment strategist at U.S. Bank Private Wealth Management.

The S&P 500, which many index funds track, soared 5.6 percent in January, its biggest monthly gain since March 2016.

One concern for investors is that the Federal Reserve will respond to higher inflation by raising

its key interest rate more quickly than expected. The government's latest job and wage data stoked those concerns Friday.

U.S. employers added a robust 200,000 jobs in January, slightly above market expectations for an 185,000 increase. Meanwhile, wages rose sharply, suggesting employers are competing more fiercely for workers. The figures point to an economy on strong footing even in its ninth year of expansion, fueled by global economic growth and healthy consumer spending at home.

That's good news for Main Street USA, but not for Wall Street. Some economists were predicting Friday that the central bank will raise its benchmark rate four times this year, rather than the three times most previously expected.

The market slide may have been overdue, particularly after the strong start

for stocks this year where the S&P 500 had its best January in two decades. Some investors saw a potential buying opportunity.

The global economy is still strong, corporate profits and sales have been better than expected this reporting season, and buyers for stocks still remain, all reasons to be optimistic about stocks, said Nate Thooft, senior portfolio manager at Manulife Asset Management.

"It's appealing, these 2 to 3 percent pullbacks," said Thooft, who had been trimming some of his stock holdings after the market's big January gains. "We look at this and say, 'Maybe it's your first day to buy a little bit.'"

While earnings overall have been strong, some big companies have posted disappointing results.

Google's parent company Alphabet slumped 5.3 per-

cent after the search giant reported results that missed analysts' forecasts. The stock slid \$62.39 to \$1,119.20.

Exxon Mobil dropped 5.1 percent, while Chevron lost 5.6 percent after the oil companies' latest quarterly results fell short of forecasts. Shares in Exxon shed \$4.54 to \$84.53. Chevron gave up \$6.99 to \$118.58.

Apple declined 4.3 percent after the technology company said it sold 77.3 million iPhones in the last quarter, below the 80 million analysts expected. The stock slid \$7.28 to \$160.50.

Traders welcomed Amazon's latest results. The e-commerce giant rose 2.9 percent after its fourth-quarter profit increased by more than \$1 billion. Amazon shares gained \$39.95 to \$1,429.95.

Oil futures declined. Benchmark U.S. crude slid 35 cents, or 0.5 percent, to

settle at \$65.45 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Brent crude, used to price international oils, fell \$1.07, or 1.5 percent, to close at \$68.58 a barrel in London.

Wholesale gasoline fell 2 cents to \$1.87 a gallon and heating oil fell 4 cents to \$2.05 a gallon. Natural gas slipped 1 cent to \$2.85 per 1,000 cubic feet.

The dollar rose to 110.28 yen from 109.42 yen on Thursday. The euro weakened to \$1.2451 from \$1.2502.

Major stock indexes in Europe also declined Friday. Germany's DAX slid 1.7 percent, while France's CAC 40 lost 1.6 percent. Britain's FTSE 100 index gave up 0.6 percent.

In Asia, Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 fell 0.9 percent and South Korea's Kospi slid 1.7 percent. Hong Kong's Hang Seng index dipped 0.1 percent.

## ACCURACY AND ETHICS

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■ A story on Page 10 of the Jan. 28 main news about the planned Red Line extension on the South Side incorrectly stated where the route would end. That project's terminus would be 130th Street in Chicago.

■ An Associated Press story on Page 12 of the Jan. 24 main news section referred to a "rare 1904 Jeep Levo." That reference is unsupported by the Jeep brand website, which traces the history of the Jeep® Brand 4x4 vehicle to the 1940s during World War II. The Tribune regrets the errors.

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Pick 4 evening	1615 / 7
Lucky Day Lotto evening	03 10 15 20 29
Feb. 3 Lotto: \$3M	
Feb. 3 Powerball: \$145M	
WISCONSIN	
Feb. 2	
Pick 3	054
Pick 4	3487
Badger 5	01 02 05 20 23
SuperCash	02 03 07 25 28 39

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Daily 4 evening	2284 / 3
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# Chicago Tribune CHICAGOLAND

## Lipinski challenger Newman gets SEIU backing

Newcomer aims to gain higher profile; incumbent says he's fought for unions

By JOHN BYRNE  
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Chicago Tribune

Democrat Marie Newman's primary challenge to longtime U.S. Rep. Dan Lipinski got a boost Friday from the Illinois chapter of the Service Employees International Union.

The political newcomer from La Grange also got the backing of the political group EMILY's List. Newman has been attacking

Lipinski's stances against abortion rights, protection for immigrants living in the country illegally and health care that she says are out of touch with voters in the Southwest Side and suburban district.

Lipinski is a seven-term incumbent who previously has announced the backing of 30 suburban mayors and the state's pre-eminent labor organization, the AFL-CIO. He's positioning himself as a pragmatist.

On Friday, SEIU state council President Tom Balanoff said Lipinski hasn't supported "working families."

"Illinois working families cannot trust Dan Lipinski to work for them in Washington," Balanoff said at a downtown news conference. "The working people of Illinois' 3rd District deserve a representative who truly represents their values."

In response to the Newman endorsements, Li-



Newman

pinski campaign spokesman Matthew Mayer released a statement saying Lipinski has voted in favor of working families in Congress and has fought against Republican attempts

to weaken unions.

"At a time when everyone in organized labor should be focused on defeating Republicans and winning control of Congress so we can fight President (Donald) Trump from a position of strength, it is a shame that

SEIU is instead choosing to divide labor and distract from the battle against Trump," Mayer said.

For Newman, SEIU money and manpower could help as she tries to boost her name recognition and differentiate herself from Lipinski among Democratic voters in the district.

The race is being watched as a proxy fight between the progressive and more conservative wings of the Democratic Party. Last month, Democratic U.S. Reps. Luis Gutierrez of Chicago and Jan Schakowsky of Ev-

anston took the unusual step of endorsing Newman over their colleague.

EMILY's List also endorsed Newman, saying Lipinski "has not shown himself to be a leader that women and families can depend on" and "has put women's reproductive health care in jeopardy."

The group supports pro-abortion rights Democratic women for public office, and its large membership can mean big bucks to favored candidates.

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Michele Talos, sister of Jennifer Bishop, who was killed at the Lane Bryant store in Tinley Park in 2008, and Maurice Hamilton, right, brother of victim Rhoda McFarland, attend a prayer service for the victims at a Tinley Park church Friday.

## Lane Bryant victims remembered at service

Families say they have bonded in grief; police remain hopeful

By MIKE NOLAN  
Daily Southtown

Following a prayer service for five women slain a decade ago in Tinley Park, Will County's chief law enforcement officer said authorities have "doubled our resolve" to capture their killer, as family members of the victims expressed hope someone with key information will step forward.

Investigators working to solve the Feb. 2, 2008, shooting deaths of five women inside a Lane Bryant store are employing new strategies as they revisit evidence in the case, Will County State's Attorney James Glasgow said following the service at St. Stephen Deacon and Martyr Church.

"We're going to find him," he told reporters gathered outside the church Friday. "We're very confident we will solve this case."

Tinley Park police have released a new 3-D image of the suspect, and the sister of one of the women killed said she hoped that someone will see it and provide police with information that can lead to the suspect's arrest.

"They need to come forward and help us out," said Michele Talos, whose sister was one of the victims, Jennifer Bishop, a nurse from South Bend, Ind.

A sixth woman who was in the store, a Lane Bryant employee, was shot but survived and provided police with a description of the suspect, upon which the new image is based.

Maurice Hamilton, whose sister, Rhoda McFarland, was manager of the store and among those killed, said the families of the women have bonded in their grief to support one another, and that "the support of others is a blessing," referring to the people who attended the prayer service.

"I can smile today," he said. Hamilton said that although the killer of his sister and the other four women has yet to be brought to justice, "we've got faith in the Police Department."

Along with Bishop and McFarland, of Joliet, also killed were Sarah Szafranski, 22, of Oak Forest; Connie Woolfolk, 37, of Flossmoor, and Carrie Hudek Chiuso, 33, of Frankfort.

Glasgow also said that

the passage of 10 years doesn't mean justice won't be served, referencing convictions in Will County of cold cases, such as the life sentence handed down this past week for a man convicted of the 2002 murder of a Joliet woman.

"It happens more often than people think," he said of cold cases being solved.

About 200 people were in the church for the service, where Talos, with Hamilton standing next to her, told those in attendance that what happened to her sister and the others a decade ago was "an attack on dignity and human life," but that through that tragedy a "tremendous amount of love stirred up" as families and the community grieved. In front of the altar were pictures of the five women, with five white candles in front of them.

The Rev. James Finno, pastor of St. Stephen, said "we still feel deep hurt at the senseless loss" of the five women, and "we still ask why, we still yearn to solve this terrible crime."

He noted the photos of the women and the candles, and that "memories are important."

"They keep the spirit of the loved ones alive in our hearts," Finno said.

In opening the prayer service, Tinley Park Mayor

Jacob Vandenberg said a "remarkable group of women left this world far too soon," and that their deaths "forever changed Tinley Park." He said the community "will never forget these women."

Police have received about 7,300 leads and tips in the case, and have a tip line for the investigation, 708-444-5394, and an email address, lanebryant.tipline@tinleypark.org. The image of the suspect is also on the department's website.

Investigators have said that shortly after 10 a.m. the day of the killings, which was a Saturday, an African-American man about 6 feet tall with a husky build and broad shoulders came into the store posing as a deliveryman.

Four women, including McFarland and the other employee who was shot but survived, were in the store at the time.

The man pulled out a gun, announced he was robbing the store, then herded the women into a back room, where they were bound with duct tape and ordered to lie face-down on the floor. Two other women who subsequently entered the store were similarly restrained.

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## Emanuel strikes back with tough words for Vallas

Political rivals trade blame for city's debt woes

By BILL RUTHHART  
Chicago Tribune

Asked Friday about potential challenger Paul Vallas' suggestion that he couldn't be trusted to handle city finances, Mayor Rahm Emanuel tried to pull his punches.

Twice, the mayor was asked. And twice, he declined to answer. The third time, though, Emanuel let it rip.

"This is a person who is the architect of kicking the can down the road. ... It took the city of Chicago seven long, hard years to fix what he broke and was an architect for breaking,"

Emanuel said of Vallas, who worked as Mayor Richard M. Daley's budget director and Chicago Public Schools CEO. "We're not going back. It's not going to be back to the future. And I'll just say this, since today is the day: We're not having Groundhog Day again here in Chicago. It's not gonna happen."

Vallas responded by saying Emanuel lied, comparing the mayor to Republican President Donald Trump and stressing that the financial morass that formed at Daley's City Hall did so after he departed in 2001 to run an unsuccessful bid for governor.

"Besides it being an absolute bold-face lie and an embarrassing lie — if you're going to lie, don't lie about something that can so easily be refuted. C'mon. I thought he was more sophisticated than that," Vallas said of Emanuel. "This is what politicians do when they have a lot of money and they have a record they really don't want to run on. Like Trump, Rahm thinks if he can repeat the lies enough times, people will begin to believe them. I have a lot more faith in the public than Rahm has."

The tit-for-tat came after Vallas, who is considering a run for mayor in 2019, surfaced at a City Club of Chicago luncheon Wednesday to tell reporters that Emanuel should have acted faster after taking office in 2011 to address the shortfalls in four city worker pension systems and the deep debt at CPS.

"The bottom line is they punted for four years, and after the election, suddenly the sword of Damocles comes crashing down," Vallas said, referring to the more than \$1 billion in tax increases enacted since Emanuel's re-election in 2015. "The question that one has to ask oneself is, 'Do you

trust the current mayor to steer the city in the right direction?'"

On Friday, Emanuel zeroed in on Vallas' time in the Daley administration. The current mayor slammed Vallas as having a role in skipping pension payments, eliminating dedicated property taxes for teacher pensions and putting off difficult decisions with the city's budget.

"It's been a long, hard effort by all of us in the city to fix what he left behind," Emanuel said, accusing Vallas of being behind an orchestrated plan "to literally kick the can down the road for somebody else to fix the problem they left behind."

As has been his custom, Emanuel did not mention his predecessor Daley by name. Emanuel also ignored a question about Vallas' assertion that the mayor put off dealing with the city's financial woes.

While Vallas was in the Daley administration when some of the initial decisions were made that helped lead to the city's financial erosion, much of the damage occurred after he left City Hall.

When Vallas was budget director, the four pension funds were in much better standing than they are now, and the teachers fund was in good shape when he started at CPS in 1995. A Daley-engineered state law that allowed the mayor to divert money away from pension funds to school operations was passed when Vallas was budget director and just before his move over to CPS.

While the district skipped some pension payments on Vallas' watch, the teachers pension fund was still sound when he left CPS in 2001. Vallas blamed his successors for not keeping the city's commitments on funding pensions.

"I must have gotten under Rahm's skin. There must be some inside poll or something and he's trying to take me out early," Vallas said Friday, laughing. "I'm very amused, and quite frankly, I'm flattered he would respond so quickly rather than ignore me."

Vallas, who most recently served as a high-paid administrator at Chicago State University, has run school districts in Philadelphia, Louisiana and Bridgeport, Conn. The Chicago native recently moved back into the city and has said he'll make a decision on whether to run against Emanuel by the end of March.

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## Quigley: GOP memo release hurts national security

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WASHINGTON — Chicago-area Democrats in Congress blasted Friday's release of a Republican-authored memo that alleges FBI surveillance abuses in its probe of Russian meddling in the 2016 presidential election.

U.S. Rep. Mike Quigley of Chicago called the memo "biased, incomplete, and in many instances completely

false." He's the only Illinois member of the House intelligence committee. Quigley said the document may give the committee's GOP chairman and his allies "what they perceive as a short-term political win, but it will come at the great expense of our national security."

Rep. Luis Gutierrez and Democrats on the House Judiciary Committee said in a statement that President Donald Trump's decision to OK the release of the

intelligence committee chairman's "Republican talking points" is "part of a coordinated propaganda effort" to discredit the Russia probe. Rep. Robin Kelly of Matteson slammed the memo as "politically-motivated, uneventful & juvenile."

Republicans have suggested the memo's findings undermine special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation. Republican Rep. Adam Kinzinger of Channahon

posted on Twitter that "the American people can decide for themselves" now that the memo is public and called the FBI a "distinguished organization."

"If any abuse took place, those guilty should be held accountable to ensure the FBI continues to be the leading law enforcement, and the noble agency we know it to be," Kinzinger's statement said.

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Subject: Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act Abuses at the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation

**Purpose**

This memorandum provides Members an update on significant facts relating to the Committee's ongoing investigation into the Department of Justice (DOJ) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and their use of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) during the 2016 presidential election cycle. Our findings, which are detailed below, 1) raise concerns with the legitimacy and legality of certain DOJ and FBI interactions with the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court (FISC), and 2) represent a troubling breakdown of legal processes established to protect the American people from abuses related to the FISA process.

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## Dems point to trigger of probe

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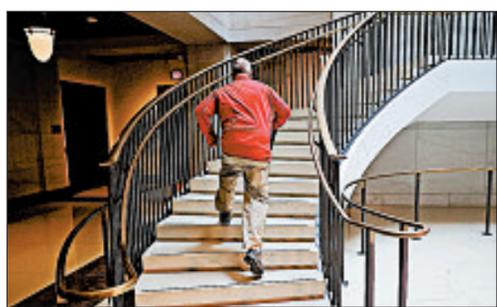
ment may be undercut by a sentence buried near the end of the four-page document.

It confirms for the first time that the event that set the FBI's counterintelligence investigation in motion was not the surveillance of Trump adviser Carter Page — a subject upon which most of the memo dwells — but rather that it was opened as the result of information the bureau had received about another person connected to the Trump campaign.

That other individual is George Papadopoulos, a foreign policy consultant who in October became the first person associated with the campaign to plead guilty in the special counsel's investigation. He is now reported to be a cooperating witness.

"The Papadopoulos information triggered the opening of an FBI counterintelligence investigation in late July 2016 by FBI agent Pete Strzok," the memo noted in its final paragraph.

Democrats seized on that sentence to assert that the Republicans' own memo shows that the Russia investigation would be underway with or without the surveillance of Page, and even if the government had never seen a dossier of information about Trump that was compiled by Christopher Steele, a former British spy.



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A person leaves the secure offices of the House Intelligence Committee after a six-page memo was released.

That dossier was funded by the Hillary Clinton campaign and the Democratic National Committee, fueling GOP claims that some underlying evidence used by the FBI was politically motivated and therefore illegitimate.

"The authors of the GOP memo would like the country to believe that the investigation began with Christopher Steele and the dossier, and if they can just discredit Mr. Steele, they can make the whole investigation go away regardless of the Russians' interference in our election or the role of the Trump campaign in that interference," Democrats on the House intelligence committee wrote in response to the memo.

"This ignores the inconvenient fact that the investigation did not begin with, or arise from Christopher Steele or the dossier, and that the investigation would persist on the basis of wholly independent evidence had Christopher Steele never entered the picture," the Democrats said.

House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., reiterated he supported the release of both memos. But Ryan also sought to caution those in his ranks from using the findings to attack the FBI

and Department of Justice.

"It is critical that we focus on specific actions and specific actors and not use this memo to impugn the integrity of the justice system and FBI, which continue to serve the American people with honor," Ryan said in a statement.

Democrats criticized Republicans for standing by in what they view as Trump's efforts to undermine the Russia investigation, but Ryan and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., have panned legislative efforts to protect Mueller from being ousted by Trump.

The push to release the memo, fueled in part by a social media campaign that lawmakers acknowledged was likely influenced by Republican operatives, came largely from House Republicans amid dissent from some GOP senators.

The Senate intelligence committee is trying to work in a bipartisan way to investigate Russian influence in U.S. elections, and senators have worried that the partisan nature of the memo could impede the probe.

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## GOP releases memo as Trump defies advice

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ment and FBI officials relied on research funded by Democrats to obtain a surveillance warrant to secretly eavesdrop on New York energy consultant Carter Page because of his meetings with Russian officials.

Page already had stepped down as a foreign policy adviser to then-candidate Trump when the warrant application was filed Oct. 21, 2016, less than a month before the election.

In one of its most hotly contested assertions, the memo says material collected by former British intelligence operative Christopher Steele on Trump's alleged ties to Russia formed an "essential part" of the FBI and Justice Department application to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court.

The FISA warrant authorized government surveillance of Page for 90 days. It was reauthorized three times, including after Trump took office last year. A senior Democratic staffer on the House intelligence committee said each authorization came from a different member on the 11-judge bench.

The three renewals may indicate that the FISA court judges believed the operation was bearing fruit. But the memo faults the FBI for failing to tell the judges that Steele, identified in the memo as "a longtime FBI source," was working for Fusion GPS, a company hired by lawyers for Hillary Clinton's campaign to collect opposition research on

Trump.

The memo says Steele was paid more than \$160,000 for his research, which later appeared in a dossier that was leaked to the media. The memo says Steele was suspended and then terminated as an FBI source after he disclosed his FBI ties to a reporter for Mother Jones magazine on Oct. 30, 2016.

Arguably the memo's strongest claim is that Andrew McCabe, then deputy director of the FBI, testified to the House committee last December "that no surveillance warrant would have been sought ... without the Steele dossier information."

The memo doesn't directly quote McCabe, however, and Democrats said that it gave a misleading account of his classified testimony.

McCabe, whom Trump had repeatedly criticized in recent months, stepped down from the FBI this week ahead of his planned retirement.

Democrats also disputed the memo's conclusion that FISA judges weren't told that Steele was working on behalf of a research firm hired by Democrats.

"It's misleading to suggest that the court had no idea there was a political motivation involved," said Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., the ranking Democrat on the intelligence committee.

Page applauded the memo's release.

The document was written by aides to Rep. Devin Nunes, chairman of the House intelligence committee, who worked on Trump's transition team.

Trump declassified the memo early Friday and gave the green light for the House committee to make it public. "It's a disgrace what's happening in this country," he told reporters in the Oval Office.

Trump deflected questions about the future of Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein, who oversees the Russia investigation. When reporters asked Trump if he intended to fire Rosenstein, or still had confidence in him, Trump responded, "You figure that one out."

Earlier, the president tweeted that the "top Leadership and Investigators of the FBI and the Justice Department have politicized the sacred investigative process in favor of Democrats and against Republicans — something which would have been unthinkable just a short time ago. Rank & File are great people!"

Democrats, in turn, accused the White House and Republicans of using the memo to politicize a legitimate investigation into a foreign power's attempt to influence a U.S. presidential election, and of undermining public confidence in the criminal investigation led by Mueller.

Experts who reviewed the memo shrugged off its findings as well.

"The effort to paint the Carter Page warrant as an original sin that poisons the entire Mueller investigation just isn't here," said Stephen Vladeck, a University of Texas law professor.

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## 1 resignation, 2 suspensions at city Law Department

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hearing was set to begin, it was announced that the city had agreed to settle the case.

Siskel was not available for comment Friday, and his spokesman, Bill McCaffrey, was out of town.

News of the discipline came as a federal judge in another lawsuit announced she will hold a hearing on possible sanctions over why the city didn't turn over crucial reports about Chicago police Detective Joseph Frugoli until his wrongful death trial was already underway, forcing a multimillion-dollar settlement in the midst of closing arguments.

U.S. District Judge Virginia Kendall said in a written order Thursday that she "intends to address the issue that sanctions be imposed" against the city for its violations of discovery — the routine exchange of evidence — that surfaced during the December trial.

Any sanctions could include a reprimand, a fine or an order to pay substantial attorney fees to opposing counsel.

Kendall gave attorneys

for the city until Feb. 21 to respond in writing to the request for sanctions. A hearing date has not been set.

The fallout from the two cases marked the latest in a string of troubles for the Law Department stemming from its alleged mishandling of civil rights litigation.

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

In 2016, former Law Department attorney Jordan Marsh was forced to resign after evidence surfaced in the middle of a trial that he had withheld key information in a civil case stemming from the fatal police shooting of Darius Pinex. The city later settled the Pinex case for \$3 million, including attorneys' fees.

Siskel, who took over the Law Department a year ago,

wrote in his Thursday memo that he "started a review" of his office's handling of a recent lawsuit as soon as he learned of allegations that errors occurred. The review included not only Law Department attorneys but also outside counsel hired to represent the city in the case, he said.

As a result, one Law Department attorney resigned, another was suspended for 30 days without pay and a third was suspended without pay for five days, according to the memo. Both suspended attorneys will be placed on a "performance plan" once they return, Siskel said.

New measures were being implemented "requiring additional supervision of outside counsel," Siskel said. The office also was re-evaluating "discovery practices and procedures to ensure that we are always improving our compliance ... and fulfilling our obligations as officers of the court," he said.

The Frugoli case imploded in dramatic fashion in December after it was revealed that key documents involving an alcohol-fueled bar fight in the de-

tective's past had been improperly withheld by lawyers for the city.

Frugoli was accused in the lawsuit of drinking for nearly five hours at two South Side bars in April 2009 before getting behind the wheel of his Lexus SUV, entering the southbound Dan Ryan Expressway at a high rate of speed and slamming into the back of a disabled car near Roosevelt Road, killing Andrew Cazares, 23, and Fausto Manera, 21.

Frugoli limped away from the scene as the vehicle he struck burst into flames. He was arrested a few blocks away, and his blood alcohol level was later measured at 0.328 percent, more than four times the legal limit of 0.08 percent.

The bombshell report on Frugoli's 1992 bar fight surfaced in the midst of the trial after Frugoli testified that he was suspended for the incident — something that was a surprise to lawyers for the victims' families because no such records had ever been turned over to them by the city.

After the jury left the courtroom, Kendall asked Frugoli for details of the

case and ordered lawyers for the city to go back to the Police Department and search for the paperwork. The 115-page file documenting the bar fight was finally handed over three days later, along with two other previously undisclosed files.

The records showed Frugoli walked into the First Base Tavern in Bridgeport with two friends, smashed bar glasses, broke bar stools and pool cues, punched one man in the face and threw another 7 feet across the bar into a pool table. When the panicked bartender asked Frugoli to leave, the off-duty officer yelled, "Nobody messes with the Frugolis!"

Frugoli fled in his car as officers arrived. He pulled over only after a sergeant chased him in her marked squad car with her lights flashing.

Despite indications that Frugoli had been drinking, he was allowed to drive himself back to the police station, where he was never handcuffed, questioned or issued a sobriety test, the record showed. Misdemeanor battery charges were later filed, but Frugoli said they were dropped.

Frugoli was suspended from work without pay for 15 days for the fight, but the sanction was reduced to five days after he appealed, records show.

On Dec. 8, one day after the evidence was shown to the jury, the settlement in the lawsuit came together in dramatic fashion in the middle of closing arguments.

When attorney Timothy Cavanagh, who represents the Cazares family, told the jury it was time to "talk about damages," the city's attorneys suddenly sought a sidebar. After both sides huddled with the judge for more than 10 minutes, Kendall called a recess.

When the judge returned, she announced that the case was over.

The amount of the settlement has not made public, but sources have since confirmed to the Tribune that the city agreed to pay \$20 million — half to each family. The settlement still must be greenlighted by the City Council's Finance Committee before going to the full council for a vote.

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## Nuke strategy under further review

Trump plan eyes building smaller nuclear weapons, adding potential scenarios for use

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WASHINGTON — The Trump administration outlined sweeping changes in U.S. nuclear strategy Friday, calling for two new types of nuclear weapons and warning for the first time that in “extreme circumstances” the U.S. could use nuclear weapons in response to non-nuclear attacks on infrastructure and civilians.



The strategy, described in a 75-page review released by the Pentagon, constitutes one of the most significant revisions of U.S. nuclear strategy since the Cold War, one aimed at aggressively countering nuclear-armed Russia and North Korea as well as terrorist groups seeking to acquire nuclear arms.

By clarifying potential scenarios when the president might authorize a nuclear attack, officials said, the U.S. was seeking to deter adversaries from conducting large-scale cyberwarfare and other non-nuclear but potentially devastating attacks on the U.S. and its allies, a controversial idea that critics said could make nuclear war more likely.

“We must look reality in the eye and see the world as it is, not as we wish it to be,” Defense Secretary Jim Mattis said in a statement accompanying the report. “Given the range of potential adversaries, their capabilities and strategic objectives, this review calls for a

flexible, tailored nuclear deterrent strategy.”

“In no way does this approach lower the nuclear threshold,” Mattis wrote. “Rather, by convincing adversaries that even limited use of nuclear weapons will be more costly than they can tolerate, it in fact raises that threshold.”

But Joseph Cirincione, a non-proliferation expert at the Ploughshares Fund, a Washington-based advocacy group that seeks reductions in the nuclear arsenal, said the new strategy — combined with President Donald Trump’s volatile approach to international threats — could lower the threshold for employing nuclear weapons.

“This strategy gives him a massive rebuild of the current cold war arsenal, complete with new missions and new weapons, to include responding to a cyber attack with a nuclear bomb,” Cirincione said. “This plan, coupled with this president, greatly increases the risk of nuclear war.”

The Obama administration sought to shrink the role of nuclear weapons in U.S. defense strategy. It declared in 2010 that it would consider using nuclear weapons only in extreme circumstances, such as a massive conventional attack by a nuclear armed state or in the event of a mass-casualty chemical or biological attack.



Deputy Defense Secretary Patrick Shanahan, left, disputes that using nuclear arms are more likely with more capacity.

Trump’s strategy calls for using nuclear weapons only “in extreme circumstances to defend the vital interests of the United States, its allies, and partners.”

But it specifies that extreme circumstances also could include “non-nuclear strategic attacks” including those on the “U.S., allied, or partner civilian population or infrastructure,” as well as “on U.S. or allied nuclear forces, their command and control, or warning and attack assessment capabilities.”

Jon Wolfsthal, director of the Nuclear Crisis Group and a National Security Council official in the Obama administration, said the new strategy opens the door to first use of nuclear weapons by the U.S. in more scenarios than before.

“The U.S. is expanding the circumstances under which it might use nuclear weapons first, even against non-nuclear states,” he said.

The review recommends modifying “a small number” of nuclear warheads on Trident missiles carried on U.S. submarines to reduce the weapons’ explosive power. Also, a new nuclear-armed cruise missile launched from naval vessels would be developed, a process likely to take years.

Both steps, the report says, are aimed at deterring “regional aggression,” including a decision by Russia, North Korea or other adversaries to carry out a limited nuclear strike in the belief that the U.S. would not respond because it did not want to risk large-scale nuclear war.

Current and former Pentagon officials said that Russian military doctrine envisions using a limited nuclear strike to win a conflict in Europe, believing the U.S. and its allies might not want to risk large-scale nuclear war under those circumstances.

The lower-yield warhead for Trident missiles would “ensure a prompt response option” and would help counter any “mistaken perception” by adversaries that the U.S. might hesitate to respond with nuclear weapons to a limited nuclear strike by one of them, the report said.

Critics say the U.S. arsenal, which includes hundreds of lower-yield nuclear warheads, is adequate to deter any adversary.

“It lowers the threshold

for using nuclear weapons, a particularly frightening proposition given this president’s support for a nuclear arms race,” said Sen. Diane Feinstein, D-Calif.

In the Cold War, the Pentagon had sea-launched cruise missiles, which are more difficult for an adversary to detect because they fly at low altitudes. That weapon was retired by the Obama administration in 2011.

“Some will say any additional capacity, no matter how measured, increases the chances of using one of these weapons,” Deputy Defense Secretary Patrick Shanahan said Friday at a Pentagon news conference. “On the contrary, it is the exact opposite.”

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Father of three victims Randall Margraves charges at Larry Nassar, bottom right, in court.

## Angry dad of 3 abused girls charges at Nassar in court

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CHARLOTTE, Mich. — A distraught father, seething over sexual abuse suffered by three daughters, tried to attack former sports doctor Larry Nassar in a Michigan courtroom Friday after a judge declined a request to confront the “demon” in a locked room, a stunning rush that reflected the anguish of parents who trusted Nassar with their children.

Randall Margraves was blocked by an attorney, tackled by sheriff’s deputies and hauled out of court.

He later apologized, saying he had lost control.

Eaton County Judge Janice Cunningham said there was “no way” she would fine him or send him to jail under her contempt-of-court powers.

“I don’t know what it would be like to stand there as a father and know that three of your girls were injured physically and emotionally by somebody sitting in a courtroom. I can’t imagine that,” the judge said.

But she added, it’s “not acceptable that we combat



Madison Rae Margraves, right, reacts as her sister, Lauren, gives a statement.

assault with assault.”

“I cannot tolerate or condone vigilantism or any other type of action that basically comes down to an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth,” Cunningham said. The incident occurred during the third and final sentencing hearing for Nassar, who has admitted to sexually assaulting women and girls under the guise of medical treatment.

This case focuses on his work at Twistars, an elite gymnastics club southwest of Lansing. It follows a hearing last week where Nassar, 54, was sentenced to 40 to 175 years in prison for assaults at Michigan State University and his home.

Nassar pleaded guilty to molesting nine victims in Eaton and Ingham counties, but the court hearings have been open to anyone who says they were assaulted during Nassar’s decades of work at Michigan State, Twistars and USA Gymnastics, which trains Olympians.

More than 200 accusers have spoken or submitted statements in the two counties, and 80 percent have agreed to be identified. Margraves’ dramatic move occurred after he listened to two of his daughters speak in court for 10 minutes.

Lauren Margraves, a college student, said her parents were “filled with regret” because they took three daughters to see Nassar for sports injuries.

“I see the look in their faces, and I know they want to be able to do something, but they can’t,” she told Nassar. “The guilt they have will never go away. All this is because of you.”

Her father then stepped up and asked the judge if she would grant him “five minutes in a locked room with this demon.” That’s when Randall Margraves rushed toward Nassar.

## U.S. tries to ease NAFTA, border worries in Mexico

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MEXICO CITY — U.S. relations with Mexico have been in a tailspin for the last year over President Donald Trump’s anti-immigrant jibes, his threats to scuttle a crucial trade pact, demands that Mexico pay for a border wall and his apparent antipathy toward Mexico’s president.

On Friday, Secretary of State Rex Tillerson met with Mexico’s President Enrique Peña Nieto and other senior officials in an effort to repair relations with one of the largest U.S. trading partners.

If there were no breakthroughs, there were no ruptures either after Tillerson met with the Mexican and Canadian foreign ministers, Luis Videgaray and Chrystia Freeland.

All three are involved in trying to renegotiate the North American Free Trade Agreement, a trilateral trade deal that Trump has threatened to kill.

At a news conference after the meetings, Tillerson defended Trump’s attempts to “modernize” the NAFTA agreement, and to crack down on legal and illegal immigration.

He said the president wants to “clean up” the troubled immigration system and “lift the cloud of uncertainty” on immigrants living in the U.S. without proper documentation.

“I know it’s painful, the process,” Tillerson said as the three diplomats stood before their nation’s flags.

Freeland praised Tillerson as “an incredibly important voice in maintaining the rules-based international order.”

Videgaray also told reporters he is confident the trade talks won’t become a “chess game” with winners and losers but will produce a “win-win-win” outcome for all three countries.



Secretary of State Rex Tillerson, right, meets with Mexican Foreign Minister Luis Videgaray, center, and President Enrique Peña Nieto to work on their countries’ relations.

The sixth round of NAFTA talks ended this week in Washington and will resume later this month in Mexico.

Some Mexican officials have threatened to curb cooperation with Washington in the fights against illegal immigration and drug trafficking if the NAFTA talks collapse.

Tillerson’s visit here marked the start of a five-nation tour of Latin America and the Caribbean, his first multicountry mission in the region. He next flies to Bariloche, Argentina.

Stepped up deportation of Mexicans living in the U.S. without proper documentation has a direct impact on Mexico’s economy.

Last year, Mexicans working in the U.S. sent to their families in Mexico \$28 billion in remittances, an amount 6.6 percent higher than in 2016, the Bank of Mexico reported Friday. The bank said this was the largest sum of remittances on record.

Outside the marble halls of the Mexican presidential compound, Los Pinos, and the Foreign Ministry, the reception for Tillerson was frosty. Protesters on the street called for his ouster,

and a financial newspaper editorialized that he was preaching “primal colonialism.”

“The question is, what else is Videgaray giving to Trump and his collaborators in exchange for preserving NAFTA?” political columnist Salvador Garcia Soto wrote in El Universal newspaper.

That came partly in response to reports floated in the U.S. that Washington would make concessions on NAFTA if Mexico allowed armed air marshals on commercial flights between the two countries.

Videgaray has denied such “quid pro quo” and said any decision on NAFTA will be carefully analyzed. But he has been criticized here for “opaque” maneuvering.

Tillerson “is eager to cement the security cooperation relationship as much as possible so that it doesn’t get contaminated by the NAFTA talks should they turn sour,” said Eric Olson, senior adviser to the Mexico Institute at the non-partisan Wilson Center think tank in Washington.

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## Fed caps growth at Wells Fargo, imposes a new set of penalties

WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve is imposing more penalties on Wells Fargo, freezing the bank's growth until it can prove it has improved its internal controls. In addition, the bank agreed to replace four board members.

It's the latest blow against the San Francisco-based bank that has had its reputation tarnished by revelations it opened phony customer accounts and sold auto insurance to

customers who did not need it.

The new penalties were announced late Friday on Fed Chair Janet Yellen's last day at the Fed.

The Fed ordered the bank to submit a plan for improving board oversight and risk management. Until the Fed determines that the bank's practices have improved, the bank cannot increase its assets beyond \$1.95 trillion, where they stood at the end of 2017.

## Arizona man who sold ammo to Las Vegas shooter charged

CHANDLER, Ariz. — An Arizona man who sold ammunition to the gunman who carried out the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. history was charged Friday with manufacturing armor-piercing bullets, according to court documents.

Unfired armor-piercing bullets found inside the Las Vegas hotel room where Stephen Paddock launched the Oct. 1 attack had the fingerprints of

ammunition dealer Douglas Haig, according to a complaint filed in federal court in Phoenix. It says Haig didn't have a license to manufacture armor-piercing ammunition.

Haig has acknowledged selling 720 rounds of tracer ammunition to Paddock in the weeks before the shooting that killed 58 people. The documents don't say if any ammunition tied to Paddock was used in the attack.

## Putin marks Stalingrad victory as tribute to Russian grit

MOSCOW — Russian President Vladimir Putin attended commemorations Friday marking the 75th anniversary of the Nazi surrender that ended the battle of Stalingrad, lauding the Red Army's victory as a shining example of Russia's perseverance amid adversity.

Putin on Friday visited Volgograd, the current name of the city in southern Russia.

The city was renamed

in 1961 as part of the Soviet Union's rejection of former dictator Josef Stalin's personality cult. But the name Stalingrad remains inextricably linked to the historic battle.

The fighting in Stalingrad between August 1942 and February 1943 is regarded as the bloodiest battle in history. The death toll for soldiers and civilians is estimated to have been 2 million.



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And they're off: Jockeys race Friday during the Sheikh Sultan Bin Zayed al-Nahyan camel festival on the outskirts of Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates.

## Humane Society CEO resigns amid sexual harassment claims

The Humane Society announced Friday that chief executive Wayne Pacelle had resigned, one day after the organization's board decided to keep him in place in the face of multiple sexual harassment complaints.

The board named Kitty Block, who is president of Humane Society's international affiliate, as acting chief executive.

"The last few days have been very hard for our entire family of staff and supporters," said Rick Bernthal, chairman of the HSUS board.

Block's appointment ends a tumultuous week at the Humane Society after

an internal investigation identified three complaints of sexual harassment against Pacelle, and found senior women who said he had ignored warnings to change his conduct.

In an emailed statement to staff, Pacelle praised Block as a "fitting" replacement and a "fabulous" advocate for animal rights.

"I am resigning, effective immediately ... to put aside any distractions, in the best interests of all parties," he wrote.

Pacelle denied all the allegations Monday.

The results of the investigation led to a revolt by major donors and a walk-out threat from employees,

and set the stage for a contentious board meeting Thursday.

In a seven-hour conference call Thursday, board members voted 17-9 with two abstaining to retain Pacelle at the helm. Seven board members quit the organization after the vote to protest the decision.

"Many of the allegations were explosive in nature, and reading or hearing about them is a shock to anyone," Bernthal said in an earlier statement. "It was to us, too. But when we sifted through the evidence presented, we did not find that many of these allegations were supported by credible evidence."

## N. Dakota woman cut child from neighbor's womb

FARGO, N.D. — A North Dakota woman who earlier admitted killing a pregnant neighbor to get her baby did it by cutting the baby from the mother's womb as she faded in and out of consciousness, prosecutors said Friday.

Brooke Crews, 38, was sentenced to life in prison

without parole in a hearing that, for the first time, detailed the August death of Savannah Greywind, 22, of Fargo.

Ashton Matheny, the baby's father, said learning how his baby was born and his girlfriend died "tore me apart." Greywind's mother, Norberta Lafontaine-Grey-

wind, fought back tears, but said she was satisfied with the sentence — the toughest Crews could have received. Prosecutors said the two women argued, and Greywind was briefly knocked out before Crews began cutting her. Greywind eventually bled to death, they said.

## Punxsutawney Phil sees shadow, more winter to go

Associated Press

PUNXSUTAWNEY, Pa. — Pennsylvania's most famous groundhog foresees no early end to winter.

The handlers of Punxsutawney Phil said the furry rodent has called for six more weeks of winter after seeing his shadow at dawn Friday.

The top hat-wearing members of the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club's Inner Circle reveal Phil's forecast every Feb. 2. It is based on a German legend

surrounding Candlemas. The legend says if a furry rodent casts a shadow that day, winter continues. If not, spring comes early.

Phil's prediction is decided ahead of time by the group on Gobbler's Knob, a tiny hill just outside Punxsutawney 65 miles northeast of Pittsburgh.

Thousands gathered overnight to await the forecast, bundled up against the cold and entertained by folk music and a fireworks, with temperatures around 11 degrees Fahrenheit.

The groundhog's prediction is typically contained in a short poem.

"Up early this morning. Far from home. Are you searching for the Philosopher's stone? Well, even my best friends, they don't know. Is it an early spring or just more snow," the proclamation read. "My faithful followers, your hands (and my paws) are getting cold so here is my forecast. Not lead, but solid gold: I see my royal Shadow! Six more weeks of Winter to go!"

Records dating to 1887

show Phil has now predicted more winter 103 times while forecasting an early spring just 18 times — including last year. There are no records for the remaining years.

The origins of Groundhog Day are traced to the 1700s when German settlers arrived in the United States, bringing a tradition known as Candlemas Day, a celebration of the midpoint between the winter solstice and spring equinox. About a century later, it was reimagined as Groundhog

Day.

At the Staten Island Zoo in New York, Staten Island Chuck had a difference of opinion with Phil.

Chuck — a three-decade veteran of weather predictions — did not see his shadow. That means he's predicting an early spring.

New York Mayor Bill de Blasio skipped Friday's ceremony, several years after dropping a groundhog that later died.

Washington Post contributed.

## Taking aim at Iran, U.S. hits Hezbollah with sanctions

WASHINGTON — Taking aim at Iran's global footprint, the Trump administration on Friday hit six people and seven businesses linked to Hezbollah with terror sanctions, calling it "the first wave" in a pressure campaign that will escalate throughout the year.

The sanctions aim to squeeze Hezbollah financier Adham Tabaja, who is already designated by the U.S. as a global terrorist, by freezing out a network of companies in Lebanon, Ghana, Liberia and elsewhere. The Trump administration said companies and their executives act on Tabaja's behalf, forming "conduits" of funding for the Lebanon-based militant group.

"We will be relentless in identifying, exposing, and dismantling Hezbollah's financial support networks globally," Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin said.

Indiana has become the second state to win permission from the Trump administration to require certain low-income residents on Medicaid to work, study or perform public service to qualify. Federal officials approved the Indiana waiver less than three weeks after they gave Kentucky similar permission.

## Utah billionaire and philanthropist

Jon Huntsman Sr. has died. Huntsman's assistant Pam Bailey confirmed he died Friday in Salt Lake City. He was 80. Bailey declined to name a cause of death. Huntsman was the founder and longtime executive chairman of Huntsman Corp., which refines raw materials.



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## CDC: Flu hospitalizations highest in nearly a decade

BY LENA H. SUN  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — This year's flu season has sent more people to the hospital with the illness than in nearly a decade, federal health officials said Friday.

Nationwide, 16 more children died from the virus this week.

Influenza has caused the deaths of at least 53 children, rivaling that of the 2014-15 flu season. Eighty percent of the children had not had a flu shot.

One of every 14 visits to doctors and clinics were for fever, cough and other symptoms of the flu.

That's the highest level since the swine flu pandemic in 2009.

Last week, 42 states reported high patient traffic

for the flu, up from 39.

Experts had thought this season might be bad, but its intensity has surprised most everyone.

"It's been the busiest I can remember for a long time," said Dr. Doug Olson, an emergency room doctor at Northside Hospital Forsyth, in Cumming, Ga.

The unrelenting pace of infection is unusual, officials said.

"As of this week, overall hospitalizations are now the highest we've seen" in nearly a decade, said Anne Schuchat, acting director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Schuchat was placed in charge of the agency Wednesday after Brenda Fitzgerald resigned because of conflicts over her financial interests.

Schuchat urged parents to be on the lookout for symptoms that could indicate severe illness: high persistent fever, difficulty breathing, rapid heartbeat and significant fatigue or confusion. In addition, a child who appears to be improving but gets worse could signal a secondary bacterial infection.

If trends continue, Jernigan said, the toll from this season could well exceed 2014-15, which ended with 56,000 flu-related deaths and 710,000 hospitalizations.

Associated Press contributed.

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# Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

## \$50M purchase of WLUP, WKQX is off

Cumulus will run stations for 90 more days, explore options

BY ROBERT CHANNICK  
Chicago Tribune

Bankrupt Cumulus Media is out of its \$50 million deal to acquire WLUP-FM 97.9 and WKQX-FM 101.1 but has agreed to run the Chicago rock stations for 90 more days to give Merlin Media time to find a new buyer.

A New York bankruptcy judge approved the agreement Thursday. Both sides have an option to extend the deal.

Randy Michaels, the former Tribune Co. CEO who heads Merlin Media, said the new agreement makes it easier to explore “all the available options” for the stations while minimizing on-air disruption for listeners.

“Certainly we’re entertaining offers from other people, we’re continuing to negotiate with Cumulus, and we have the option of operating them ourselves,” Michaels said Friday.

Cumulus, which filed for bankruptcy in November, remains interested in buying the stations on more favorable terms, President and CEO Mary Berner said

in a news release. “We’re pleased to reach this mutual agreement, which establishes a clear path forward for these stations and our employees in Chicago following months of negotiations with Merlin,” she said.

Atlanta-based 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, or more than \$20 million since its inception.

Merlin executed the op-

tion to sell the stations for about \$50 million and filed a transfer application with the Federal Communications Commission in October. Cumulus filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection the following month.

Cumulus said in a January filing that the stations have lost more than \$8.4 million to date, because expenses — including the monthly fees — exceeded revenues.

Under the new agreement, Cumulus will continue to operate the stations but will not have to pay Merlin a monthly fee.

The bankruptcy judge on

Thursday also approved motions filed by Cumulus to reject 14 “extremely unprofitable” contracts, including agreements to air Chicago Bulls and White Sox broadcasts on WLS-AM 890.

Entercom and the Bulls announced Wednesday that the team will move to a new radio home, WSCR-AM 670 The Score, beginning with Saturday’s road game against the Los Angeles Clippers.

Partnering with Chicago-based private equity firm GTCR, Michaels formed Merlin Media in 2011, buying WKQX and WLUP in Chicago, and WRXP-FM in New York, from Emmis

Communications Corp. for about \$198 million in cash and equity.

WLUP, better known as The Loop, is ranked 13th and WKQX is tied for 15th among Chicago stations in the latest Nielsen listener survey.

Michaels said listeners will not notice much of a difference in the legacy rock stations under Cumulus or Merlin, but the formats could be up in the air under new ownership.

“If they get sold, that’s really out of my hands,” he said.

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Miller's Pub will have 60 to 70 more seats when it reopens after taking over the space from a vacated adjacent store.

## Loop fixture Miller's Pub getting overhaul till March

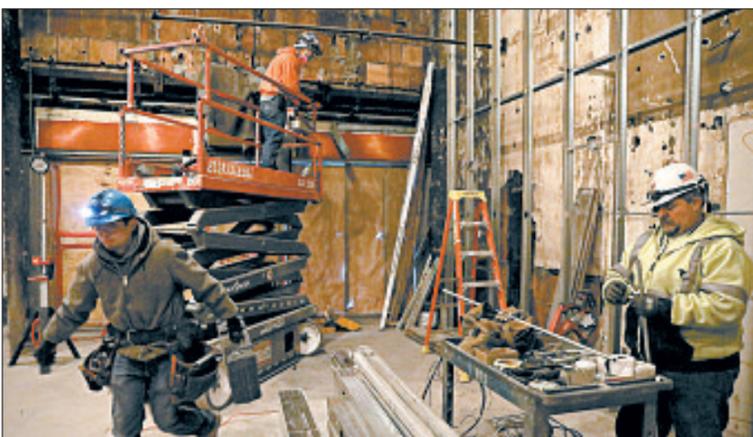
BY ALLY MAROTTI  
Chicago Tribune

Old-school Chicago bar and restaurant Miller's Pub closed this week to undergo its first renovations since 1989.

The pub, an institution on Wabash Avenue, also is taking over a vacated flower shop next door. The 900-square-foot space will hold 60 to 70 extra seats, co-owner Andrew Gallios said. Miller's Pub is set to reopen in early March after the \$1 million overhaul.

In addition to the dining room expansion, the balcony will be transformed into an area for private parties, and the kitchen will be fully rehabilitated. The bar area will get some larger tables to accommodate groups, and the entryway will be rearranged for an increasing number of carryout orders. The old-school decor that gives the joint some of its charm, however, will remain the same.

“Same decor and ambiance, same staff, same owners, same menu. We want people to know we’re happy with what we had before,” Gallios said. “If we want to stay open another 40 years, there are some upgrades and changes and



Work at Miller's will cost \$1 million, but ownership says the ambiance will be the same.

improvements that need to be made.”

The Miller's Pub sign that juts out over Wabash also will remain in place.

Miller's Pub first opened in a space across the street in 1935 and moved to its current location in 1989, Gallios said. The stained glass and pictures that adorned the walls in the first iteration of the restaurant made it through the move then too.

The pub's renovations are occurring as its landlord, Cedar Street Cos., converts the offices that once filled the 12-story building into 176 apart-

ments. Chicago-based Cedar Street bought the building in 2016 and worked to vacate and relocate tenants and secure financing before starting the conversion, said Erik Larson, managing director of finance at Cedar Street.

Cedar Street and Miller's Pub join the city and other developers in investing in the gritty Wabash Avenue. The \$75 million Washington-Wabash “L” station opened last year, the first of its kind in the Loop in 20 years. Restaurants, including Goddess and the Baker and Good Stuff Eatery, have been

flocking to the street in recent years. The Chicago Loop Alliance has been working to make the street, most of which is in the shadow of elevated train tracks, more inviting. Developer Thomas Roszak also is planning a residential tower on Randolph Street near Wabash.

“The Loop has really been transforming in as recently as five years,” Larson said. “It’s become a residential neighborhood, so we saw an opportunity there.”

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## MillerCoors sues ex-strategist now at Constellation

BY GREG TROTTER  
Chicago Tribune

Chicago-based MillerCoors is suing its former top strategist for allegedly violating his contract by taking a similar job at Constellation Brands, a direct competitor.

The lawsuit, filed Wednesday in Cook County Circuit Court, is seeking a temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction, along with damages, in order to block Eric McCloskey from his new job at Constellation for 12 months, the duration of his noncomplete agreement. Until earlier this week, McCloskey was senior director of strategy and analytics for MillerCoors and the company’s “most knowledgeable and highest ranking employee regarding (pricing, marketing and innovation) analytics and analyses,” according to the lawsuit.

The lawsuit alleges that by taking the job of vice president of sales strategy for wine and spirits for Constellation, McCloskey violated his noncomplete agreement, which prohibits working for a direct competitor within 12 months of leaving MillerCoors.

“We believe that this move is a direct violation of his noncomplete agreement with MillerCoors and are taking steps to enforce our rights under the agreement,” Marty Maloney, MillerCoors spokesman, said in a statement Friday.

The lawsuit also alleges that McCloskey attached an external flash drive to his MillerCoors laptop on Jan. 28, the day he resigned from the company, and researched how to clear and transfer files.

When reached Friday, McCloskey, 50, said he was in the process of hiring an attorney but otherwise declined to comment. A Constellation Brands spokesman didn’t immediately return requests for comment.

Constellation Brands’ beer business, which includes Corona, Modelo, Pacifico and Ballast Point, is also headquartered in Chicago. But McCloskey’s new role in the wine and spirits

business would be based in Canandaigua, N.Y., closer to his mother, who had been ill, according to the lawsuit.

Nevertheless, MillerCoors also considers itself in direct competition with Constellation’s wine and spirits business.

In recent years, beer has lost market share to wine and spirits. As a result, MillerCoors has studied how to attract wine and spirits consumers to its own products, the lawsuit said, which cited Crispin Rose as a new MillerCoors product intended to appeal to wine drinkers.

McCloskey, who reported directly to MillerCoors CEO Gavin Hattersley, was the company’s top strategist who led these analyses. At the time of his resignation, his team was working on an analysis specifically focused on Constellation, the lawsuit says.

MillerCoors offered to reduce the duration of the noncomplete agreement to allow McCloskey to start at Constellation on June 1, according to the lawsuit, but Constellation’s general counsel of wine and spirits said that start date was “unacceptable.”

MillerCoors is suing McCloskey on two counts of breach of contract — one regarding his noncomplete agreement and the other his confidentiality agreement — and one count of violating the Illinois Trade Secrets Act. MillerCoors also filed one count of intentional interference with contract against Constellation Brands.

In his resignation letter, cited in the lawsuit, McCloskey wrote: “I regret the difficult position this puts you in more so after the immense kindness and understanding you have expressed toward my family’s current situation. ... You have made me aware of MillerCoors’ likely response to my decision, however the potential troubles that may result were ultimately outweighed by the personal and professional priorities satisfied by Constellation’s offer.”

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## South Shore could get long-awaited grocery store

BY GREG TROTTER  
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Chicago Tribune

After more than four years of waiting, the South Shore neighborhood is one step closer to having a grocery store in the space of a former Dominick’s.

On Friday afternoon, the mayor’s office issued a news release declaring that Shop & Save Market signed a letter of intent to open a new store in Jeffery Plaza at 2101 E. 71st St. The store is the last vacant former Dominick’s within city limits; its

prolonged vacancy has frustrated city officials, residents and Ald. Leslie Hairston, 5th, given the few other grocery options in that area.

Shop & Save owner Cezary Jakubowski confirmed the letter of intent Friday, while also acknowledging the deal is far from done. If everything goes well, the store could open within 18 to 24 months, he said.

“We’re definitely interested. We’re definitely making progress. I don’t have anything solid at this point,

but it looks good,” he said.

Kam Mateen, principal of Cannon Commercial, the Los Angeles-based firm that owns the 130,000-square-foot plaza, couldn’t be reached for comment Friday.

Mayor Rahm Emanuel said details are still being finalized, but that more than \$10 million in city tax increment financing would be used to help fund the development. The mayor said the new store may not have the same footprint that Dominick’s once had.

“It’s not going to be just a replica,” he said. “It’s going

to be what they think works economically, and every grocery store is different.”

South Shore has been classified as a food desert by City Hall since Dominick’s closed in 2014. Emanuel said getting a new store at the location fulfilled his pledge to have 10 Dominick’s stores that closed reopen under a new operator. Asked why it took four years, Emanuel didn’t get into the specifics but acknowledged the difficulty of getting the job done.

“Every neighborhood is different, every new grocer

is different. Some stores, a Jewel just walked in or a Mariano’s or Whole Foods. Others, for a whole host of issues, are different,” Emanuel said.

Last year, the city issued a request for proposals for developers to buy the plaza. In doing so, the city emphasized its goal for a grocery store to anchor the plaza and also said it could use eminent domain if necessary to help facilitate a deal.

Shop & Save is hoping to buy the entire plaza, keep existing plaza tenants and attract others, Jakubowski

said. Remodeling the empty former Dominick’s will be no small task, he said.

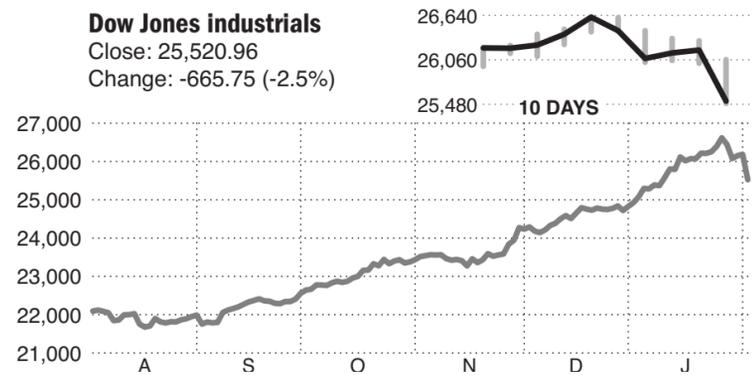
“It’s just an empty box with a leaking roof,” Jakubowski said. “It’s a major, major construction.”

While South Shore’s former Dominick’s is the last unfilled in the city, there are more than 20 former Dominick’s stores in the suburbs that are now controlled by Jewel-Osco parent company Albertson’s that remain vacant.

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MARKET ROUNDUP

**Dow** High: 26,061.79 Low: 25,490.66 Previous: 26,186.71



Nasdaq	S&P 500	Russell 2000
-144.92 (-1.96%)	-59.85 (-2.12%)	-32.60 (-2.06%)
Close: 7,240.95	Close: 2,762.13	Close: 1,547.27
High: 7,364.43	High: 2,808.92	High: 1,577.03
Low: 7,238.18	Low: 2,759.97	Low: 1,547.06
Previous: 7,385.87	Previous: 2,821.98	Previous: 1,579.87

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
+0.05 to 2.84%	-10.60 to \$1,333.70	+0.86 to 110.28/\$1	+0.0032 to .8031/\$1	-0.35 to \$65.45

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
-4.12	-3.53	-3.85	+0.89	+1.46	+0.69	+27.15	+27.78	+20.23

FUTURES							
COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 18	449.75	451	445	446.75	-4.25
		May 18	463.75	463.75	457.75	459.75	-4.50
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 18	361	362.50	359.50	361.50	-.25
		May 18	369.25	370.50	367.75	369.50	-.50
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 18	985.75	986.25	977	978.75	-6.25
		May 18	997	997.50	988.25	990.25	-6.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Mar 18	32.90	32.92	32.48	32.51	-.39
		May 18	33.10	33.10	32.69	32.71	-.39
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Mar 18	334.00	334.30	330.70	331.40	-2.60
		May 18	337.80	338.10	334.60	335.40	-2.30
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Mar 18	65.99	66.30	64.47	65.45	-.35
		Apr 18	65.78	66.00	64.17	65.07	-.48
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Mar 18	2.891	2.920	2.840	2.846	-.010
		Apr 18	2.813	2.834	2.784	2.792	-.001
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Mar 18	1.9014	1.9074	1.8428	1.8720	-.0238
		Apr 18	2.0820	2.0846	2.0250	2.0494	-.0242

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization. Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	61.69	-.49	Equity Commonwith	N	29.37	-.28	McDonalds Corp	N	169.38	-2.52
AbbVie Inc	N	115.17	-1.17	Equity Lifestry Prop	N	84.75	+1.0	Middleby Corp	O	132.76	-3.02
Akorn Inc	O	32.33	-.24	Equity Residential	N	59.95	-.38	Mondelēz Intl	O	45.50	-1.40
Allstate Corp	N	97.94	-.78	Exelon Corp	N	37.72	-.12	Morningstar Inc	O	85.16	-4.75
Aptargroup Inc	N	85.80	-1.09	First Indl RT	N	30.32	-.22	Motorola Solutions	N	103.87	+4.75
Arch Dan Mid	N	41.43	-1.03	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	64.90	-.42	Navistar Intl	N	44.71	-1.84
Baxter Intl	N	68.55	-1.40	Gallagher AJ	N	68.57	-.62	NiSource Inc	N	23.97	-.27
Boeing Co	N	348.91	-8.03	Grainger WW	N	259.69	-6.44	Nthn Trust Cp	O	104.63	-2.15
Brunswick Corp	N	59.82	-.37	GrubHub Inc	N	70.65	-2.21	Old Republic	N	21.55	-.31
CBOE Global Markets	O	134.65	-1.91	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	87.03	+.30	Packaging Corp Am	N	123.10	-.44
CDK Global Inc	O	68.50	-3.04	Hyatt Hotels Corp	N	79.30	+2.22	Stericycle Inc	O	73.39	-.86
CDW Corp	O	75.92	-.58	IDEX Corp	N	142.13	-2.42	TransUnion	N	57.47	-1.56
CF Industries	N	39.91	-1.66	ITW	N	170.38	-2.70	Tribune Media Co A	N	42.64	-.21
CME Group	O	159.11	+2.0	Ingredion Inc	N	135.28	-2.16	USG Corp	N	35.71	-.65
CNA Financial	N	53.20	-.90	John Bean Technol	N	113.95	-2.55	Ulta Salon Cosmetics	O	219.50	+1.0
Caterpillar Inc	N	157.49	-.75	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	151.67	-5.74	United Contl Hldgs	N	65.68	-1.47
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	36.71	-4.90	Kraft Heinz Co	O	77.19	-1.38	Ventas Inc	N	54.33	-.07
Deere Co	N	164.96	-2.89	LKQ Corporation	O	40.93	-.86	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	73.56	-2.53
Discover Fin Svcs	N	78.97	-1.65	Littelfuse Inc	O	214.89	-7.11	Wintrust Financial	O	86.66	-.07
Dover Corp	N	103.22	-2.12	MB Financial	O	42.84	-.35	Zebra Tech	O	120.73	-.80

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Bank of America	31.95	-.55
Gen Electric	15.64	-.38
Ford Motor	10.71	-.21
Weatherford Intl Ltd	3.50	-.55
AT&T Inc	38.07	-1.09
Chesapck Engy	3.33	-.13
Sprint Corp	5.36	+2.26
Nokia Corp	5.40	...
Twitter Inc	25.92	-1.22
Vale SA	12.54	-.64
Alibaba Group Hldg	187.31	-4.91
Gerdau SA	4.43	-.11
Exxon Mobil Corp	84.53	-4.54
Sthwstn Energy	4.05	-.17
AK Steel Hold	4.76	-.24
Freeport McMoran	17.97	-1.48
Pfizer Inc	36.61	-.22
Cleveland-Cliffs Inc	6.48	-.32
Newell Rubbermaid	27.98	+5.58
Wells Fargo & Co	64.07	-1.44
Citygroup	77.02	-1.86
Ambev S.A.	6.75	-.20
Snap Inc A	13.71	-.21
Kinder Morgan Inc	17.50	-.56

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
AT&T Inc	38.07	-1.09
Alphabet Inc C	1111.90	-55.80
Alphabet Inc A	1119.20	-62.39
Amazon.com Inc	1431.00	+41.00
Apple Inc	160.37	-7.41
Bank of America	31.95	-.55
Berkshire Hath A	314340	-11560
Berkshire Hath B	209.12	-8.13
Chevron Corp	118.58	-6.99
Exxon Mobil Corp	84.53	-4.54
Facebook Inc	190.28	-2.81
Home Depot	193.97	-5.93
JPMorgan Chase	114.28	-2.59
Johnson & Johnson	137.68	-2.34
Microsoft Corp	91.78	-2.48
Source Cap	41.15	-.81
Unitedhealth Group	231.88	-3.34
WalMart Strs	104.48	-1.04
Wells Fargo & Co	64.07	-1.44

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCpA m	33.26	-.58	+24.6
American Funds AmrnBAlA m	27.53	-.39	+15.1
American Funds CptWldGrInca m	253.12	-1.12	+25.6
American Funds CptInclBldrA m	63.51	-.96	+14.2
American Funds EuroPacGrA m	58.14	-1.52	+29.3
American Funds FdmtlInvSA m	64.45	-1.35	+24.1
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	52.47	-.96	+27.4
American Funds IncAmrcA m	23.68	-.37	+13.4
American Funds InvCAmrcA m	42.01	-.82	+21.0
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	45.23	-.97	+23.4
American Funds WAMTInvSA m	47.02	-.99	+24.2
DFA EMktCorEq	24.27	-.56	+32.9
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.66	-.02	+3.2
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	48.26	-1.12	+23.1
Dodge & Cox Stk	212.24	-3.70	+21.3
DoubleLine TtRetBdl	10.49	...	+2.5
Fidelity 500IdxIns	96.66	-2.09	+23.5
Fidelity 500IdxInsPrrm	96.66	-2.09	+23.5
Fidelity 500IndexPrrm	96.66	-2.09	+23.5
Fidelity Contrafund	130.86	-2.80	+35.0
Fidelity ContrafundK	130.79	-2.80	+35.2
Fidelity LowPrStk	55.75	-1.18	+21.9
Franklin Templeton Inca m	2.37	-.03	+7.5
Metropolitan TtRetBdl	10.46	-.04	+1.5
Oakmark IntlInv	29.96	-.71	+30.4
PIMCO Inclnstl	12.32	...	+7.4
PIMCO TtRetIns	10.11	-.01	+3.1
Schwab SP500Idx	42.60	-.92	+23.5
T. Rowe Price BCGR	104.06	-1.94	+40.7
T. Rowe Price GrStk	66.79	-1.25	+35.4
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	255.30	-5.52	+23.5
Vanguard 500IdxInv	255.28	-5.52	+23.4
Vanguard DivGrInv	27.28	-.49	+21.6
Vanguard HCAmrl	89.79	-1.29	+18.9
Vanguard INTTEAdmrl	13.90	-.04	+2.6
Vanguard InslIdxIns	251.83	-5.44	+23.5
Vanguard InslIdxInsPlus	251.85	-5.44	+23.5
Vanguard InslTSMInPls	61.33	-1.31	+22.5
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	101.25	-2.31	+40.7
Vanguard MDCpAdmrl	195.99	-4.08	+18.1
Vanguard PrrmCpAdmrl	139.59	-2.68	+31.0
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.56	...	+1.3
Vanguard SmCpAdmrl	71.50	-1.44	+15.8
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	31.76	-.39	+13.7
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## EDITORIALS

# Raise the age to 21 for buying tobacco

Few 20-somethings or older adults take up cigarette smoking. They understand that the health risks are inevitable and often lethal. Put another way: If people don't get hooked on cigarettes at a young age, they generally don't start to smoke.

How to steer young people away from an addiction that will wreck their health? One way is for Illinois lawmakers to raise to 21 from 18 the legal age to buy tobacco products. That would limit access to cigarettes, and not only for 18-, 19- and 20-year-olds. That's because younger adolescents who smoke need someone to buy, or give them, cigarettes. They're more likely to know an 18-year-old who will do that — often a fellow high school student — than they are to have a 21-year-old running illicit errands for them.



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**Chicago hiked the tobacco-buying age** in July 2016. Early indications suggest a powerful effect. The percentage of Chicagoans 18 to 20 who reported using cigarettes or e-cigarettes fell from 15.2 percent in 2015 to 9.7 percent in 2016. City Hall reports. Dr. Julie Morita, head of the Chicago Department of Public Health, credits much of that drop to the law change. "We were surprised" at the steep decline, she told us.

Now there's a push by state Rep. Camille Lilly, D-Chicago, and state Sen. Julie Morrison, D-Deerfield, to raise the state tobacco-buying age to 21. Count us in.

**We don't recommend this change lightly.** This page long has opposed Nanny State decrees about what adults may eat, or drink, or (legally) smoke. We've spilled thousands of gallons of ink inviting the government to butt out of those personal choices. We don't want a city where people can't have a mega-huge-gulp soda if they want one. Better information (posted calorie counts, for instance) and more education should suffice to help people make healthier choices on their own.

Those who oppose this change point out, rightly, that age 18 brings many adult obligations and privileges. So why not the ability to buy smokes?

Here's why we say no. The legal age for buying alcohol is still 21 in the U.S. for the same reason that the tobacco age should be: protecting the health of young people and helping them avoid terrible decisions that they and their families will regret for decades to come.

We used similar reasoning to support

**Three out of 4 American adults — including 7 in 10 cigarette smokers — favor hiking the minimum age to 21, the CDC reports.**

the statewide ban on smoking in public places a decade ago. Restaurateurs and retailers grumbled about losing customers, as retailers near the state line do when proposals to raise the tobacco age surface. But for us, the overwhelming potential public health benefit tipped the scales.

**Think back to 2008.** That's when Illinois followed Chicago and imposed a ban on indoor public smoking. Opponents hyper-ventilated over the possible impact on restaurants and other businesses. But have you heard anyone reminisce about smoke-choked restaurants, offices, bars? Neither have we. Which employees yearn for the days when they choked on secondhand smoke in their jobs? Many smokers admit that even they prefer smoke-free venues.

Three out of 4 American adults — including 7 in 10 cigarette smokers — favor hiking the minimum age to 21, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. California, New Jersey, Oregon, Hawaii and Maine already have hiked the tobacco-buying age. Nearly 300 cities have, too.

That's not the Nanny State forcing an unpopular change on people. That's lawmakers responding to what citizens want.

### WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Yes, the Wall is a bad idea on just about every policy-wonky (that's me) metric. ... But that is not the point. As (William) Galston points out, the Wall is symbolic. President (Donald) Trump campaigned on it, and wants very much to deliver some symbolic gesture to his supporters to say "I'm building the wall." Congressional Democrats, centrist and never-Trump Republicans can get pretty much whatever they want on policy if they will let the man have his symbolic victory.

So that is the question for our time: Can our politicians let the other side have a purely symbolic victory, in exchange for a large policy victory? Or is denying the president a symbolic victory so important that no quiet policy victory is worth the price?

My main new thought on this, which encourages me to agree with Galston, is this: The Wall will never be built.

I live in California, in which our governor, eight years of the Obama administration, and the Democratic super-majority in the state legislature have been devoted to building a high speed train. To my mind, it is a boondoggle equal to the wall, but ignore that — the entire political power structure in California and the federal government has been behind this thing for 10 years. And yet not one mile of the line yet exists. It took the Union Pacific four years to build the transcontinental railroad from Sacramento to Utah, over the Donner Pass, by hand.

Such is infrastructure in the U.S. today.  
 — **John Cochrane**,  
**The Grumpy Economist**

In late 2017 a growing number of Iranians no longer bought the idea that America was the source of their problems. Instead, they blamed the corrupt and ineffective theocratic government in Tehran. The trigger that began this round of protests came when the government spiked the prices of many daily commodities beyond what most people could afford. There was another compounding effect, however, about which few in America are aware, and which bodes ill for Tehran's foreign political ambitions.

Many of the protesters were motivated by the billions the regime spends on military operations in Iraq, Syria and Lebanon. Some protesters carried signs that said

"Leave Syria, think about us!" and "Death to Hezbollah!" They were upset because their government has been unable to reduce unemployment or raise wages, yet it has still found the means to spend an estimated \$15 billion to \$20 billion annually on military operations in Syria, Iraq, and on Hezbollah in Lebanon.

Unless the government grants considerable freedoms and makes meaningful economic changes, the unrest is only going to grow.

— **Daniel L. Davis**,  
**The National Interest**

The obituary of the Trans-Pacific Partnership was widely written when Donald Trump pulled America out of the 12-country free-trade deal on the third day of his presidency. Yet, a year later and against all the apparent odds, the pact lives on. On Jan. 23 its remaining 11 members met in Tokyo to thrash out the final details of pressing ahead regardless. The plan is to sign a final agreement in March, to come into force in 2019. It will be one of the world's most exacting trade pacts, measured by openness to investment from other members, the protection of patents and environmental safeguards.

The pact's resurrection is one of the more unlikely events in a year of surprises. After all, America accounted for almost two-thirds of the original bloc's \$28 trillion in annual output. Access to the vast American market was what made other members readier to open up their own. Moreover, Trump's retreat had sent a dismal message about the prospects of the open, rules-based order that America had underwritten. The Asia-Pacific region had benefited more than any from that order in recent decades — yet Trump was declaring multilateralism dead and signaling an intention to raise barriers to trade.

In spite of this forbidding backdrop, the dauntless 11 — Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore and Vietnam — have regrouped. In Vietnam in November their leaders sketched out an agreement on the core features of a revised deal. ... For as long as wrenching change is offset by the prospect of a better tomorrow, Asia will fly the flag of global trade even when it is being furled elsewhere.

— **Banyan**, **The Economist**

## Cartoon gallery



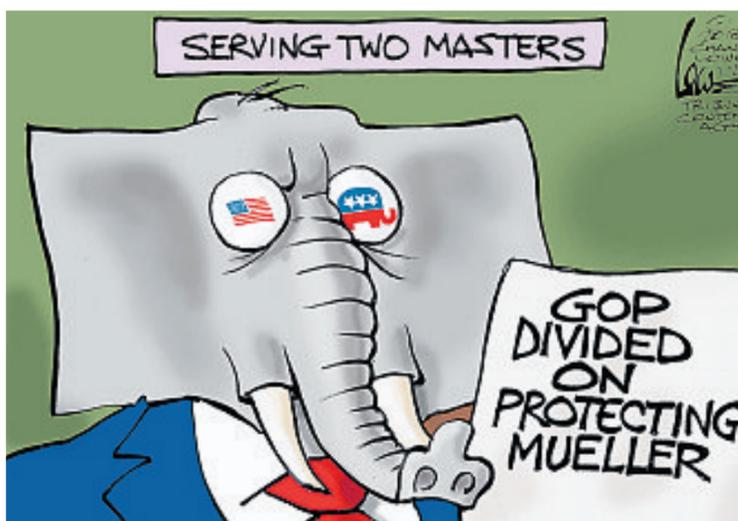
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### To future profit

Companies are awarding bonuses and raises, and the stock market closed at (yet another) record high after the broad tax relief bill was successfully passed. I can't imagine, under any circumstances, how these encouraging results could not be considered great news!

Our family is already feeling the positive impact of the changes made in the tax code. Our daughter and her husband just had their first baby and will be able to take advantage of the doubled child tax credit next year. Throughout our extended family, those who work for big and small businesses alike are witnessing immediate effects.

Companies are investing the anticipated benefits of the new tax law in the form of bonuses, pay raises, capital improvements, and new hires. And that's just the beginning. The true value of this new tax code will become even more evident in the months and years ahead.

The tax code is a work in progress, and there are always things that can be improved upon (further simplification comes to mind). But I would like to thank U.S. Rep. Peter Roskam and all the legislators across the nation who understand that the surest, fastest way to a prosperous America is ultimately decided by letting the people (not the government) keep, spend and invest more of their hard-earned money.

— Mary Plunkett, Wheaton

### Unfettered

In Steve Chapman's Jan. 28 column, "The Trump economy is no great success," he fails to identify the main driver of our economy — the wonderfully innovative and resilient private sector. It was able to overcome increased regulation, taxes and anti-fracking sentiment to generate strong profits and create jobs during the anti-business Obama years.

When Chapman speaks of annual deficits and the positive trend of declining deficits at the end of President Barack Obama's term, he fails to mention the national debt increased by about \$9 trillion during his presidency.

As a small-business owner, I believe in the ability of the private sector to do a much better job in the allocation of resources and creation of opportunities than the government. We now have a president in the Oval Office who clearly understands that.

— Dean W. Kelley, St. Charles

### Bringing the family

My mom's Uncle Adolph came to the U.S. in 1902, at the age of 12. Solo. No English. The oldest male child, sent by his family to pave the way in the U.S. He made it to Chicago and found a community of Polish people, where he could find a place to stay, get a job, and save to bring over his older sister.

Two years later, she came to Chicago, and the two of them worked and saved and brought over other relatives. "Bringing over" family members was the usual story for immigrant families in the 1900s. It was part of the American Dream, to reunite the family in a country that offered freedom and opportunity.

Now it's called "chain migration," as though it's a dirty, conniving practice. How many of today's U.S. citizens descend from people who were "brought over"?

How our collective memory fades!  
— Elaine Truver, Chicago

### Think big

"Make no little plans," said the great architect and Chicago urban planner Daniel Burnham.

So with that in mind, why settle for a controversial 18-hole golf course in Jackson Park and South Shore when we could build a stunning elite polo field that would lure kings, the idle rich, celebrities and playboys from all over the world? It could even employ some of the beleaguered equines that lug tourists along congested Michigan Avenue.

Now that's thinking big!  
— Kenneth Marier, Chicago

### The essential question

Megan Crepeau's article in the Feb. 1 Tribune about Marilyn Hartman's repeated attempts to board airplanes without a ticket shows once again that the most important part of the story continues to be virtually ignored.

Almost all the focus seems to be on how many times the woman has tried to sneak on airplanes, how far she has gotten doing it, her mental state, whether she should be in jail or an institution, and what, if anything, her family has done to help her.

Little seems to be reported about the most serious issue of all, and how that is being addressed. Why has she been able to get through all the levels of security that are supposed to be in place to protect air passengers from those who might do them harm and make sure they have paid for their flights?

Which TSA and airline personnel allowed her to pass through their work stations without proving she had the necessary documentation to show she was entitled to board the flights involved? Hartman may be mentally unstable, but she can certainly fool a lot of other people.

Why aren't we being told about what is being done to hold airport supervisors accountable and about the discipline and retraining being proposed for those who let her get as far as she did?

— Jeffrey L. Stern, Highland Park

### Age limit

Since Illinois politicians are so concerned about 18-year-old adults being able to buy cigarettes, I hope they are equally concerned that these same adults don't join the military until they're 21. That's the only way the proposed bill in Springfield seems fair to me. There are countless 18- to 21-year-olds in Illinois who are bravely fighting for our country right now in the military. To pass a bill like this is a great injustice to their service. When they come back home on leave, they'll be treated like children if they try to buy a pack of cigarettes. Hypocrisy at its finest.

It'd be refreshing to see our representatives actually drafting laws that were focused on children's health instead of trying to take away rights from adults. Take, for example, the vending machines in our high schools that are filled with pop, chips and candy. How about a law requiring only healthy snacks in these vending machines?

Likewise, since our Illinois politicians are so concerned about people of a certain age making good decisions, I propose they begin drafting a law that no politician can serve in office after the age of 40. Research has shown that brain function begins to degrade after the age of 40. How can we trust those older politicians to make the right decisions with their degrading brain function? They don't mind putting restrictions on the freedoms of younger adults, so I'm sure they wouldn't mind putting those same age restrictions on themselves.

— Jeff Jakubik, Lake in the Hills

### Food for thought

When it comes to dealing with Asian carp, we should "think inside the river." Why not encourage Illinois and Mississippi River fisheries to catch black, silver, bighead and grass carp (of course already here in Lake Erie) as a food source from the Illinois River, Mississippi River and their tributaries? This could be a boon for Illinois, other states along the Mississippi River, and sport fishermen in general.

I have been told by people who have eaten Asian carp that it tastes like shrimp and crab. We have only to look at the example of the slimehead, which has a very ugly head that is cut off and is sold as orange roughly, a delicacy. Another example is the ocean dogfish, which is widely accepted for fish and chips in the United Kingdom and Scandinavia.

These various Asian carps could make for a very interesting, challenging and lucrative fishery and, in addition, be a good source for food — a great commercial venture. It could be an answer to Michigan, Illinois and other contiguous states and provinces' problem with Asian carp entering the Great Lakes — a win-win solution.

— Edward Davidson, Holland, Mich.

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## IN PERFORMANCE

# A powerful Higdon premiere

Composer's Low Brass Concerto shows CSO in a sonorous light

BY JOHN VON RHEIN  
Chicago Tribune

Jennifer Higdon has been basking in a week of national attention the likes of which would turn any other classical composer — and a woman composer at that — several shades of envious.

On Sunday, a Naxos album containing three of her recent orchestral works won in the categories best contemporary classical composition and best classical compendium in the 2018 Grammy Awards. Four nights later, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra under Riccardo Muti gave the world premiere of her CSO-commissioned Low Brass Concerto, with four stalwarts of the orchestra's fabled brass choir as soloists.

Not bad for a prolific, Pulitzer Prize-winning figure who is already one of the hottest and most often performed American composers on the planet.

Higdon has written pieces for solo ensemble and orchestra before, but this concerto, presented for the first time Thursday night at Symphony Center, posed a stiffer logistical challenge. How does one liberate a group of two tenor trombones, bass trombone and tuba from its normal supporting role as the harmonic foundation of a modern orchestra? And not just any brass group, mind you, but Chicago's own.

But Higdon has brought off this tricky juggling act with conspicuous success. The new work harnesses the signature strength of trombonists Jay Friedman and Michael Mulcahy and Charles Vernon, and tuba player Gene Pokorny, in imaginative ways that allow them to function as a unit, duo, trio and individual voices, before her 17-minute, single-movement concerto charges to a rousing close.

This is a big-shouldered Chicago brass blowout if there ever was one — beautiful, accessible, inventive, impeccably crafted — drawing not so much on its muscular might as on its ability, less often recognized, to play softly and lyrically.

The brass ensembles of the co-commissioning Philadelphia and Baltimore symphony orchestras no doubt will bring their own character to the piece, but none is likely to do so as commandingly as Friedman and his section



Composer Jennifer Higdon and CSO principal trombonist Jay Friedman at Symphony Center on Thursday.

mates did Thursday, or be given the full-throttle support these players were accorded by Muti and their orchestral colleagues.

The concerto begins with the brass quartet playing a chorale-like entrada, its burnished sonority set within a discreet orchestral frame. There's a frisky all-American quality to the jazzy cross-rhythms that propel the central section, punctuated by thwacks of bundled sticks against a bass drum.

One heard brass and percussion gestures one has heard before: I was reminded more than once of the muscular symphonic gestures of the great William Schuman. Yet the quirky manner in which Higdon tosses ideas between the concertante players and the orchestra is all her own.

No doubt minor adjustments of ensemble and balance will be made in the remaining weekend performances before the CSO and Muti take Higdon's Low Brass Concerto to Carnegie Hall on Feb. 9, to be followed by performances in Florida and North Carolina later on their East Coast tour. The important thing is that Higdon has gifted the orchestral brass world with music enjoyable to play and enjoyable to listen to.

The performers were loudly applauded by the audience and their CSO colleagues. A snappily

dressed Higdon joined in the prolonged ovation and drew kisses from the four soloists and Muti. This was the first Higdon piece the orchestra has played downtown. It surely will not be the last.

The remainder of the program, made up of the rest of the repertory the CSO will be taking on its February tour, was no less rewarding. It brought to the fore different musical styles, different facets of orchestral virtuosity, in contrasting Russian, French and English works of the late 19th and early to mid 20th century.

Muti brought out the subtleties of color in the rich orchestration the young Igor Stravinsky lavished on his 1908 "Scherzo Fantastique," which proclaims its debt to his teacher Rimsky-Korsakov while hinting at the fantastical style of "The Firebird" just down the road.

Subtleties of a more sensuously Gallic sort permeate Ernest Chausson's orchestral song setting "Poeme de l'amour et de la mer" ("Poem of Love and the Sea") of 1893, two songs of a springtime love that has faded. The idiomatic soloist was French mezzo-soprano Clementine Margaine, a fine singer well remembered for her alluring Dulcinee in Lyric Opera's production of Massenet's "Don Quichotte"

last season. With her smoky timbre and deep musical commitment, she refused to allow the music's sense of veiled regret to devolve into unrelieved dolorousness. The sensitive orchestral support was a bonus.

It was back to the sea — or at least the county of Suffolk on the storm-swept coast of eastern England — for the Four Sea Interludes from Britten's opera "Peter Grimes." With Muti honing rhythms to a fine point and keeping instrumental groupings clearly defined within the whole, the vignettes came off to vivid effect: You could all but feel and taste the sea spray against your face.

The program will be repeated at 8 p.m. Saturday at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; \$34-\$221; 312-294-3000, [www.cso.org](http://www.cso.org).

**Note:** We received word of the death on Thursday of the respected Chicago composer and longtime Northwestern University faculty member Alan Stout, 85, at a nursing facility in Chicago. A full obituary appreciation will appear in the Arts + Entertainment section Monday.

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## CRITICS PLANNER



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"Bombshell" is a compelling look at Hedy Lamarr's career.

### MICHAEL PHILLIPS MOVIES

#### "Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story" ★★ 1/2

"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. And 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 bicycle in the dead of night. NR, 129, documentary

### CHRIS JONES THEATER

#### "All My Sons"

In an extraordinarily intense and emotional production of "All My Sons," now at Court Theatre, director Charles Newell approaches Arthur Miller's great American play as if it were a Greek tragedy. Miller was interested in tragedy, of course, and believed in the idea of ordinary Americans as tragic heroes. But that's not what Newell is doing. John Judd's Joe Keller — he who sent out cracked cylinder heads rather than lose his government contracts in World War II — is no flawed everyman. He's a raging rat, caught in a trap of his own design. This staging gives no one any place to hide. *Through Feb. 18 at Court Theatre, 5535 S. Ellis Ave., \$44-\$74 at 773-753-4472 and [www.courttheatre.org](http://www.courttheatre.org)*

### JOHN VON RHEIN CLASSICAL

#### Beyond the Aria

Tenor Lawrence Brownlee takes time out from his performances as Arturo in Lyric Opera's production of Bellini's "I Puritani" to present a cabaret-style recital of classical and popular fare, alongside Ryan Opera Center members Ann Toomey and Anthony Clark Evans. Artistic director Craig Terry is the pianist-emcee. 7:30 p.m. Monday, stage of Jay Pritzker Pavilion (entrance from the Harris Theater), 205 E. Randolph St.; 312-334-7777, [www.harristheaterchicago.org](http://www.harristheaterchicago.org)

### GREG KOT ROCK

#### First Aid Kit, "Ruins"

Klara and Johanna Soderberg of the Swedish duo First Aid Kit moved to Portland, Ore., in January 2017 to work on the album that would become "Ruins" with producer Tucker Martine, who helped assemble a top-notch band that included Wilco drummer Glenn Kotche and ex-REM guitarist Peter Buck. The album toughens up the duo's sound while retaining the Laurel Canyon-pop harmonies that defined its early recordings. "It's a Shame" weeds a lilting melody to a country-soul arrangement, and "Hem of Her Dress" strips everything down until all that's left is the raw ache in the sisters' voices.

## IN PERFORMANCE 'Ragtime' ★★ 1/2

# Gray-cloud ending a puzzling choice

BY CHRIS JONES  
Chicago Tribune

In the final moments of "Ragtime," the beautifully scored 1998 musical from Stephen Flaherty and Lynn Ahrens, there is a vision of how America could be: unified in diversity, learning from history, taking care of all its children. Throughout the two-decade history of this courageous show, that ending has sent audiences out into the night believing in their better selves, and the better self of a nation, even if reality soon was to intrude.

But the director of the Marriott Theatre production, Nick Bowling, has changed that ending, infusing its harmonics with the silent but central presence of the show's most notorious character, a racist named Willie Conklin, the man who destroys the life and family of the show's passionate hero, Colehouse Walker Jr., a role beautifully sung and acted at the Marriott by Nathaniel Stampley.

The motivation, no doubt, was to make the point that bigotry hardly was vanquished at the end of the "Ragtime" era, and that the interracial (and interclass) family in which both the show and the source novel by E.L. Doctorow placed such stock for the future would have a hard road to drive. But it's an example of a nervous director overreaching and not

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trusting the material.

"Ragtime," the story of turn-of-the-century fear and change in America, has always been deeply infused with the pain of Colehouse and his wife, Sarah, her role so beautifully realized here by the emerging Chicago star Katherine Thomas. The show is not suggesting anything is solved, it is merely proffering the only viable solution, then and now. And had the bookwriter, Terrence McNally, and the songwriters, Flaherty and Ahrens, wanted "The Wheels of a Dream" to be overwhelmed by the Willie Conklin nightmare, a nightmare we all well know we still are living, they would have put him in the number.

Bowling's show — which is otherwise good — has enormous difficulty embracing the show's inherent optimism, which probably says as much about the current moment as the artistic choices here being embraced. Even the typically joyous first



LIZ LAUREN PHOTO

Nathaniel Stampley, center, leads the "Ragtime" cast at the Marriott.

entrance of the African-American cast-members, reflecting Colehouse's initial belief in the country of his birth, lacked the usual pizzazz. So does Sarah and Colehouse's rushed courtship, which here feels doomed from the start.

Indeed, if you look at this production as evidence, the wheels only have turned backward since 1998, the year of this musical's Broadway debut. I've always left "Ragtime" infused with renewed optimism — the catharsis of the piece, which played for years in downtown Chicago, is structured that way. This time I felt quite sad. That's a perfectly legitimate thing to wish might happen to an audience in the theater, and Bowling is a very capable and often-compelling director of musicals; I am just not convinced it is fair to this piece.

Still, when you see a "Ragtime" with an excellent cast, there

always is much to appreciate. Aside from Thomas, who is phenomenal, there is a most interesting performance from Benjamin Magnuson as Tateh. It's a piece of acting shorn of the usual Broadway sentimentalism, a deeper-than-usual dive into the immigrant persona, a more honest Tateh, you might say. Kathy Voytko, who plays the middle-aged white woman whose eyes progressively are opened, sings her role and its exquisite ballads with great beauty. But the emotional life of this quietly radical, ultimately revolutionary woman seems muted: There is not enough fire in her deeply seated belief — right, wrong, not the point — that the wheels are spinning in the right direction.

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'WINCHESTER' ★ 1/2

# Helen Mirren vs. ghosts in a pallid gun control debate

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Prior to a screening of "Winchester," a ghost story whose protagonist comes down on the pro-gun control side of the firearms violence debate, a smattering of multiplex attendees and I watched a trailer for the new "Death Wish" (opening March 2). Bruce Willis plays a heroically murderous vigilante who takes the law into his own hands. It's an old story. Billions have been made on it.

I suspect "Winchester" will be a tough sell up against that old story, and all it exemplifies in this gun-crazy land we call home. Ideology aside: "Winchester" isn't very good. You've seen better. I can say that not knowing you personally. It's simply a statistical likelihood.

There really is a Winchester mystery house located in San Jose, Calif., an elaborate, 160-room ode to grief-stricken paranoia. It's full of stairways to nowhere and riddles regarding the rifle heiress who renovated it nonstop for 38 years.

Sarah Winchester believed the spirits of those killed by her late husband's popular weapons needed a place to reside. She inherited millions when her husband died, and her grief compounded after the subsequent death of their infant daughter. Some say the mansion remains haunted, though perhaps only by tourists: Today you can pay \$39 (\$29, ages 6-12) to tour the place. Also you can dine on site at Sarah's Cafe.

Now there's "Winchester," the movie, starring Helen Mirren as Sarah, and co-starring Jason Clarke as the similarly grief-addled San Francisco doctor hired by the Win-



Jason Clarke and Helen Mirren star in "Winchester," about the haunted widow of the rifle-making family.

**MPAA rating:** PG-13 (for violence, disturbing images, drug content, some sexual material and thematic elements)

**Running time:** 1:39

**Opens:** Friday

chester company (this is all made up; it's a movie!) to assess Sarah's mental stability and purge himself of his own supernatural hassles.

Much of "Winchester" relies on Clarke, speaking in low tones, conferring with Mirren, also speaking in low tones, in one of the Winchester mansion's many confining and plushly furnished settings. Going for "grave" and "hushed," the actors' murmurings verge on unintended hypnosis. I can confirm that at least two people sitting near me took the bait and were indeed getting very, very sleepy.

The directors are the Spierig brothers, Peter and Michael, who made "Daybreakers," "Predestination" and the recent, derided "Jigsaw." Nothing so brazenly grisly here; this is tamer, PG-13 stuff. There are various soul-inhabiting ghosts swirling around, notably that of a Confeder-

ate soldier whose brothers were taken from him by Union soldiers bearing a forerunner of the famed Winchester repeating action rifle.

The primary repeated action in "Winchester," however, is the grinding repetition of the dreaded jump scare. Clarke's character can't turn a single corner in this nutty maze of a mansion without someone appearing SUDDENLY right in his FACE, AGAIN. The Spierigs shoot the bulk of their picture in scrunched-up telephoto compositions, piling the actors on top of each other. Photographed mostly on Australian soundstages, with Australian actors approximating a turn-of-the-century performance style better suited to a turn-of-the-century stage melodrama, "Winchester" pauses now and then for Mirren's Sarah to expound on the grim slaughter that created her late husband's fortune. You may or may not like the way this movie would vote, if it could. But as a period ghost story, it's pretty pallid.

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## ASK AMY

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## They want alone time with grandkids

**Dear Amy:** We live out of town from our son, daughter-in-law and our three precious grandchildren. We fly to their town monthly to see them.

Our daughter-in-law's mother lives around the corner. She is divorced and her life is completely devoted to her daughter, our son and the grandchildren.

She has no boundaries and gives us no time alone with the kids when we visit. I once tried to talk with her about it, but she ignored my thoughts.

Our son and daughter-in-law won't address this.

I once asked if we could spend some time alone with the grandchildren, and our DIL replied with a nasty text saying how dare I expect her mom to sit home alone while we're all together when visiting.

She is with them all weekend — every week.

Our grandkids come to visit us one or two times a year and that is all the alone time we have.

We've tried to discuss this with our son privately, but he gets defensive.

We fear risking an estrangement if we bring this up again. Any thoughts on how we can handle this?

— Sad and Disheartened Grandparents

**Dear Sad:** Because this grandmother is so intimately involved in this family's life, a grandchildren extraction could be extremely difficult. Presumably the couple relies on her for lots of help with the children. You may also assume that they either like her very much and value her presence in their lives, or they need/want the help so much that they are willing to tolerate her

boundary-leaping omnipresence.

Because your daughter-in-law was so rude and hostile toward your idea of seeing the children on their own — and your son is so disappointingly passive — if you want to risk one more "ask," you should appeal directly to the grandmother. Act as if you are asking her permission, and she might grant it.

Say, "We enjoy seeing you during our visits, but we'd also love to spend some alone time with just us and the kids. Would you mind if we took them out by ourselves one afternoon while we're here? We'd really appreciate it."

**Dear Amy:** Last week, my favorite uncle passed away unexpectedly. I am not on speaking terms with his daughter, my cousin.

She has a long history of verbally degrading me, then insisting I'm "too sensitive" or "mentally unstable" when I get upset. I believe this stems from her own insecurity issues, but after 30 years, I had to put up some boundaries for my own well-being.

I maintained a positive relationship with her parents. I attended my uncle's funeral, was polite to my cousin and expressed my condolences to her.

The morning before the funeral, I was still Facebook friends with my uncle.

Sometime after the funeral, I was deleted from my uncle's Facebook friend list and all of our mutual posts were wiped out. I suspect my cousin did this, and I appear to be the only family member eliminated — even my husband is still on his "friends" list.

While I understand the important memories are the ones I carry with me, I can't help but feel incredibly hurt. I texted my cousin asking to be added back, but I have heard nothing. I don't want to bother my aunt with this because she is dealing with her own grief right now, and I don't want to strain my relationship with her. Should I cut my losses and try to move on from here? Are there options I am missing?

— Upset

**Dear Upset:** If your cousin controls your late uncle's Facebook page, I don't think there is any way to be added back without her approving it. She sounds petty and punitive. Stay in touch with your aunt, but don't ask her to intervene.

I hope you will anchor now to the laudable and loving relationship you had with your uncle, and let these positive memories sustain you. This might be the best you can do.

**Dear Amy:** Regarding how to address in-laws, before I married, my future mother-in-law addressed the name issue by saying, "If your parents weren't alive, I'd hope you would call us 'Mom and Dad,' but since they are, it would be disrespectful for us to expect you to call us anything but Sue and Bob."

I was always grateful for her to have solved this dilemma for me before it even became an issue.

— Grateful DIL

**Dear Grateful:** This is ideal.

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## IN PERFORMANCE

# Trio evolves with new pianist

BY HOWARD REICH  
Chicago Tribune

At its best, the Bad Plus can achieve considerable rhythmic thrust, technical elan and substantive music-making.

At other moments, the long-running trio can slip into the clichés that have made it famous: simplistic riffs, overstated dynamics, plenty of repetition and a flair for the obvious.

Both facets of this band's work came into play Thursday night at 210 Live in Highwood, though its better angels had the upper hand, thanks partly to the work of the trio's new pianist, Orrin Evans. Taking the place of Ethan Iverson, Evans generated some of the sonic power and deep-into-the-keys virtuosity that long have distinguished his work.

And though Evans clearly didn't tap all the prowess at his fingertips, sticking instead to the Bad Plus' stripped-down aesthetic, he produced enough heat to inspire heightened intensity from bassist Reid Anderson and drummer Dave King.

Most of the evening's repertoire was devoted to music from the band's newest album, "Never Stop II," and the show's best work raised hopes that as the Bad Plus evolves, it can be more jazz than pop, more art than entertainment.

Certainly the trio headed that way as the evening progressed, particularly after two lightweight openers: Anderson's "Big Eater," which was not exactly a model of subtlety, and King's "Keep the Bugs Off Your Glass and the Bears Off Your Ass" (if only this drooping work had conveyed some of the humor of its title).

Then, again, these two pieces could be considered curtain-raisers, a nonconfrontational way for the Bad Plus to introduce its new configuration to its audience.

Matters became more serious



Orrin Evans, from left, Reid Anderson and Dave King of the Bad Plus at 210 Live in Highwood on Thursday.



Pianist Evans is the newest member of the group, which features compositions by all three members.

when the trio launched into a succession of compositions from "Never Stop II," the rolling rhythms that opened Anderson's "Hurricane Birds" setting the stage for Evans' whirring right-hand lines and massive block chords. Whenever Evans conjured this much sound and velocity, the trio was well worth hearing. When everyone cut back to jazz-tinged minimalism, the evening was back in trance mode.

If the sledgehammer downbeats of King's "1983 Regional All-Star" did not speak of high craft, all three musicians' work in Evans' "Boffadem" surely did. Anderson's warmly lyrical opening bass solo, King's delicate brush work and Evans' pianissimo passages showed what this

trio can achieve when it chooses not to hit listeners over the head.

King's "Lean in the Archway" proved that the Bad Plus can produce something more meaningful than mere volume: energy. As the piece developed, the three musicians created an increasingly complex web of sound, textures thickening as rhythmic momentum gathered. The power and speed that King attained in his solo made one wish he would lean in this direction more often.

The trio offered welcome elements of surprise in Evans' "Commitment," its abrupt changes of mood, tone and tempo leaving listeners not knowing what's next (always a good thing). Bassist Anderson's coda represented another left turn, proving that the Bad Plus

can transcend predictability when so inclined.

Ultimately, Evans and the band's two veterans seem to be building a new, common language, one influenced both by the Bad Plus' history and by Evans' individualistic response to it.

If this means that the trio will veer from its comfortable formulas, everyone will benefit.

*The Bad Plus plays at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Old Town School of Folk Music's Maurer Concert Hall, 4544 N. Lincoln Ave.; \$38; 773-728-6000 or www.oldtownschool.org.*

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# Longtime theater critic Weiss out at Sun-Times

Will continue working at Channel 11, she says

BY CHRIS JONES  
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After more than 33 years and an eye-popping 13,000 reviews, the long-standing Chicago theater critic Hedy Weiss has parted company with the Chicago Sun-Times.

The paper told staffers that Friday was to be Weiss' last day of work, although it claimed an ongoing

commitment to arts coverage.

Weiss said she had been laid off from the paper but that she planned to continue to review for WTTW-Ch.

11, where she has long been a contributor. She also said her final review for the Sun-Times had been Thursday night's review of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

Weiss' tenure was marked by thousands of mostly supportive reviews and profiles, the majority of Chicago theater and dance performances and performers, but more recently of other branches of the performing arts. There also were a number of controversial reviews, many of which were bitterly opposed by some members of the local theater community.

In that, as in other ways, Weiss fit into the long Chicago tradition of powerful, hard-working and famously independent women writing about the arts, without compromise or apology. She said she now planned to "make (her) garden grow" in other ways, while still going regularly to the theater. And, she said, finally catching up on her sleep.

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# WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



Jeanté Godlock

**“The Simone Biles Story: Courage to Soar”** (7 p.m., 10:02 p.m., 1 a.m., Lifetime): Based on a book co-written by Simone Biles, this new TV movie chronicles the years of grueling work and painful sacrifices the young gymnast (played by Jeanté Godlock) endured on a path to winning 19 Olympic and World Championship medals, cementing her position as one of the greatest gymnasts of all time.

**“Gifted”** (7 p.m., 3:30 a.m., HBO): On her first day of grade school, 7-year-old Tampa schoolgirl Mary Adler (McKenna Grace) shows clear signs of being a math prodigy and is offered a scholarship to an elite private school, but her uncle and guardian, Frank (Chris Evans), turns it down, fearing that it would keep Mary from enjoying a normal childhood, in Marc Webb’s engaging 2017 dramedy.

**“NFL Honors”** (8 p.m., NBC): On the eve of Super Bowl LII in Minneapolis, Minnesota, the NFL pays homage to its top players from the 2017 season. Among the coveted awards being doled out will be those for the most valuable player, rookie of the year (offense and defense), and both the offensive and defensive players of the year. The winner of the prestigious Walter Payton Man of the Year Award, which honors both on and off the field accomplishments, will also be handed out.

**“Planet Earth: Blue Planet II”** (8 p.m., 11:30 p.m., BBCA): A new episode called “Coral Reefs” explores an underwater feature that’s home to roughly a quarter of marine species, who thrive in these undersea “mega-cities.” Among other highlights, this episode examines the surprisingly sophisticated behavior of coral groupers, which suggests that some aspects of their intelligence might rival that of chimpanzees.

**“My Secret Valentine”** (8 p.m., Hallmark): In this new 2018 romance, Hallmark regular Lacey Chabert stars as Chloe, the manager of a busy Portland bistro, who takes a break to visit her family’s winery. While there, she’s dismayed to learn that her dad (Peter MacNeill) is getting ready to retire, and he’s considering selling the winery to a large New York beverage company. She’s initially chilly to company rep Seth Anderson (Andrew W. Walker), but as time passes she starts to fall under his charm and vice versa.

**“Sleepless”** (8 p.m., Showtime): Academy Award winner Jamie Foxx (“Ray”) had a rare career misfire with this 2017 crime drama that casts him as one of a pair of Las Vegas vice cops who steal a shipment of mob-related cocaine, then volunteer to investigate the robbery in order to cover up their own involvement in it. Michelle Monaghan, Dermot Mulroney, Scoot McNairy, T.I., Gabrielle Union and David Harbour also star in the film, which barely recouped its modest \$30 million production budget.

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	<b>NBC</b> 5	Saturday Night Live (N) © 卐	NFL Honors Honoring the best performances from the 2017 season. (N) © 卐			NBC 5 News at 10pm (N)		
	<b>ABC</b> 7	NBA Countdown (N) © 卐	NBA Basketball: Houston Rockets at Cleveland Cavaliers. (N) (Live)			Eyewitness News (N) ▶		
	<b>WGN</b> 9	49th NAACP Image Awards © 卐				WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live) © 卐	Man of the People (N)	
	<b>Antenna</b> 9.2	Morning	McHale	Knows Best	Jack Benny	Burns/Allen	Jeannie	Bewitched
	<b>This TV</b> 9.3	The Magnificent Seven	The Magnificent Seven	The Young Riders ©	Y’ng Rider ▶			
	<b>PBS</b> 11	800 Words (N) ©	Father Brown: “The Paradise of Thieves.” ©	Death in Paradise ©	Victoria-Master ▶			
	<b>The U</b> 26.1	King of Hill	King of Hill	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Burgers
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	<b>FOX</b> 32	The Resident: “Pilot.” © 卐	The Resident: “Independence Day.” © 卐	Fox 32 News (N)	Inside the Bears	Hell’s Kitchen ▶		
	<b>Ion</b> 38	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law-SVU ▶			
	<b>Telem</b> 44	▲ Ice Age: Continental Drift	The Wolverine (PG-13/13) **	Hugh Jackman. ©	Noticiero			
	<b>CW</b> 50	AHL Hockey: Rockford IceHogs at Chicago Wolves. (N) (Live)			Crimes ▶			
	<b>UniMas</b> 60	▲ (6) El analfabeto (‘60)	A Good Day to Die Hard (R,‘13) **	▲ Bruce Willis.	Cash ***			
	<b>WJYS</b> 62	Paid Prog.	Moses	Bishop	Songs and	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Ultimate
	<b>Univ</b> 66	▲ (6:55) Fútbol Mexicano Primera División (N) (Live)	Fútbol Mexicano Primera División (N) ▶					
	<b>AE</b>	Live PD: Rewind (N) ©	Live PD: “Live PD -- 02.03.18.” (N) (Live) © ▶					
	<b>AMC</b>	▲ (6) The Day After Tomorrow (‘04) **	The Book of Eli (R,‘10) **	Denzel Washington. © ▶				
<b>ANIM</b>	The Dog Bowl (N)	Pit Bulls and Parolees (N)	(9:02) The Vet Life (Season Premiere) (N)	Pit Bulls ▶				
<b>BBCA</b>	Planet Earth: Life: “Fish.”	Planet Earth: Blue Planet II (N) ©	Planet Earth: Life ©					
<b>BET</b>	▲ The Single (7:32) This Christmas (PG-13/07) **	Delroy Lindo, Idris Elba. ©	Super Bo.					
<b>BIGTEN</b>	College Wrestling: Ohio State at Penn State. (N) ©	The BIG Show (N) ©	Journey (N)					
<b>BRAVO</b>	Fifty Shades of Grey (R,‘15) **	Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan. ©	Fifty Shades of Grey ** ▶					
<b>CLTV</b>	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	Chic.Best	Weekend	News (N)	
<b>CNBC</b>	Shark Tank ©	Shark Tank ©	American Greed ©	Greedy ▶				
<b>CNN</b>	CNN Newsroom (N)	The Nineties: “The One About TV.” ©	Eighties ▶					
<b>COM</b>	▲ (6:30) Tammy (R,‘14) * Melissa McCarthy. ©	Office Space (R,‘99) ** © ▶						
<b>DISC</b>	Naked and Afraid: “Shapes of Water.” (N) ©		Afraid ▶					
<b>DISN</b>	Spy Kids: All the Time	K.C. Under.	K.C. Under.	Andi Mack	Disney			
<b>E!</b>	▲ (5:30) Couples Retreat	Couples Retreat (PG-13/09) **	Vince Vaughn, Jason Bateman. ©					
<b>ESPN</b>	College Basketball: Michigan State at Indiana. (N) (Live)	Boxing (N) ▶						
<b>ESPN2</b>	College Basketball: Iowa State at Baylor. (N) (Live)	College Basketball (N) ▶						
<b>FNC</b>	Watters’ World (N) ©	Justice With Jeanine (N)	Greg Gutfeld (N)	Watters ▶				
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<b>FREE</b>	▲ Captain America-Avgr	(8:15) The Goonies (PG,‘85) ***	Sean Astin, Josh Brolin. © ▶					
<b>FX</b>	The Martian (PG-13/15) ***	Matt Damon, Jessica Chastain. ©	Gianni Ver					
<b>HALL</b>	▲ (6) A Dash of Love (‘17)	My Secret Valentine (NR,‘18)	Lacey Chabert. ©	Golden Girls				
<b>HGTV</b>	Fixer Upper ©	Fixer Upper ©	House Hunters Reno (N)	Log Cabin				
<b>HIST</b>	Apollo 13 (PG,‘95) ***	Tom Hanks, Bill Paxton. ©	Days That ▶					
<b>HLN</b>	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic		
<b>IFC</b>	Pineapple Express (R,‘08) **	Seth Rogen, James Franco. ©	Pineapple Express ** ▶					
<b>LIFE</b>	The Simone Biles Story: Courage to Soar (NR,‘18)	Simone Biles (N)	Simone ▶					
<b>MSNBC</b>	The Last Word	The 11th Hour	Deadline: White House (N)	Hardball (N)				
<b>MTV</b>	▲ (6) Walking Tall (‘04) **	Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby (PG-13/06) ** ©						
<b>NBCSCH</b>	▲ Ski Jumping (Tape)	Football	Pregame (N)	NHL Hockey: Blackhawks at Flames (N) ▶				
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<b>OVATION</b>	▲ (6) A League of Their Own (PG,‘92) ***	Tom Hanks.	Artful Detective (Season Premiere) (N)	Deep Blue ▶				
<b>OWN</b>	Iyanla, Fix My Life ©	My 600-Lb. Life ©	My 600-Lb. Life ©	Iyanla ▶				
<b>OXY</b>	Killer Couples ©	Aaron Hernandez, McNair	Mysteries & Scandals ©	Snapped ▶				
<b>PARMT</b>	▲ Concussion	Forrest Gump (PG-13,‘94) ****	Tom Hanks, Robin Wright. © ▶					
<b>SYFY</b>	▲ G.I. Joe: Cobra	Jeepers Creepers 2 (R,‘03) **	Ray Wise. ©	Futurama				
<b>TBS</b>	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Full Frontal		
<b>TCM</b>	A River Runs Through It (PG,‘92) ***	Craig Sheffer.	(9:15) Bound for Glory (PG,‘76) ***					
<b>TLC</b>	Say Yes to the Dress (N)	Say Yes: SOS (N)	Say Yes to the Dress ©	Say Yes ▶				
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<b>TNT</b>	The Hunger Games (PG-13,‘12) ***	Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson. ©	Catch Fire ▶					
<b>TOON</b>	Cleveland	Family Guy	Rick, Morty	Rick, Morty	Family Guy	Dragon (N)	Dragon (N)	
<b>TRAV</b>	Ghost Adventures ©	Ghost Adventures (N) ©	The Dead Files (Season Premiere) (N) ©	Dead Files ▶				
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<b>USA</b>	▲ (6) The Blind Side (PG-13,‘09) ***	Sandra Bullock.	Falling Water (N) ©	Blind Side ▶				
<b>VH1</b>	The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 1 (PG-13,‘11) ** ©		Twilight Saga-2 ▶					
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<b>WGN America</b>	Blue Bloods ©	Blue Bloods ©	Bellevue: “Pilot.” ©	Bellevue ▶				
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	<b>HBO2</b>	2 Dope Queens ©	High Main.	REAL Sports Gumbel	La La Land (‘16) *** ▶			
	<b>MAX</b>	Dances With Wolves (PG-13,‘90) ****	Kevin Costner, Mary McDonnell. ©	Maverick ▶				
	<b>SHO</b>	The Chi: “Quaking Grass.”	Sleepless (R,‘17) **	Jamie Foxx.	The Girl on the Train ** ▶			
	<b>STARZ</b>	The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring (PG-13,‘01) ***	Elijah Wood.	Counter ▶				
<b>STZNC</b>	(7:09) Psycho (R,‘60) ****	Anthony Perkins.	Spartacus: Blood & Sand	Down Earth ▶				

# ‘Girlfriends’ puts women front and center on Acorn

BY LYNN ELBER  
Associated Press

PASADENA, Calif. — The women of “Girlfriends” are having a very rough go of it, and that’s just in the first episode.

Miranda Richardson’s Sue is dumped by her lover and the magazine she helped him build. Phyllis Logan’s Linda is abruptly widowed and may be broke. Zoe Wanamaker’s Gail is losing a husband to divorce and gaining her ex-con son.

“It’s high farce what happens on one day to all these people, who are sort of thrown together in the storm,” Richardson said during a recent visit to Southern California.

But there’s pain to be had in Acorn TV’s six-episode “Girlfriends,” which neatly combines drama, humor and mystery, and significantly, is delivered up by three veteran actresses. Netflix’s Jane Fonda-Lily Tomlin series “Grace and Frankie” aside, there are few Hollywood TV or movie vehicles that give full voice to mature women and their experiences.

So it’s up to the U.K.’s “Girlfriends” to help fill the void. The series, from prolific English writer-director Kay Mellor, debuted here courtesy of the British-centric Acorn streaming service. The show is something of an anomaly in its native land: When its trio of stars ages 50-plus was announced, it made the evening news.

There are younger characters, male and female, in “Girlfriends,” including Matthew Lewis (Neville Longbottom in the “Harry Potter” movie franchise) as Gail’s son.

But Lewis knows his character’s place in the scheme of things. He recalled series mastermind Mellor discussing TV’s habit of relegating female characters

to serving as the mothers, wives or secretaries of the men who carry the story.

“She said, ‘We wanted to make a show where, no, they were the focus, and it was the men that were supporting roles,’” Lewis said during a recent Q&A with TV critics.

As a well-meaning if wayward son and single dad, he gets a chance to shine in the role — literally, since his character, Tom, sports a glossy fake tan to make it appear he’s back from an island vacation, not the slammer.

But center ring is owned by the three respected actresses who play long-time friends reunited by their woes. Richardson’s credits range from “The Crying Game” to “Black Adder II” to the “Harry Potter” role of Rita Skeeter. Logan played the admirable housekeeper Mrs. Hughes in “Downton Abbey.” (Yes, she’d love to see the talked-about movie happen but has no update to offer.) Wanamaker appeared in “Agatha Christie’s Poirot” and “Mr. Selfridge.”

Another sign it’s a British show: The women look attractive and real.

“It would be ludicrous if a woman meant to be working class was looking like she’d Botox-ed off her face,” Logan said in an interview, referring to the injectable potion that reduces facial movement and thus lines. “It’s not believable, is it?”

The actresses make the most of their roles, from occasional bits of slapstick to moments of vulnerability. All revolves around the small indignities of aging — those darn wrinkles, gray hair — and the bigger life crises that don’t discriminate by decade.

For Richardson’s Sue, there’s a memorable hear-me-roar moment in which she bravely confronts her disloyal partner and then discovers the makeup she applied while driving is at absurd, kabuki face-paint levels.

“She thinks she knows what she’s going to say and how she’s going to do it, and she’s holding it together,” Richardson said in an interview. “And she’s betrayed herself. Awful, awful.”

As her glossy life crumbles, type-A Sue has a lot to learn.

“I don’t think she’s



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Zoe Wanamaker, from left, Miranda Richardson and Phyllis Logan in “Girlfriends.”

unkind, but maybe she needs to get kinder to herself. Instead of making pronouncements to other people, ‘you should do this,’ she needs to look after

herself,” Richardson said. Logan, who pulled off an impressive kitchen pratfall with a stuntwoman’s help, is game for anything her character may face if

there’s a second season of “Girlfriends.” Or almost anything.

“If I was asked to be in a bikini, I might draw the line,” she said, smiling.

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**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Collaborate with your partner today and tomorrow to resolve a structural problem. Postpone distractions. Listen, confess your worries and make a plan together.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 7. Abundant work and simultaneous distractions could feel stressful. Avoid gossip or rumors. Maintain healthy fitness and health practices.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 6. A spontaneous move could work today, but probably not for love or money. Relax and discuss plans and options with family. Wait for better conditions.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 7. Coordinate home renovations and authorize improvements. Research options to narrow your choices, and find a solution that supports your family.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. Continue to take the high road with communications. Study the situation over the next two days. Don't gamble or gossip. Focus on making your deadline.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. It's easy to blow the budget. Waste not, want not. Keep long-term goals in mind. Look for fresh income sources. Talk about what you love.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Be careful when practicing new skills. Old assumptions get challenged. Use common sense, especially with someone who thinks differently than you. Show leadership.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 6. Review and revise your plans for the future. Are you having enough fun? Consider what you love and strategize for more. Organize your projects.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. You have more friends than you realized. Enjoy parties, gatherings and events without over-indulging. Romance could interfere with business.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Avoid provoking authorities. Discuss career options with trusted advisors and loved ones before crafting your plan. Follow the trail where money and passion intersect.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 7. Research and investigative exploration can bear fruitful results with patience. Keep a respectful tone. Avoid risk or expense. Make your deadline to win.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Follow the rules closely, especially with financial transactions. Coordinate plans with your partner. Misunderstandings spark easily; maintain patience and compassion.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

**The Argyle Sweater** By Scott Hilburn



**Bliss** By Harry Bliss



**Bridge**

North-South vulnerable, South deals

**North**  
 ♠ J5  
 ♥ Q9  
 ♦ AQ43  
 ♣ J9865

**East**  
 ♠ K10964  
 ♥ J65  
 ♦ 65  
 ♣ 1042

**South**  
 ♠ A832  
 ♥ AK10843  
 ♦ J8  
 ♣ K

West chose a terrific time to lead a trump. This lead prevented South from ducking a spade and then ruffing a spade for his tenth trick, assuming a winning finesse in diamonds. Declarer would now have to find a way to score a club trick in order to succeed.

The opening lead went to dummy's nine, East's jack, and declarer's ace. South led the king of clubs from his hand,

won by West, who persevered with another trump. Dummy's queen won this performance, and declarer led the jack of clubs from dummy, discarding a spade as West won with the queen. The spade shift went to the jack, king, and ace.

**The bidding:**

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All pass		

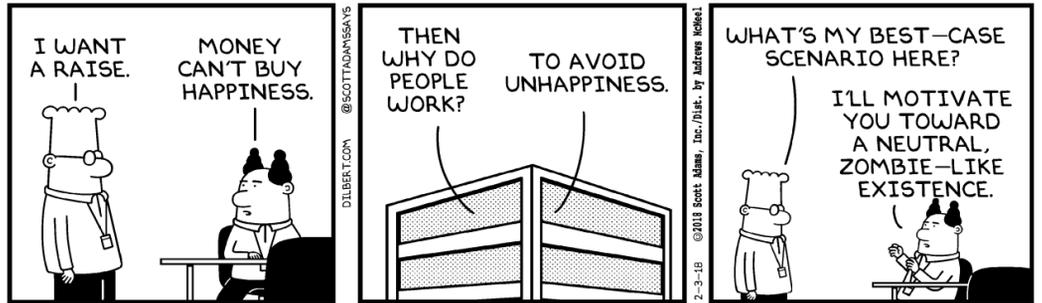
**Opening lead: Two of ♥**

South now drew the last trump and led the jack of diamonds, covered by the king and won with dummy's ace. When the 10 of clubs appeared on the next club, South ruffed, crossed back to dummy with the queen of diamonds, and discarded two spades on the eight and six of clubs. Making five! Oddly, West might have prevented the overtrick by not covering the jack of diamonds. Declarer would take a third diamond trick, but no club tricks. South could still get the overtrick by overtaking the jack of diamonds with the queen and leading a club, but that would be a bizarre play.

Speaking of strange plays, West could have defeated the contract by leading the king of diamonds after winning the ace of clubs! Readers can have fun following South's choices after that play.

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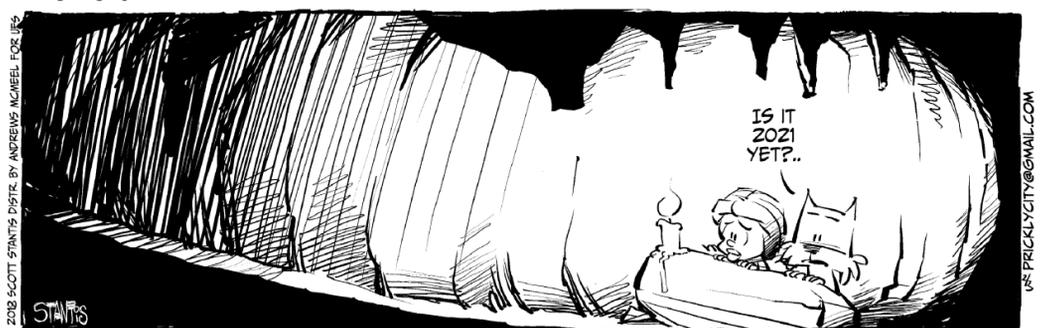
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## Urlacher makes convincing case

Iconic Bears linebacker deserves Hall induction after redefining position



**DAVID HAUGH**  
*In the Wake of the News*

**PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME Class of 2018 announcement** 8 p.m. Saturday, NBC-5  
■ Urlacher's competition: A list of the other Hall finalists. **Page 4**

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — For a second, forget whether Brian Urlacher will go into the Pro Football Hall of Fame on the first ballot.

A less pressing question on the minds of many Chicagoans is easier to answer: Whenever Urlacher gets enshrined, will the bronze bust in Canton, Ohio, reflect him with or without hair that returned thanks to a recent transplant?

"If I go in, there will be no hair on the bust," said Urlacher, the face on all those "Restore" billboards along I-294. "I played my whole career bald, so it would be bald. That would be a nice problem to have."

Urlacher will find out Saturday, when a panel of 48 voters meets to select five players among 15 finalists for the 2018 Hall of Fame class. In 13 seasons for the Bears from 2000 to 2012,

Urlacher revolutionized the middle linebacker position in coach Lovie Smith's Cover-2 defense. If anybody deserves induction in his first year of eligibility, it is the franchise's most significant player in the post-1985 era.

Not that Urlacher gets caught up with labels or calendars.

"When people say you're a Hall of Famer, they don't always

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"It'd be sweet to go in on first ballot, but any time would be awesome," Brian Urlacher said of potentially joining the Hall of Fame.

### BULLS

## Portis focusing on future, not past

Power forward 'over' talking about incident with departed Mirotic

By **K.C. JOHNSON**  
Chicago Tribune

LOS ANGELES — Bobby Portis has long held the same stance.

As soon as he publicly apologized to Nikola Mirotic and the Bulls on Oct. 21, four days after he broke two of Mirotic's facial bones and concussed him with a punch, Portis moved forward.

So his answers Friday to questions asking him to look back, now that Mirotic has been traded to the Pelicans and Portis remains part of the Bulls' rebuilding core, were as awkward as the two players' lone attempt at off-court interaction.

"We tried to be professional, make things work on the court — we had great chemistry playing the high-low game," Portis said after practice at USC. "Off the court, we never talked. We played cards (on the plane) one time. It was kind of awkward, so after that we didn't play anymore."

The Bulls too will move forward without Mirotic, their leading scorer. With 31 games left and executive vice president John Paxson emphasizing that players such as Paul Zipser, Cristiano Felicio and Cameron Payne need playing time down the stretch, the rebuild has gotten even more real.

Just don't mention that "T-word."

"As a basketball player, you're not saying, 'Oh, we're going to tank to get picks,'" Portis said. "(We will) follow the coach's game plan and try to do our jobs each day."

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*"The thing I have learned in the NFL is you never really know what to expect."*

— Brian Hoyer



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On his second tour of duty with the Patriots, quarterback Brian Hoyer (2) will back up Tom Brady in the Super Bowl on Sunday in Minneapolis.

# Comeback route

Well-traveled Hoyer back as Pats backup and ready to relieve Brady if needed

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — How bad was Tom Brady's right thumb injury before the AFC championship game Jan. 21? Well, Brian Hoyer drove to Gillette Stadium that morning thinking there was a chance he would need to play.

Brady managed to do fine with 12 stitches between the thumb and palm of his hand, and they since have been removed. But the former Bears quarterback is poised and ready as the No. 2 for Super Bowl LII on Sunday at U.S.



**BRAD BIGGS**  
*On the Super Bowl*

Bank Stadium.

It has been a wild ride for Hoyer, who recalled a 15-minute pregame chat with longtime friend Nick Foles before the 49ers faced the Eagles at Lincoln Financial Field back on Oct. 29. Hoyer had lost his starting job in San Francisco to rookie C.J. Beathard, and Foles was toiling behind MVP candidate Carson Wentz. Their friendship dated to their days at Michigan State, where Foles spent one season as Hoyer's backup before transferring to



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5:30 p.m. Sunday in Minneapolis, NBC-5, WSCR-AM 670  
■ Patriots and former Illini offensive lineman Ted Karras keeps his family's NFL tradition alive. **Page 3**  
■ Eagles snapper Chris Lovato began with the Bears. **Page 3**

Arizona.

The next day the 49ers acquired Jimmy Garoppolo from the Patriots and cut Hoyer. He subsequently signed with the Patriots to return to New England, where he served as Brady's backup from 2009-11. Consider that midway through the 2016 season, Hoyer was on injured reserve with the Bears, and midway through the 2017 season he joined the Patriots. Six weeks after the Garoppolo trade, Wentz

suffered a season-ending knee injury, and now the former Spartans teammates can meet again in pregame on a much bigger stage.

While the Bears guaranteed \$18.5 million to Mike Glennon last March, Hoyer signed a two-year, \$12 million contract with the 49ers that included \$9.85 million guaranteed. Bears general manager Ryan Pace didn't

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**PAUL SULLIVAN**  
*On baseball*

## Spring ball in jeopardy only in one agent's mind

Threatens boycott, but no evidence it resonates with too many players

Imagine the emptiness of a spring training without baseball.

According to a prominent agent, that scenario could happen, suggesting it might be the only way for players to force owners to start spending more in free agency.

More than 100 free agents remain available a week and a half before camps open.

Brodie Van Wageningen, the co-head of Creative Artists Agency, argued in a statement Friday that players might have to boycott spring training to send a message to owners about alleged collusion.

"There is a rising tide among players for radical change," Van Wageningen wrote. "A fight is brewing and it may begin with one, maybe two and perhaps 1,200 willing to follow. A boycott of spring training may be a starting point if behavior doesn't change."

Van Wageningen said players are "outraged," whether they're free agents or not, and claimed they're "uniting in a way not seen since 1994." That was the year players walked out during the season and watched the postseason get canceled. They didn't return until late in spring training in 1995 after owners used replacement players in exhibition games, a failed attempt to break the union.

Baseball hasn't had a work stoppage since, and a new collective bargaining agreement was reached just last year. While

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## BULLS

## BULLS NOTES

## Little to be asked of newest arrivals

By K.C. JOHNSON  
Chicago Tribune

LOS ANGELES — Acquired in Thursday's Nikola Mirotic trade with the Pelicans, Omer Asik and Jameer Nelson were scheduled to take their physicals here Friday afternoon, arriving after the Bulls had practice at USC.

Executive vice president John Paxson said Thursday that "playing time will not be a premium for them given our direction." With the trade deadline this Thursday, it's likely the Bulls won't waive Tony Allen until it's determined whether his expiring salary can be used in another deal.

"Omer is the only contract that goes beyond this year," Paxson said Thursday. "We're going to expect them to be professional. A guy like Jameer, who has been a solid pro all of his career, there's value in having him around the team. So we're going to be patient."

Asik's contract carries only a \$3 million guarantee for 2019-20, so he could become a trade chip down the road or a stretch waiver candidate. That would allow the Bulls to spread his salary-cap hit over several seasons.

"A few years ago, (expiring) contracts were very valuable (in trade talks), and that kind of went by the wayside when the (salary-cap) spike hit," Paxson said. "Those types of contracts are going to become valuable again given that everything has leveled out and there are so many teams in the (luxury) tax going forward."

"We know Omer very well. We know he's a great teammate and will be a terrific pro for us."

**No go:** Lauri Markkanen will miss his second straight game

## BULLS AT CLIPPERS

TV/radio: 2:30 p.m., NBCSCH, WSCR-670 AM.

**Storylines:** The new-look Bulls face the new-look Clippers. Nikola Mirotic and Blake Griffin both are gone. The Clippers lost their first game at home to the Trail Blazers after trading Griffin to the Pistons. **Trending:** The Bulls have lost five straight overall and their last three games to the Clippers. Bobby Portis is averaging career highs of 12.1 points and 6.2 rebounds and will get a bigger role with Mirotic gone.

Saturday as he remains in Chicago.

The team said he and his wife welcomed their first child, a boy. Markkanen posted a picture of him holding a newborn's hand on his Instagram account.

Coach Fred Hoiberg said there's a chance that Markkanen will rejoin the team before Monday's game in Sacramento, but guard Kris Dunn is out for the remainder of the trip despite feeling better Friday. Dunn hasn't played since falling on his face after a dunk and suffering a concussion Jan. 17 against the Warriors.

**Layups:** Bobby Portis, on facing the Clippers without Blake Griffin: "It's crazy seeing him with the Pistons when I was watching the game. As a kid playing (NBA) 2K (video games), you would make crazy trades, put a different player on a different team. So it (was) like a 2K game when I was watching." ... The Bulls' lone national TV appearance, Jimmy Butler's Feb. 9 return to the United Center, has been pushed from 8 to 8:30 p.m. on ESPN.

## BLACKHAWKS



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Nick Schmaltz, fighting the Ducks' Sami Vatanen for the puck Nov. 27, is third on the Hawks with 14 goals.

## Fresh but flying

## Schmaltz ignites youth brigade's contributions

By PAUL SKRBINA  
Chicago Tribune

CALGARY, Alberta — If they saw the awe from Nick Schmaltz, they never fessed up to it.

But the players to whom the Blackhawks center looked up not long ago — Patrick Kane, Duncan Keith, Brent Seabrook and Jonathan Toews among them — are now guys for whom Schmaltz looks out.

And vice versa. Schmaltz grew up watching them as a Hawks fan in Wisconsin. Now he's one of them.

A big one of them. The 21-year-old is part of a youth movement that has emerged lately as the Hawks scratch and claw to try to remain relevant in the NHL playoff chase.

Schmaltz has 20 points in his last 20 games and is responsible for two of the Hawks' last 10 goals, all of which have been scored by players 23 or younger. Alex DeBrincat (21), Anthony Duclair (22), Vinnie Hinostroza (23) and David Kampf (23) are the others.

Schmaltz said his epiphany occurred last season after he was recalled from Rockford.

"I didn't have the start I wanted to here and went down (to Rockford) and regained some confidence," he said. "I came back with a new mindset and

## BLACKHAWKS AT FLAMES

TV/radio: 9 p.m. Saturday; NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720.

**Storylines:** The Flames are three points ahead of the Hawks in the playoff hunt going into the teams' home-and-home games Saturday in Calgary and Tuesday at the United Center.

**Trending:** The Flames (25-18-8) are winless (0-2-4) in their last six games. ... Jordan Oesterle played 23 minutes, 59 seconds Thursday to lead the Hawks (24-20-7) in ice time for the fourth straight game.

didn't overthink it. I wasn't in awe of who I was playing with or who I'm playing against and just realized it's hockey. Just go out and play your game. That was probably the moment when I realized I could play."

And play he has. Along with linemate Kane, Schmaltz has been one of the team's most reliable players in a season infested with erraticism.

He's second behind Kane on the team with 37 points and third in goals (14) and assists (23).

"Schmaltzy has been consistent for a while now," Blackhawks coach Joel Quenneville said. "His speed is the one thing you notice, him getting up the ice well. He gets some separation in tight areas, and all of a sudden he has some ability to get the puck to Kaner. His quickness is deceiving."

Kane repeatedly has praised Schmaltz, even comparing him with 20-year-old Canucks All-Star Brock Boeser, a good friend

and linemate of Schmaltz's when the two helped North Dakota win the NCAA title in 2016.

Schmaltz, though, was quick to deflect that praise right back at Kane, whom he credits for much of his progress.

"I try to think the game at the same level as him and make the same plays," Schmaltz said. "Obviously he's elite, and not many players are like him. So it makes my job a lot easier and makes me a lot better just learning from him and watching how he plays. ... We're developing some chemistry, and we get along really well."

But the Blackhawks will need more than those two if they are going to have a prayer of making the playoffs for the 10th season in a row.

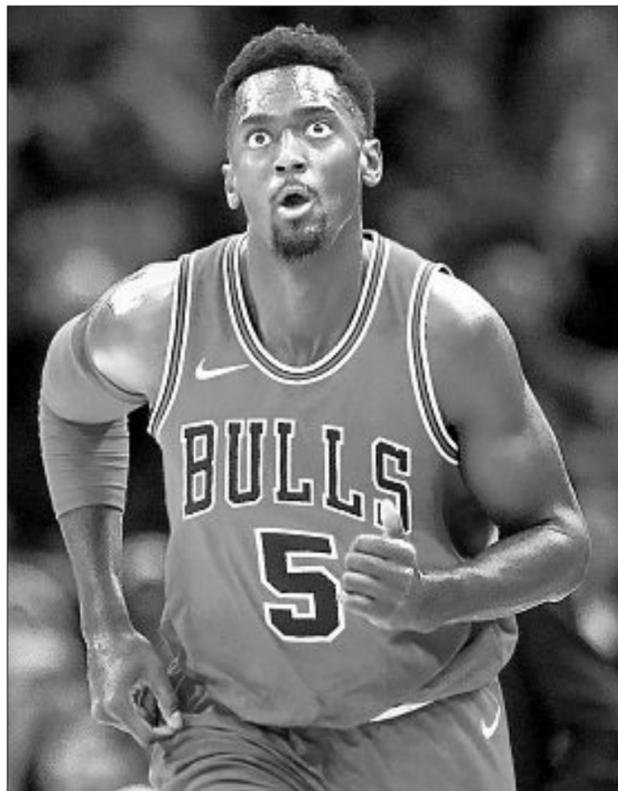
The guys Schmaltz looked up to like Toews, Seabrook and Keith also are going to have to contribute mightily during the final stretch of the season, according to Quenneville.

"At this time of the year, no matter who you are, we need everybody," Quenneville said. "We're going to need our top guys to be the best players they've been. ... We have some new guys in here that have some speed and some skill."

"I'm not worried about their age or experience. Right now it's about the team. ... Not just looking at the young guys. The older guys, we need them all."

And they all need Schmaltz to keep playing like he has been.

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Now that Nikola Mirotic has been traded to the Pelicans, Bulls forward Bobby Portis would prefer to leave their practice fight far behind.

## Portis focuses on future

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Coach Fred Hoiberg said both Zipser and Portis took reps in practice as the starting power forward, this despite Hoiberg replacing Zipser with Portis to start the second half of Wednesday's loss in Portland, Ore., the Bulls' fifth straight. Portis said he doesn't think he's starting.

And while acknowledging that Zipser and Felicio will have increased roles, Hoiberg circled back to the core of Zach LaVine, Kris Dunn and Lauri Markkanen when asked about his job getting tougher with the subtraction of Mirotic. Dunn, out with a concussion, and Markkanen, back in Chicago after the birth of his first child, won't play Saturday against the Clippers.

"We've had our struggles recently, but I'm excited to get Zach and Kris together on the court, where they can play unlimited minutes together," Hoiberg said. "It was 2 1/2 games they had before Kris got hurt, and Zach was still only playing 20 minutes a game."

"As Zach's minutes go up and his rhythm and timing get better, it's about growing. It's about getting our guys better, developing their skill sets and playing good, hard, competitive basketball. Nothing changes from that standpoint."

Hoiberg thanked Mirotic for his

play and professionalism.

"Niko brought a professionalism and confidence to our team and helped us win some games when we desperately needed them," Hoiberg said. "For that, I'll always be grateful. He really handled the (Portis) situation as well as he possibly could."

Portis said he "doesn't worry about all the outside things" when asked if he felt vindication that management, in essence, chose him over Mirotic. And he wore a look of incredulity when asked if he felt guilty for making Mirotic miss the first 23 games and forever altering his career.

"Guilty? No, I just come in and play basketball," Portis said. "Every team gets into a situation, but ours just blew up because of the whole hospital thing. I'm still sorry for what I did. But one thing I've done a good job of this year is to worry (only) about what I can control."

"Honestly, man, I'm just over talking about Niko. I just want to talk about the Chicago Bulls, try and be the best basketball player I can be. I feel like I've said it every time I talk to you (reporters), but I truly am sorry for what happened."

"I don't really want to talk about that anymore. I'm just worried about my future."

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## BLACKHAWKS NOTES

## Saad sent to 3rd line; Anisimov on 2nd

By PAUL SKRBINA  
Chicago Tribune

CALGARY, Alberta — Looks like the Blackhawks will have a \$6-million-a-year man on their third line Saturday night against the Flames.

Winger Brandon Saad, who ended his pointless streak at nine games with an assist in Thursday night's 4-2 loss to the Canucks, skated with Tommy Wingels and Lance Bouma during practice Friday.

Saad spent most of the season on the top line with Jonathan Toews before briefly joining Patrick Kane and Nick Schmaltz on the second line.

But for now coach Joel Quenneville opted to move Saad down a notch — and reunite Artem Anisimov with Kane and Schmaltz.

"You come to practice, and they put you out there with who they want," Saad said. "You have to focus on what you bring, regardless of what line you're on."

Saad cited the team's depth as a likely reason for the move, though he didn't seem to assign much more thought to it than that.

"We want all four lines rolling to have success anyway," he said. "It really doesn't matter. It doesn't change your approach much."

Anisimov, who has one assist in five games since returning from injured reserve, has been one of the few Hawks willing to wiggle his way into the crease in search of "greasy" goals. His six game-winning scores are tied for second in the league.

That's one of the primary

reasons Quenneville decided to make the change.

"He has the willingness, (and) he has the art as well," Quenneville said of Anisimov's ability to get in front of the net. "He has a quick stick. His positioning is good, whether he's tipping pucks or finding them. He has a real good knack about it. ... There's good ice time when you fill that niche."

**One-timers:** Winger Tomas Jurco did not practice Friday, but Quenneville said he was just resting. ... Injured goalie Corey Crawford still has not gotten on the ice, Quenneville said. ... Duncan Keith still hasn't scored in 121 shots on goal this season, but he had two assists in his fifth multiple-point game Thursday to push his assist total to 25, second most on the team.

## SUPER BOWL LII



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The circuitous career of Eagles long snapper Rick Lovato began when he signed as an undrafted free agent with the Bears in 2015.

## Long road paying off

Eagles long snapper Lovato began his career with Bears

BY BRAD BIGGS | Chicago Tribune

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — Of all the unusual twists and turns some players have taken to reach the pinnacle of the NFL, few have taken a more curious route than Eagles long snapper Rick Lovato.

Provided he does his job Sunday in Super Bowl LII at U.S. Bank Stadium, most fans won't know his name and even fewer his back story, which in the NFL began with the Bears as an undrafted free agent in 2015.

The Bears called Lovato during the seventh round of that draft to inform him they would not select him as their pick in that round, which had been used in the trade that dumped Brandon Marshall on the Jets. But the Bears were interested in signing Lovato as a free agent. It didn't take long for a deal to happen, and he received a \$4,500 signing bonus to join the team and compete against veteran Thomas Gafford for the long-snapper job.

The Bears cut Lovato before the final preseason game, beginning a 16-month odyssey that ended with him joining the Eagles late last season. On Sunday he'll become the first player from Old Dominion to play in the Super Bowl.

Like a lot of long snappers, the 25-year-old Lovato bounced around before really getting a shot, and he can recall the sequence of events with precision. After being released by the Bears, he returned to his hometown of Lincroft, N.J., about 85 miles northeast of Philadelphia, and worked at Joyce's Subs & Pizza while working out and waiting for, what else, the phone to ring.

"I had a workout with Miami and that didn't lead into anything," Lovato said. "Sixteen weeks later, I got a workout with Green Bay but it was just for an after-the-season thing, and then two days after the workout, their snapper got hurt. They were playoff-bound and they signed me to go in and I was with the Packers for four games (including two playoff games).

"All throughout the offseason and pre-season I was with Green Bay, then got cut again (on Sept. 3, 2016). I had a workout with the Redskins after Week 10 of that year, played two games with them, cut again. Three weeks after that, the Eagles called, didn't even have a workout, got signed immediately."

Popular Eagles long snapper Jon Dorenbos had suffered a wrist injury and was placed on injured reserve. Lovato held the role for the final three regular-season games and remained on the roster in the offseason, when most assumed Dorenbos would

reclaim the role. The Eagles traded Dorenbos to the Saints for a seventh-rounder in August, meaning Lovato had won the job, one he's held all season.

He credits lessons learned in four months with the Bears for showing him the path to an NFL job, although it was hardly a direct one.

"Right away I was taught just the competitiveness of the NFL because I had no experience at the time," Lovato said. "Having Robbie Gould and Thomas show me exactly what I needed to do to be able to perform at this level was really what had me a little shocked but also I was like, 'OK, now I know the level I need to be at.' So that really just pushed me to go as far as I possibly could with this."

Lovato also gives a little credit to former Bears long snapper Pat Mannelly, whose sharing nature has helped so many long snappers. Lovato keeps a picture of Mannelly as a teaching point.

"He came to multiple practices of ours," Lovato said. "Great guy and really helpful. I still have a photo from training camp in 2015 on my phone, him teaching us that drop step he would do and how to perfect our field goal snaps to be perfect with the laces every time. He's an incredible guy."

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## NOTES

## Eagles eager to hear pep talk by Favre

BY GARY KLEIN | Los Angeles Times

MINNEAPOLIS — The Eagles are scheduled to get a visit Saturday from someone who knows a little something about defeating the Patriots in the Super Bowl.

Hall of Fame quarterback **Brett Favre**, who led the Packers to victory over the Patriots in Super Bowl XXXI, was invited by Eagles coach **Doug Pederson** to address his players.

Pederson was a reserve quarterback behind Favre on a Packers team that defeated the Patriots 35-21 to cap the 1996 season.

Several Eagles players said they were looking forward to hearing from Favre, who passed for 246 yards and two touchdowns and ran for a touchdown in the win.

"Any time you can sit down with one of the all-time great players in this league, you're going to be able to learn something," tight end **Zach Ertz** said. "I'm trying to hopefully one day be at that level for the tight end position, so if I can learn something that would be amazing."

"He has experience playing in Super Bowls, something that I do not. Going against the Patriots in the Super Bowl and having success, which I do not. So I'm excited about this."

Defensive lineman **Fletcher Cox** said players welcome the opportunity to listen to players such as Favre, who played 20 NFL seasons and passed for 508 touchdowns.

"It's always great to hear from guys like that," Cox said. "Guys that's been around this league for a long time. ... Guys that have won Super Bowls."

"Guys on our team will listen and it will give us a little spark."

Linebacker **Brandon Graham** sees Favre as an underdog, much like the Eagles are considered against the Patriots.

"He always had that chip on his shoulder for just the way he played, taking risks going out there and just trying to win," Graham said.

"Just knowing and seeing a guy that's been an underdog like him, we can relate to him. I think a lot of guys will open their ears and just be excited to be a part of that."

NFL players, defensive back **Jaylen Watkins** said, are no different than any other person when it comes to hearing from great players.

"(Former Lakers great) **Kobe Bryant** came and spoke to us earlier and we all were pretty excited," Watkins said.

"Brett Favre is one of the greatest quarterbacks ever. To know that he had a personal relationship with our head coach and the respect he has for our head coach, we're all excited."

That didn't stop running back **LeGarrette Blount** from joking about Favre's visit.

Blount, who won two Super Bowls with the Patriots, was asked if he would have any questions for Favre. He reportedly responded "How many Super Bowls has he won?"

When the questioner said one, Blount reportedly laughed and said, "Nah, there ain't too much I want to ask him."

Blount later tweeted that he was joking.

**Memphis connection:** Patriots kicker **Stephen Gostkowski** and Eagles kicker **Jake Elliott** have something in common: Both played in college at Memphis.

"It's really cool to have a unique position come from the same school and to both be in the Super Bowl," Gostkowski said.

Gostkowski, a fourth-round draft pick by the Patriots in 2006, made 37 of 40 field-goal attempts this season.

Elliott was a fifth-round pick by the Bengals in April. The Eagles signed him off the Bengals' practice squad, and he made 26 of 31 attempts, including one from 61 yards that beat the Giants in Week 3 and spurred the Eagles' run to an NFC East title.

The kickers became friends a few years ago when Gostkowski returned to campus to work out. They have exchanged texts through the years, congratulating each other on good performances and clutch kicks.

Gostkowski also has provided encouragement and advice, Elliott said.

The kickers plan to visit on the field before the game Sunday at U.S. Bank Stadium.

"I'm sure we'll go say hi and chat it up for a little bit," Elliott said. "But, obviously, it's all business."

Gostkowski agrees.

"I take my job very seriously, but I don't take myself that seriously," he said. "We're friends. I hope he does well. I hope we win."

**Hoop dreams:** Patriots tight end **Dwayne Allen** did not grow up dreaming of playing in the Super Bowl. His dream?

"Oh, playing in the NBA Finals, definitely," he said.

Not that playing in the Super Bowl is a step down.

"It's an amazing event and amazing game," he said. "To have the entire world watching you play football is an incredible accomplishment."

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## Everything in football is relative to Karras

BY BRAD BIGGS | Chicago Tribune

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — Football, in a lot of ways, is the family business for Ted Karras, so he has a deep appreciation for what it means to be preparing for his second Super Bowl in his second pro season.

The Patriots offensive lineman, who was a four-year starter at Illinois, was the seventh member of his family to play football in the Big Ten. Combined, they represent five universities.

■ His grandfather Ted Karras was a defensive tackle at Indiana and a member of the Bears' 1963 title team.

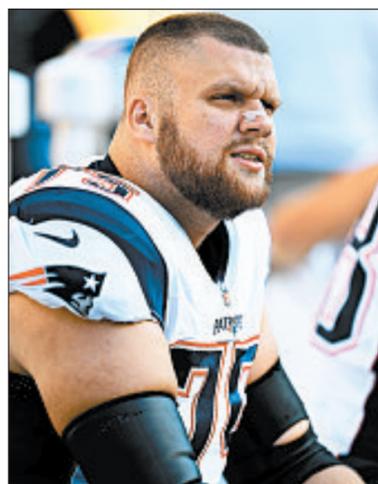
■ His great uncle Alex Karras was a four-time Pro Bowl defensive lineman for the Lions after winning the Outland Trophy at Iowa. Alex later starred in the 1980s sitcom "Webster."

■ His father, Ted Karras Jr., was a defensive tackle at Northwestern and played briefly for the Redskins.

■ His great uncle Paul Karras played at Iowa.

■ His great uncle Lou Karras played at Purdue before spending three seasons with the Redskins.

■ His uncle Tony Karras played at Northwestern.



JOE SARGENT/GETTY

Patriots offensive lineman Ted Karras, the seventh member of his family to play in the Big Ten, is going back to the Super Bowl.

"It's unbelievable," said Karras, who was born in Chicago and lived in Naperville until his family moved to Terre Haute, Ind.,

when he was 10. "We have a great family coaching tree."

"My grandfather played for (George) Halas, my dad played for (Joe) Gibbs and I get to play for Coach (Bill) Belichick. We're very grateful. (We're) all interior linemen trying to do our best every game."

Karras was not invited to the scouting combine in 2016 but did enough in the East-West Shrine Game to intrigue the Patriots, who sent offensive line coach Dante Scarnecchia to Champaign for Illinois' pro day to put Karras through a workout. It was the only meaningful contact he had with a team, and it was enough for him to remain hopeful as the draft approached.

"I always think I have a chance," Karras said. "I didn't know where I was going to go, but I knew I was going to go my hardest."

The Patriots drafted him in the sixth round. He started one game at guard as a rookie and filled in as a starter for two games this season in place of David Andrews.

Karras is scheduled to get married in two weeks, but first comes Super Bowl LII.

"I feel very blessed, very fortunate and very grateful," he said. "I'm working my hardest to stay here."

## NFL



MARK ZALESKI/AP

Quarterback Jared Goff's dramatic improvement in 2017 led to a major turnaround for the Rams.

# Headed to LA, but not coasting

Trubisky hopes to copy offseason roommate Goff's sophomore leap

BY COLLEEN KANE  
Chicago Tribune

As Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky navigates his first full NFL offseason, he'll be spending time with a player who was in his shoes a year ago.

Trubisky is going to room this offseason with Rams quarterback Jared Goff in Newport Beach, Calif., Goff told Barstool Radio while making the rounds this week at Super Bowl radio row in Minneapolis.

Goff, who recently wrapped up

his second season after being drafted No. 1 in 2016, told the Barstool hosts he became acquainted with Trubisky through their mutual agent. They decided to stay together as they train in California.

"I'm excited to spend some time with him," Goff said. "(We'll) get down to Newport (and) hang out on the beach a little bit."

Some have suggested Goff's growth from his first year to his second after Sean McVay took over as Rams coach could provide an example of how the Bears and Trubisky can make strides in their first season under coach Matt Nagy.

Trubisky completed 59.4 percent of his passes for 2,193 yards

with seven touchdowns and seven interceptions in 12 games as a rookie with the 5-11 Bears. He'll have to learn to operate in a new offense under Nagy and coordinator Mark Helfrich.

Goff went through a similar experience over the last two seasons.

In seven starts in 2016 — all Rams losses — Goff completed 54.6 percent of his passes for 1,089 yards with five touchdowns and seven interceptions. In 15 games in 2017 under the new coaching staff, he completed 62.1 percent for 3,804 yards with 28 touchdowns and seven interceptions.

The Rams improved from 4-12 to an 11-5 playoff team in one year. "I don't think I ever lost confi-

dence," Goff said of his first season. "I only played seven games. Sure, it was rough, but I didn't get too down on myself and knew I had a long career ahead."

Goff told the Tribune's Rich Campbell in December that he believes Trubisky can find similar success in his second season.

"He has all the talent in the world (and) the work ethic," Goff said. "He's young, but he's mature. He understands this (season) isn't his whole career. He has time to grow."

"He's very similar to how I felt about it last year. Don't let this define you."

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## Hoyer enjoys soft landing

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have many options when considering experienced quarterbacks, but Hoyer was one, and he started five games for the Bears in 2016. The plan was for Hoyer to start the rest of the season after he was inserted into the lineup in Week 3. That was before a broken arm in Week 7 sent him to injured reserve. The Bears never checked in with Hoyer when it came time to think about 2017.

"Not really," he said. "Things happen that maybe are beyond your control, and you don't always understand why. I was just going into free agency. (I knew) I would have opportunities."

Hoyer, 32, seems energized, and it's understandable why. He has an opportunity to win a Super Bowl ring after bouncing from the Texans to the Bears, then the 49ers and now back to the Patriots.

"Look, I've been on seven teams," he said. "I'm back on this one again. The thing I have learned in the NFL is you never really know what to expect. You just worry about what you can control. I am so happy to be a part of this team and this organization again, especially having learned how to be a professional player for this team and then having gone off on my own for a few years and now to come back, I have such an appreciation for how things are done here. How much attention to detail there is, the accountability factor. It's exciting and refreshing to come back."

49ers coach Kyle Shanahan tipped off Hoyer hours before the Garoppolo trade. Hoyer wasn't included in the trade because he could earn more money if he were cut.

"I was in shock," Hoyer said. "It turned out to be a good deal for those guys, and worked out for me too."

An Ohio kid who used to sit in the stands at the old Municipal Stadium and watch the Browns when Bill Belichick was the coach, Hoyer is the only Cleveland quarterback since the franchise was reinstated in 1999 to have a winning record — 10-6 combined in 2013-14.

"That might last a while," Hoyer joked.

Understandably, Hoyer doesn't wish to speculate if something happens to Brady and he's called on to play Sunday. He has had ample time to brush up on an offense that has evolved since his first stint with the Patriots. He was ready two weeks ago, if needed, and will be prepared.

Trading places is something that worked out for Hoyer and Garoppolo.

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"I hate talking about myself ... but just look at the way I changed the position," Urlacher said. "I changed what was asked of middle linebackers."

# Urlacher makes case for Hall

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say he's a first-ballot because, to me, if you're in the Hall of Fame, that's a pretty freaking big deal, regardless," said Urlacher, who will be in Minneapolis in case he receives good news. "It'd be sweet to go in on first ballot, but any time would be awesome. Whatever happens, happens. I'm not really nervous. My numbers aren't going to change."

Putting those numbers into context for the selectors falls on the shoulders of longtime NFL writer Dan Pompei, the former Tribune staffer who now works for Bleacher Report and The Athletic. They huddled last month.

"I have complete trust in Dan," Urlacher said. "He was there for my entire career and asked me what I wanted to be said. If it comes down to my presentation, I feel good about getting in."

He feels awkward anytime somebody asks how he would make that presentation. Urlacher would rather sell Packers jerseys than himself.

"I hate talking about myself ... but just look at the way I changed the position," Urlacher said reluctantly. "I changed what was asked of middle linebackers, to do what a lot of guys can't do: cover 40 yards down the middle and still play the run. Most guys

can do one or the other, and you bring someone in on third downs.

"I was the guy who could do it all. I could blitz, especially early in my career. I had the interceptions, the (tackles for a loss). There were no glaring weaknesses in my game. Of course I didn't get off blocks great; not a lot of guys did."

Urlacher said the toughest blockers to shed were fullbacks: Jim Kleinsasser of the Vikings and Cory Schlesinger of the Lions.

"They had the hardest heads of any guys I played against," Urlacher said. "I was always sore after playing (Schlesinger)."

His hardest running back to tackle?

"Ricky Williams," Urlacher said. "He was 5-10, 235 and ran a 4.4 (40-yard dash). I'm 6-4 and couldn't get under him. I had some good collisions with him, but he ran all over us. You couldn't see him behind the line of scrimmage because he wasn't very tall, and then when you did, it was too damn late."

The trickiest quarterback to read?

"I would love to say Aaron (Rodgers), but we would usually know what they were doing because we knew what we were in and where our weakness was, so he would check into that," Urlacher said. "Peyton (Man-

ning) was great. All the jabbering before the snap, you still didn't know what they were doing. The few times I played him, he was hard to defend."

Much discussion this week revolved around comparisons between Urlacher and former Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis, who's considered a shoo-in Saturday because of his two Super Bowl rings. Fellow finalist Kevin Mawae, a former Jets and Titans center, made a compelling case on the Talk of Fame Network why Urlacher was better than Lewis — "He was more of a physical player in the box against offensive linemen," Mawae said — but No. 54 stayed away from declaring himself the No. 1 linebacker among prospective inductees.

"In my opinion we're two different players," Urlacher said. "Ray did some things really good, I did some things really good. We also did some things very similar really good. If you look at our defense, and this is not to be arrogant, but I changed the way middle linebacker was played for a lot of guys. I'm fortunate Lovie was our coach when I came into my own."

That instinct to deflect praise by including others went over well in the Bears locker room, where Urlacher was known as a better teammate than he was a linebacker. The humble player

### HALL OF FAME CANDIDATES

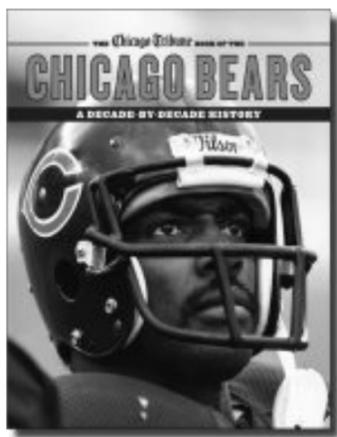
**Modern era:** Tony Boselli, OT; Brian Dawkins, S; Alan Faneca, G; Steve Hutchinson, G; Joe Jacoby, OT; Edgerrin James, RB; Ty Law, CB; Ray Lewis, LB; John Lynch, S; Kevin Mawae, C; Randy Moss, WR; Terrell Owens, WR; Brian Urlacher, LB; Everson Walls, CB;  
**Senior:** Robert Brazile, LB; Jerry Kramer, G.  
**Contributor:** Bobby Beathard.

destined for Canton never considered himself anything but a kid from Lovington, N.M.

"I tried to be the same to everyone," Urlacher said. "You know the first day of training camp, when you don't know everybody's names because there are so many guys? Bull----. I knew everybody's name. I knew the linemen's names, the receivers and DBs nobody knew. I tried to treat everyone the same. I'd say hi to everybody and talk to everyone. That's the way Lovie and Dick Jauron were to us. They treated us all the same."

Everybody always knew Urlacher was different. Confirmation of just how rare will come Saturday if the best Bears middle linebacker not named Butkus gets the Hall call he earned.

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## SCOREBOARD

## CALENDAR

TEAM	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	@LAC 2:30 NBCSCH AM-670		@SAC 9 WGN-9 AM-670				MIN 7 ESPN AM-670
	@CAL 9 NBCSCH AM-720			CAL 7:30 NBCSCH AM-720		DAL 7:30 NBCSCH AM-720	

## SATURDAY ON TV/RADIO

**NBA**

**2:30 p.m.** Bulls at Clippers NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670

**7:30 p.m.** Rockets at Cavaliers ABC-7

## MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**11 a.m.** Notre Dame at N.C. State ESPN, WMV-AM 1000

**11 a.m.** DePaul at Butler FS1, WSCR-AM 670

**11 a.m.** Oklahoma State at Kansas CBS-2

**11 a.m.** Duke at St. John's FOX-32

**11 a.m.** Cincinnati at Connecticut ESPN2

**11 a.m.** Houston at Central Florida ESPNU

**1 p.m.** Missouri State at Loyola CBSNS

**1 p.m.** Kentucky at Missouri CBS-2

**1 p.m.** Miami at Virginia Tech ESPN

**1 p.m.** South Carolina at Texas A&M ESPN2

**1 p.m.** Texas Tech at TCU ESPNU

**1:30 p.m.** Minnesota at Michigan FOX-32

**1:30 p.m.** Providence at Marquette FS1

**3 p.m.** Purdue at Rutgers BTN

**3 p.m.** Alabama at Florida ESPN

**3 p.m.** Kansas State at West Virginia ESPN2

**3 p.m.** Indiana State at Northern Iowa NBCSCH+

**4 p.m.** Oregon at Stanford FOX-32

**4 p.m.** Florida State at Louisville WCUI-26.2

**5 p.m.** Iowa at Penn State BTN

**5 p.m.** USC at UCLA ESPN2

**5 p.m.** Georgia at Mississippi State ESPNU

**5:15 p.m.** Oklahoma at Texas ESPN

**7 p.m.** Iowa State at Baylor ESPN2

**7:15 p.m.** Michigan State at Indiana ESPN

**9 p.m.** BYU at Gonzaga ESPN2

**9 p.m.** UC Irvine at Cal State-Fullerton ESPNU

## WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**Noon** Ohio State at Wisconsin BTN

## BOXING

**9:15 p.m.** Habib Ahmed vs. Gilberto Ramirez ESPN

**8 p.m.** NFL Honors NBC-5

## NHL

**Noon** Senators at Flyers NHLN

**6 p.m.** Maple Leafs at Bruins NHLN

**9 p.m.** Blackhawks at Flames NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720

## AHL

**7 p.m.** IceHogs at Wolves WPWR-50

## HORSE RACING

**3 p.m.** NYRA Racing FS2

## MARTIAL ARTS

**7 p.m.** UFC Fight Night prelims FS2

**9 p.m.** Lyoto Machida vs. Eryk Anders FS1

## PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER

**6:25 a.m.** Manchester City at Burnley NBCSN

**8:55 a.m.** Huddersfield Town at Manchester United NBCSN

**11:30 a.m.** Everton at Arsenal NBC-5

## TENNIS

## WTA ST. PETERSBURG OPEN

**QF: At Sibur Arena; St. Petersburg, Russia; hard-indoor**

#8 Daria Kasatkina d. #1 Caroline Wozniacki, 7-6 (2), 6-3

#2 Jelena Ostapenko, 6-0, 6-2

#4 Kristina Mladenovic d. #3 Katerina Siniakova, 6-4, 6-3

#5 Julia Goepfert d. Elena Rybakina, 6-3, 6-3

## WTA TAIPEI OPEN

**QF: At Taipei Arena; Taipei, Taiwan; hard-outdoor**

#4 Timea Babos d. #7 Magda Linette, 6-1, 6-3

Katerina Kozlova d. #5 Yulia Putintseva, 7-5, 6-3

#3 Sabine Lisicki d. M. Niculescu, 4-6, 6-4, 6-4

Wang Yafan d. Eugenie Bouchard, 6-4, 6-0

## DAVIS CUP FIRST ROUND

## WORLD GROUP

**Winners advance to quarterfinals, April 6-8**

**France 1, Netherlands 1**

**In Albertville, France; hard-indoor**

Thiemo de Bakker d. Lucas Pouille, 7-6 (4), 6-3, 6-3

Richard Gasquet d. Robin Haase, 6-4, 7-6 (3), 3-6, 7-5

**Japan 1, Italy 1**

**In Morioka, Japan; hard-indoor**

Fogini d. Yaro Daniel, 6-4, 3-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2

Tsuchi Sugita d. Andrea Seppi, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 (1)

**Spain 1, Britain 1**

**In Marbella, Spain; clay-outdoor**

Albert Ramos-Vinolas d. Liam Broady, 6-3, 6-4, 7-6 (6)

Cameron Norrie d. Roberto Bautista Agut, 4-6, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-2

## Australians 1, Germany 1

**In Brisbane, Australia; hard-outdoor**

Alexander Zverev d. Alex de Minaur, 7-5, 4-6, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (4)

Nick Kyrgios d. Jan-Lennard Struff, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4

**Kazakhstan 2, Switzerland 2**

**In Astana, Kazakhstan; hard-outdoor**

Henni Laaksonen, 6-2, 7-6 (7), 3-6, 7-5

Michael Kukushkin d. Adrian Panter, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3

## Croatia 1, Canada 1

**In Osijek, Croatia; clay-outdoor**

Borna Coric d. Peter Poljak, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2

Viktor Shalov d. Nikolic, 6-4, 6-4, 6-2

## NFL

## SUPER BOWL LII

**Sunday; U.S. Bank Stadium; Minneapolis, Minn., 5:30 p.m. (NBC-5)**

**March 14:** 2018 league calendar begins, free agency opens, trades allowed.

**March 25-28:** Annual league meeting, Orlando.

**April 2:** Clubs that hired a new head coach after the end of the 2017 regular season may begin offseason workouts.

**April 16:** Clubs with returning head coaches may begin offseason workout programs.

## SUPER BOWL LII: TALE TAPE

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13-3 2017 record 13-3

28.5 (3) Points per game 28.6 (2)

335.8 (7) Yards per game 394.2 (1)

263.5 (13) Pass yards/game 276.1 (2)

182.4 (3) Rush yards/game 118.1 (10)

184 (4) Points allowed 18.5 (5)

386.5 (4) Yards allowed 366.0 (29)

211 (4) First downs/game 24.3 (1)

338 First downs 38

96/2230 Third down conv. 82-202

41.7 (8) 3rd down pct. 40.6 (10)

17/226 Fourth down conv. 8-13

65.4 (3) 4th down pct. 62.5 (10)

1,073 Scrimmage plays 1,070

5.5-7.5 Yards per play 5.9

448-4.2 Rush att-plays 448-4.2

564-7.0 Pass att-plays 587-7.0

36 (16) Sacks allowed 35 (14)

53 (1) Touchdowns 49 (4)

9 (24) Rush TDs 16 (6)

38 (1) Pass TDs 32 (3)

6 (3) Return TDs 0 (0)

32:41 Time of possession 30:37

+11 Turnover margin +6

29 (23) Punt returns 32 (18)

## LATEST LINE

## NBA

TEAM	PTS	REB	AST	STK	HOME	AWAY	CONF
Bulls	8						
Clippers	off						
Orlando	off						
Indiana	off						
Detroit	off						
Cleveland	off						
Minnesota	8½						
San Antonio	6						
Gen State	5						
Dallas	4½						

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

TEAM	PTS	REB	AST	STK	HOME	AWAY	CONF
Duke	11½						
Kansas	12						
NC State	off						
Houston	2						
Cincinnati	2½						
Butler	12½						
Clemson	3½						
TCU	7						
Loyola	7						
Missouri	3						
Michigan	11						
Illinois St	5½						
Purdue	15						
at W. Virginia	7						
at Florida	8½						
at N. Illinois	2						
Michigan St	9						
at Penn St	8						
at Tennessee	11						
at Texas	2½						
at Xavier	14						
at N. Carolina	21½						
at Florida	12						
at S. Illinois	5½						
at Auburn	13						
Saint Mary's	9						
at Gonzaga	12						
Arizona	4½						

## NHL

TEAM	PTS	REB	AST	STK	HOME	AWAY	CONF
Blackhawks	+11						
Ottawa	+185						
Anaheim	off						
Detroit	off						
St. Louis	+143						
at Buffalo	+143						
at Winnipeg	+168						
at NY Islanders	+107						
at Toronto	+107						
at New Jersey	+107						
at Nashville	+163						
at Dallas	off						
Tampa Bay	+157						
at Los Angeles	off						

## NFL: SUPER BOWL LII

**In Minneapolis**

New England 4½ Philadelphia

## SOCCER

## ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE

TEAM	PTS	REB	AST	STK	HOME	AWAY	CONF
Man City	22	2	73	18	68		
Man United	16	5	4	18	53		
Liverpool	14	8	5	29	50		
Chelsea	15	5	45	19	50		
Tottenham	16	5	49	22	45		
Arsenal	12	7	46	34	45		
Burnley	9	8	20	22	35		
Leicester	9	7	9	37	34		
Everton	8	7	10	28	40		
Bournemouth	7	7	11	28	36		
Watford	7	6	12	33	44		
West Ham	6	9	10	31	43		
Crystal Palace	6	8	11	23	38		
Newcastle	6	6	13	23	35		
Brighton	6	6	13	25	34		
Stoke	6	6	13	25	24		
Huddersfield	6	6	13	19	44		
Southampton	4	11	10	25	36		
Swansea	6	5	14	18	23		
West Brom	3	11	11	19	34		

## SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE

Burnley vs. Man City, 6:30 a.m.

West Brom vs. Southampton, 9 a.m.

Bournemouth vs. Stoke, 9 a.m.

Leicester vs. Swansea, 9 a.m.

Brighton vs. West Ham, 9 a.m.

Man United vs. Huddersfield, 9 a.m.

Arsenal vs. Everton, 11:30 a.m.

## AHL

## WESTERN CONFERENCE

TEAM	PTS	REB	AST	STK	HOME	AWAY
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## 2018 WINTER OLYMPICS

## Vonn's training, confidence peak

U.S. star approaches Olympics on a physical, mental high

By ERIC WILLEMSSEN | Associated Press

GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, Germany — The buildup to the last World Cup downhill race before the Pyeongchang Olympics has been just as rough as Lindsey Vonn's up-and-down season.

After waiting for hours for a second straight day Friday, the American standout and her competitors had to leave the Kandahar course again without skiing on it.

The effects of the bad weather that postponed and ultimately canceled training Thursday were still a problem Friday as rain left too many spots of weakened snow to make a safe run possible.

And safety has been a main priority for Vonn approaching the Olympics, with the Feb. 17 super-G and the Feb. 21 downhill in South Korea less than three weeks away.

"In general my confidence is high," Vonn said. "My body feels relatively good. I am just not thinking about injuries. As long as my confidence is good and I am able to ski the way I want to, which I am, then I am not concerned."

Vonn severely damaged her right knee skiing in a patch of soft snow at the world championships in 2013, and the 2010 Olympic downhill champion ultimately missed the Sochi Games the year after the injury.

This weekend Vonn is set to compete in two events, a shortened downhill after a mandatory training run Saturday followed by a race over the full 1.8-mile distance of the Kandahar the next day.

One of her coaches, Alex Hoedlmoser, said:

"The main focus is on the Olympics. We just have to make sure that she is healthy. If everything is cool and good, then she is for sure good for a win here. She is not going to back off, but we are also not going to be stupid, to risk anything where she could get hurt."

Vonn has 40 of her record 79 career World Cup victories in the discipline but has won only one downhill in the last year.

She finally won again two weeks ago in Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy. And in a downhill the day before, she was runner-up to Italy's Sofia Goggia, who also beat her twice in test events on the Olympic hill in March 2017.

Last week in Lenzerheide, Switzerland, Vonn led a combined event after the opening super-G before finishing fourth.

"I feel really good coming into this last weekend before the Olympics," Vonn said.



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Lindsey Vonn says her "confidence is high" for the upcoming Winter Olympics.

## ON THE CLOCK

6 Days until the opening ceremony for the Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang, South Korea.

"Cortina was an amazing weekend. Lenzerheide was equally good. I was really happy with my super-G run and my slalom. For only skiing (slalom) one day in the last five months, it was pretty solid."

Vonn has been finding her form at the right time. Apart from winning a super-G in December, the first three months of her World Cup season were disappointing, marred by two crashes in Lake Louise, Alberta, a jarred back in St. Moritz, Switzerland, and a recurrent knee problem in Val d'Isere, France.

"My season started off poorly mainly just because of the first crash in Lake Louise," Vonn said. "If I hadn't crashed I most likely would have won that race, and that would have set my season off on a completely different path."

Vonn said it took her some time "to get my body back in working order," but she was happy with her results since.

"I am happy with the way things are right now," she said. "It's building up exactly as I'd hoped with my confidence, with my skiing."

"Everything is really peaking for the Olympics — which is exactly what you want."



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Workers spend Friday loading Cubs equipment into a truck bound for spring training.

## Spring training in no jeopardy

Sullivan, from Page 1

players seem puzzled over the lack of movement in free agency, whether they're outraged enough to stop spring training is debatable.

There have been some signings, including former Cubs closer Wade Davis to a three-year, \$52 million deal with the Rockies and outfielder Lorenzo Cain to a five-year, \$80 million deal with the Brewers. How would it look to fans if Davis and Cain boycotted spring training after receiving big contracts?

Van Wagenen is the agent for former White Sox third baseman Todd Frazier, one of the available free agents. At a banquet last month, Frazier was seen in a video posted on The Players' Tribune talking about free agency with his former Rutgers coach, Fred "Moose" Hill.

"What're they going to do with you?" Hill asked Frazier.

"I don't know," Frazier replied, adding, "There are teams interested."

"Oh, good," Hill said. "Who's interested? Did they tell you?"

Knowing they were being filmed, Frazier sheepishly told Hill: "I can't really tell right now. We'll talk later."

Frazier, like many others, might have to settle for a one-year deal and try again next year, when the market will be filled with big names such as Bryce Harper, Manny Machado and Josh Donaldson.

Commissioner Rob Manfred said Thursday at the owners meetings in Beverly Hills, Calif., that many factors are involved in the slow market, including "different quality of players" and the new CBA.

"Just like there have been some markets where the lid got blown off in terms of player salary growth, I think economics would suggest occasionally you're going to have some that are going to be a little different, not quite as robust," he said.

At the Cubs Convention, Anthony Rizzo speculated the reason might be collusion but added he didn't know enough about the situation to say for certain. When asked about collusion theories, Cubs Chairman Tom Ricketts said: "No one has brought that up until you, but there's nothing to it. I think everyone just has finite resources. And they're just looking at the playing field for the market."

Ricketts suggested some teams were "saving their powder" for next year's free agents. No one will know if that's true until November.

Meanwhile, the Cubs and White Sox loaded equipment trucks Friday and sent them on their way to Arizona for the opening of camps.

Rest assured there will be baseball, with or without the unsigned players.

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## Death Notices

## Brown, Roger Olcott

Roger Olcott Brown died unexpectedly on January 7, 2018 in Nantucket, Ma. at the age of 87. Roger is survived by his wife of 46 years Elizabeth (Betsy), his children Stephen G. Brown (Linda), Nancy Brown Montejano (Rick), Richard C. Brown (Margaret) and E. Ashley Brown-Hill (Debbie M. Yakimisky), and grandchildren Michelle Montejano, Patrick Montejano, Richard E. Brown, Griffin P. Hill, E. Devin Hill, Tyler J. Yakimisky, Jake R. Yakimisky, and Cody J. Yakimisky.

Roger was born on June 4, 1931 in Evanston, IL to Frank Olney Brown and Madolyn Olcott Brown. He graduated from New Trier High School and attended Williams College. After graduating, he joined the Navy and defended the west coast during the Korean Conflict. While in the Navy, he married Barbara Grimm of Kenilworth IL. They moved back to Winnetka after leaving the Navy. He joined the family company, Squire Dingee Co. (Ma Brown Pickles and Preserves) as a salesman. In 1967, he became a partner with his brother, Donald O. Brown, in Brown Brokerage Company which he was involved with even after his brother passed away. Roger continued to run the company until his passing.

He married Barbara Grimm on 12/26/53 in the Kenilworth Union Church. He was active in the Winnetka Presbyterian Church and the Boy Scouts of America. After his first wife passed away in March of 1969, Roger married Elizabeth (Betsy) Cluxton in October of 1973 at the Church of the Holy Spirit in Lake Forest.

He loved curling, tennis and gardening. When they retired to Nantucket, he liked to fish in the ocean. A memorial service is pending.

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## Ciccione, Jean L.

Age 93, passed away on Wednesday, January 31, 2018. Loving wife of the late Samuel; Dear mom of Linda (late William) Raz, Richard (Kim), Gary (Rose) and Michael Ciccione; Adoring grandmother of eight; Doting great-grandmother of twenty; a great friend to many. Jean was always active with her family, friends, and in her community. She will be greatly missed. In lieu of flowers please make donations to the American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association. Visitation Sunday 3-8:00 p.m. at Belmont Funeral Home, 7120 W. Belmont Ave. Chicago. Prayer Service Monday 10:00 a.m. at the funeral Home. Entombment Woodlawn Cemetery. Info. [www.belmontfuneralhome.com](http://www.belmontfuneralhome.com) or 773 286-2500

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## Demmin, John

John Demmin, 60, died Jan. 30th. A police officer/sergeant for the Elgin Police Dept for 28 years. Loving husband of Joanne and dear father of Mary. Visitation -Thursday, Feb. 8th from 11 AM- 3 PM at the Butala Funeral Home, 1405 DeKalb Ave., Sycamore, IL. 60178, with a Service beginning at 3:00 PM. In lieu of flowers memorials to The Elgin Police Benevolent and Protective Association (Elgin PB&PA Unit 54) c/o The Elgin Police Department, 151 Douglas Ave, Elgin, IL. 60120 or Tails Humane Society, 2250 Barber Green Rd, DeKalb, IL. 60115. For info or to sign the online guest book, go to [www.butalafuneralhomes.com](http://www.butalafuneralhomes.com) or call 815-895-2833

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## Eck, CSJ, Sister Roseann

Sr. Roseann Eck, C. S. J., 88. Beloved member of The Congregation of St. Joseph of LaGrange, celebrating 71 years of Religious Life. Loving daughter of the late Christian and Anna. Devoted sister of the late Anita Burns, Alvin, Milford and Melvin Eck. Dear aunt and great friend of many. Visitation 1 to 4pm Sunday, Feb. 4, 2018 and 9am until Funeral Liturgy 10am Monday, Feb. 5, 2018 at The Congregation of St. Joseph Chapel, 1515 W. Ogden Ave., LaGrange Park. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to The Congregation of St. Joseph appreciated. Sr. Roseann taught at St. Margaret Mary and St. John Fisher, Chicago; St. Mary, Riverside; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Melrose Park; St. Mary, West Chicago; St. Francis Xavier, LaGrange; St. Joseph Military Academy and Alexine Learning Center, LaGrange Park; St. Leonard, Berwyn and at St. Irene, Warrenville where she was also Pastoral Associate. She was an instructor at Little Friends, Wheaton. Arrangements entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home** at 708/352-6500 or [www.hjfunerals.com](http://www.hjfunerals.com)

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## Flood, Michael L.

81, of Lindenhurst, passed away on Jan 30, 2018. Loving husband of Angeline. Father and grandfather of many. Michael was a dedicated iron worker and a longtime member of the Iron Workers Local 1. He worked for the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago for many years and retired as Assistant Master Mechanic. During his tenure, he was also an instructor for the American Indians Ironwork Program. Michael also proudly served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict and was a paratrooper instructor. He earned many honors during his service. Visitation 10-11 am Monday, Feb 5, 2018 at **Ringa Funeral Home**, 122 S. Milwaukee Ave. Lake Villa, IL. 60046. Funeral service 11 am Monday at the funeral home. Burial at Warren Cemetery, Gurnee, IL.

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## Harbison, Victor Charles 'Big Daddy'

Victor C. Harbison of Chicago, Illinois passed away suddenly Friday January 5th, 2018 in Presence Saint Joseph Hospital at the age of 57. He was born in Westland, Michigan, on September 5th, 1960, the youngest son of William Matthew (Matt) and Anne (nee Stroup) Harbison. Victor married Mayte Gonzales on January 16, 1999; the marriage ended in divorce in 2016. Victor is survived by his two daughters, Isabella America and Victoria Anne, and his brothers Mark (Linda), Doug (Debbie) and Gordon (Linda).

Victor taught in the Chicago public schools for 23 years. The first social science teacher in Illinois history to achieve the honor of National Board Certification, he was a hero to his students, whom he led to a national prize for social justice video production, accompanying them to field trips as far as the New Hampshire presidential primary and the Obama inauguration. His greatest joy, however, were his two daughters.

A celebration of Victor's life will be held on Saturday February 10th at 3pm at the Chicago Teachers Union building at 1901 W. Carroll Ave., Chicago, IL 60612.

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## Kenmotsu, Miyono

Miyono Kenmotsu, age 86, passed away on January 28, 2018. She is survived by her children Keith (JoAn), Diane (Mike) Kaneshiro, and Steve (Sharon), sister Kathy Saiki, brother Robert Higashi, and grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. Visitation will be held on Sunday, Feb. 11 at 1:00 p.m, followed by a memorial service at 2:00 p.m. at Church of Christ, Presbyterian, 5846 N. Spaulding Ave., Chicago. No flowers please.

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## Kimmel, Sigmunt M. 'Siggy'

Sigmunt (Siggy) M. Kimmel, 89 of Chicago, IL and Scottsdale, AZ passed away peacefully while surrounded by his family and loved ones on February 1, 2018. Siggy is survived by his loving wife of 58 years Dolores, his son Lawrence (Larry) with his spouse Ronald (Ron) and daughter Lisa. He was born in Stanislaw, Poland on December 27, 1928 to Leon and Pepe (Lipa) Kimmel. Siggy crossed the Atlantic Ocean to the United States through Ellis Island in January of 1947. Soon after arriving Siggy enlisted in the United States Army and proudly served his new country. Siggy became a beloved husband to Dolores in 1959 and soon after they started Cote D'Or Coiffures and worked together for 45 years. A memorial service will be held 10:30 AM Tuesday February 6, 2018 at **Messinger Pinnacle Peak Mortuary**. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in Siggys honor to the Alzheimer's Association at [alz.org](http://alz.org)

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## Martens, Vivi Thiessen

Vivi Thiessen Martens died peacefully on Saturday, January 13, at the Balfour Residences in Denver, Colorado. She was 88.



Memorial services will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 3637 Golf Rd in Evanston on February 9 at 3 PM. Donations can be made to Chicago Lyric Opera in lieu of flowers. Please see full obituary at [www.horancares.com](http://www.horancares.com).

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## Weibel, Evelyn Black 'Evie'

Evelyn Black Weibel, age 93, passed away peacefully on Jan. 15, 2018. Evelyn is survived by her three sons and their families; Charles A. Weibel and wife Laurel Van Leer, children Chad and Aubrey; W. Graham Weibel and daughters Eva and Marguerite; William L. Weibel and wife Joyce Miller Weibel and their sons David and Matthew and wife Kristen and their son, her great-grandson Hagen. Memorial service will be on Saturday, February 3 at 2 p.m. at Trinity Church of the North Shore, 1024 Lake Ave., Wilmette.

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 • Consent Calendar

Very truly yours,  
 DAVID ORR, Cook County Clerk and Clerk of the Board of the Commissioners of Cook County, Illinois

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF FILING OF INTERAGENCY BANK MERGER ACT APPLICATION**  
 This is to inform the public that pursuant to Section 18(c) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, Byline Bank, 180 North LaSalle Street, Suite 300, Chicago, Illinois 60601 and First Bank & Trust, 820 Church Street, Evanston, Illinois 60201, have filed an Interagency Bank Merger Act Application with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") for its prior written approval for the merger of First Bank & Trust with and into Byline Bank under the charter of Byline Bank. The resulting bank will operate under the name "Byline Bank". It is contemplated that all offices of the above-named institutions will continue to be operated under the name of Byline Bank. Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the Regional Director of the FDIC at its regional office at 300 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 1700, Chicago, Illinois 60606, no later than February 21, 2018. The non-confidential portions of the application are on file at the appropriate FDIC office and are available for public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the non-confidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request.

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SATURDAY, FEB. 3 NORMAL HIGH: 32° NORMAL LOW: 17° RECORD HIGH: 59° (1992) RECORD LOW: -19° (1996)

## Cold, snow to follow Saturday's fleeting thaw

### LOCAL FORECAST

**HIGH** 37 **LOW** 23

■ **Brief Saturday warmup before the weather embarks a cold and snowy turn.**

■ Some peeks of sun early, otherwise mainly cloudy.

■ Breezy and noticeably more mild as highs climb into the middle and upper 30s. South-southwest winds at 12-22 mph.

■ A few flurries possible late, mainly north of the city.

■ Cloudy at night with a few flurries, then a steadier accumulating snow developing overnight especially toward sunrise. Lows in the lower and middle 20s.

### NATIONAL FORECAST



Gusty south winds will boost the mercury well above the freezing mark Saturday with highs climbing into the middle and upper 30s. The mild interlude will be fleeting, as an approaching cold front sets the stage for a cold and snowy week, likely to boost this season's meager seasonal snowfall, which to date (9.9 inches) has failed to reach double digits.

A period of snow should develop Saturday night and continue into Sunday morning, bringing most of the Chicago area 1-3 inches of snow, though areas north of the city and near the lake could log higher accumulations. Temperatures will plunge in the wake of the snow with lows heading to the single digits in the city and below zero in the inland suburbs by Monday morning. Highs are not expected to get any higher than the middle 20s through next weekend.

### SUNDAY, FEB. 4

**HIGH** 25 **LOW** 4

Snow tapers to flurries in afternoon, but heavier snow squalls persist near lake. Accumulations of 1-3 inches, heavier north and near the lake. Temp slowly fall from the mid-20s.

### MONDAY, FEB. 5

**HIGH** 19 **LOW** 16

Morning sunshine gives way to increasing afternoon cloudiness. Cold as highs struggle to reach 20. Some light snow develops late in the day or at night.

### TUESDAY, FEB. 6

**HIGH** 24 **LOW** 15

Mainly cloudy and continued cold with east-northeast winds at 10-20 mph. Some morning flurries, but steadier snow possible in the afternoon, especially south of the city.

### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7

**HIGH** 22 **LOW** 5

Cloudy in the morning with some snow likely, especially south and east of the city. Some afternoon clearing. Snow showers near the lake gradually shift into NW Indiana. Brisk north winds.

### THURSDAY, FEB. 8

**HIGH** 22 **LOW** 12

A sunny, but cold start to the day. Highs climb to the lower 20s by afternoon as south winds increase to 10-18 mph. Cloud gather overnight holding lows in the 10-15 degree range.

### FRIDAY, FEB. 9

**HIGH** 23 **LOW** 14

Cloudy and continued cold with a chance of some snow. East winds at 10-20 mph.

### ASK TOM

Dear Tom,  
You recently referred to the Jan. 25-27, 1978, blizzard as a cyclone. Isn't that term only used for storms in the Pacific or Asia?  
— Bob Evans

Dear Bob,  
A cyclone is defined as any low-pressure system. In popular United States usage, "cyclone" is applied loosely to tornadoes, waterspouts, dust storms, hurricanes and even to any strong wind, so the cyclone reference to the 1978 blizzard is correct. You were probably thinking of tropical cyclones. These storms are called hurricanes in the Atlantic, Caribbean and eastern Pacific, and typhoons in the western Pacific Ocean. In the North Indian Ocean, including the Bay of Bengal, they are called severe cyclonic storms, and around Australia they are known as severe tropical cyclones. In the South Indian Ocean east of Africa, they are referred to as tropical cyclones.

Write to: ASK TOM  
2501 W. Bradley Place  
Chicago, IL 60618  
asktomwhy@wgnv.com

WGN-TV meteorologists Steve Kahn, Richard Koehnman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.



## 2017-18 lackluster snow season about to kick it up a notch

**ESTIMATED WEEKEND SNOWFALL**

**PRECIPITATION SNAPSHOT**  
6 AM Sunday forecast

**HERE'S THE SNOW SETUP**

**System #1**  
Predicted ground-level temps at 6 AM Sunday

**System #2**  
Another snow potential in Chicago—Tuesday/Wednesday storm season

**TIMELINE OF POSSIBLE SNOWS OVER THE COMING WEEK**

- #1 STICKING SNOW (SAT NIGHT)
- #2 MONDAY NIGHT
- #3 LATER TUE. INTO WED.
- #4 TOWARD FRIDAY

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives  
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### CHICAGO DIGEST

**FRIDAY TEMPERATURES**

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	20	3	Midway	20	5
Gary	21	14	O'Hare	20	5
Kankakee	19	1	Romeoville	19	3
Lakefront	20	6	Valparaiso	21	6
Lansing	21	5	Waukegan	19	2

**CHICAGO PRECIPITATION**

PERIOD	2018	NORMAL
Fri. (through 6 p.m.)	0.00"	0.05"
February to date	0.00"	0.10"
Year to date	1.54"	1.83"

**CHICAGO SNOWFALL**

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Fri. (through 6 p.m.)	0.0"	0.0"
Season to date	9.9"	10.9"
Normal to date	21.1"	22.3"

SOURCE: Frank Wachowski

**LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS**

	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Wind	S 15-25 kts.	N 25-35 kts.
Waves	3-5 feet	5-10 feet
Fri. shore/crib water temps	33°/33°	

**U.S. SNOW COVER**

FEB. 2	2018	2017
Area covered by snow	30.5%	41.3%
Average snow depth	3.0"	6.0"

**TRACKING THE COLD**

SINCE OCT. 15	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sub-32° highs	29 days	27 days
Subzero lows	8 days	5 days

**CHICAGO AIR QUALITY**

Friday's reading: Not available  
Saturday's forecast: Not available  
Critical pollutant: Not available

**SATURDAY RISE/SET TIMES**

	SUN	MOON
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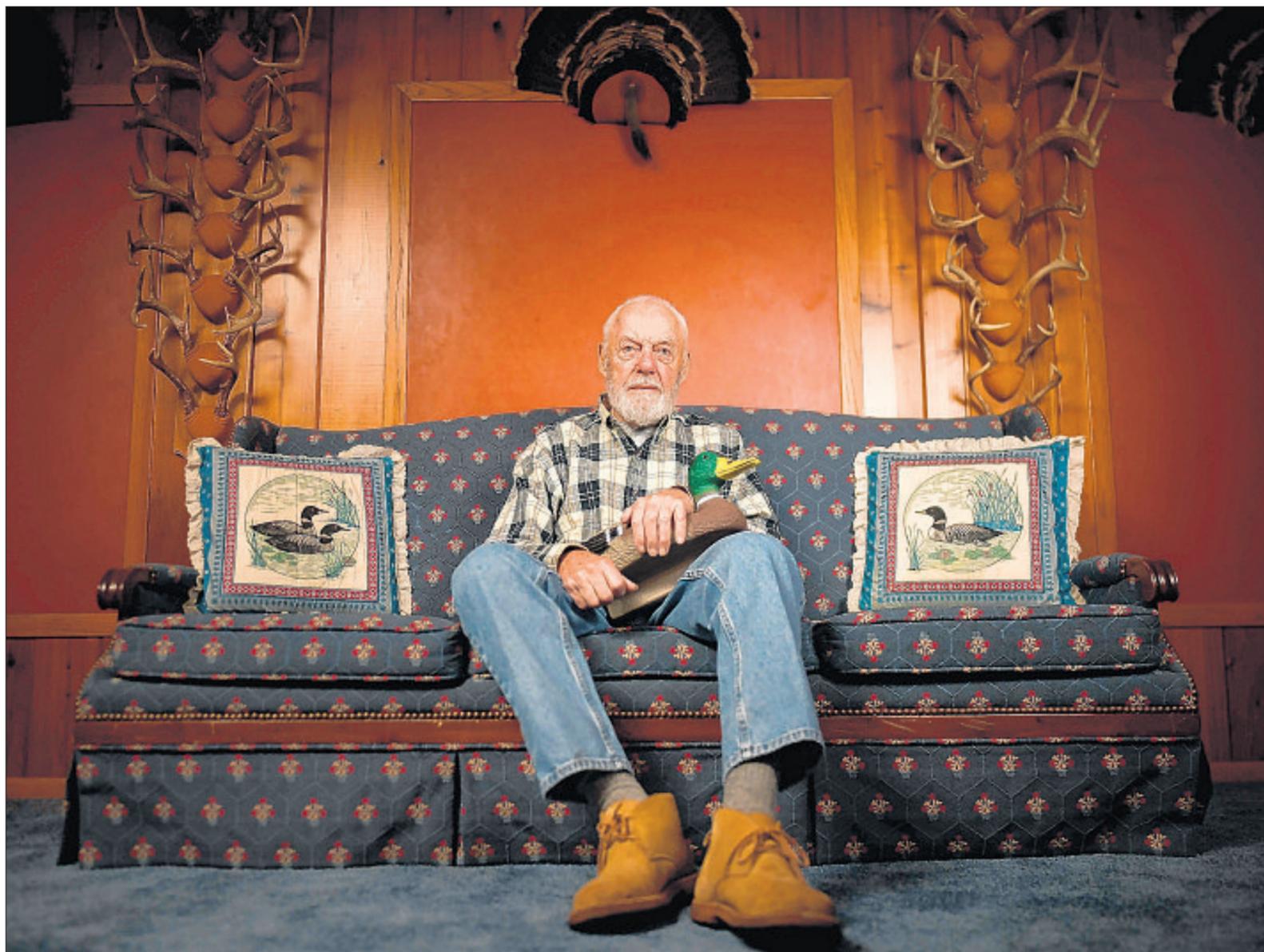
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Bud Grant's basement in Bloomington, Minn., reveals his true passion: the outdoors. Hunting tales, not football memories, have dominated the former Vikings coach's retirement years.

## A full life beyond football

### Ex-Vikings coach Grant prefers time in the woods to memories

By DENNIS ANDERSON  
Minneapolis Star Tribune

BRIDGEPORT, Neb. — Some duck blinds are shaped like coffins, requiring hunters to lie on their backs, eyes upturned, scanning the sky for incoming birds. The blind in which Bud Grant is hunkered this early January morning resembles instead a World War I trench.

Grant, the retired Vikings coach, three-sport Minnesota Golden Gophers standout, member of the 1950 NBA champion Minneapolis Lakers and inductee into the Canadian Football and Pro Football halls of fame, is 90. He walks more stiffly than he did a few duck seasons ago, sometimes shuffling, with his shoulders hunched.

But his mind is sharp, and the circuitry that coordinates his eyes and hands is untarnished. The sun has not fully gathered over the eastern horizon, and already he has donned a pair of drake mallards, his alignment with the speeding fowl fluid and assured.

Even now, 32 years after Grant's steely visage last appeared on the Vikings sideline, he remains the team's winningest coach. Yet for some Minnesotans of a certain age, a single word — "Bud" — triggers memories of the Vikings' four star-crossed Super Bowl appearances, the fifth of which, they hoped, would have washed away those recollections Sunday in Minneapolis.

Super Bowls aside, Grant will tell you some people are born to play musical instruments, or do mathematics, or teach school, while others are natural athletes. "You're just born with it," he says, shrugging.

Growing up in hard-scrabble Superior, Wis., Grant realized his physical gifts early: He could throw a rock into a coffee can at 20 paces. To polish this skill, he would fling 200 or even 300 rocks a day. The country was baseball-crazy at the time, and he would fancy himself a major-leaguer, heaving so many rocks that by his teen years, his right

arm was longer than his left.

Years later, after leaving the University of Minnesota in his senior year for the Lakers as the NBA's first hardship case, Grant turned his pitching arm into cash. "I made more money pitching town baseball in summer than I did playing for the Lakers in winter," he says.

This was just after World War II. Television was in its infancy, and throughout Minnesota and Wisconsin, town baseball was big-time entertainment.

"For \$50 a game, I'd pitch overhand, sidearm, submarine — everything — three nights a week," Grant says. "Sometimes I'd ask for \$100. If the team couldn't afford it, I'd tell them to bet the \$50 they were going to pay me against someone from the other town. I'd guarantee we'd win, and I'd get the \$100."

**Hunting with Grant** on this overcast morning along the North Platte River in western Nebraska is Dennis Highby, a longtime friend and the retired president and chief executive officer of Cabela's.

Also along is Pat Smith, who came into Grant's life after his wife of 60 years, Pat Grant, died in 2009 of Parkinson's disease.

"I couldn't get along without her," Grant says of his "new Pat."

Notwithstanding the circus-like garage sale he hosts at his home each May, during which he peddles everything from fishing rods to bobbleheads, Grant is more comfortable out of the public eye than in it. A naturalist at heart and a keen observer of anything that moves, especially birds and perhaps even more especially people, Grant might begin a day watching the cardinals and blue jays that feed outside the kitchen windows of his home or his northern Wisconsin cabin.

Or he might stroll into Vikings headquarters, where, in his 50th year with the club, he maintains a small office with scattered memorabilia suggesting a life spent hunting and fish-

ing, interrupted by football.

A day's high point occurs if he sees one or more of his six kids, 19 grandkids or 13 great-grandkids.

Never one to look back — Grant doesn't dwell on the Vikings' Super Bowl losses — he nonetheless at times entertains the introspection that advancing age nurtures.

"I'll be reading the paper, and I'll find myself looking around and saying: 'This is great. How did I get here?'" he says. "Of all the forks in the road I came to in my life, of all the decisions I made — and making decisions is the most important thing you do — I ended up here."

He almost didn't.

As far back as his NBA playing days, when an engine on the Lakers' team plane burst into flames over Boston Harbor after an evening game with the Celtics, and as recently as 2015, when he and a friend crashed-landed a twin-engine Beechcraft in Saskatchewan while on a hunting trip, Grant could have bought the farm any number of times in airplane calamities.

And he almost froze to death as a teenager while hunting ducks during the 1940 Armistice Day blizzard.

"Luck is a big part of everything," Grant says. "I've been lucky."

**Harry Peter Grant** was born in Superior on May 20, 1927, to Harry Peter Grant Sr., a fireman, and Bernice Grant, a homemaker.

Realizing soon that two "Harrys" was one too many in her house, Grant's mother hung the moniker "Buddy Boy" on him. In time, the nickname was shortened to Bud. But not before it was emblazoned on a little red wagon he pulled around town, hawking Minneapolis newspapers that arrived in Superior by train.

"I'd meet the train at 5 in the morning on Sundays and buy the papers I thought I could sell," Grant says. "The town where house was on my route, and I'd knock on that door, and the women would say, 'Buddy Boy is here!' and sometimes they'd invite me in for hot chocolate and cookies. They'd usually tip

me too. If they were having a good night, I might get a quarter."

Stricken with polio as a boy, Grant strengthened his legs catching passes and shooting baskets. Always big for his age, he was a prep football, basketball and baseball star, and coaches in Wisconsin figured someday he would suit up for the Badgers.

Grant's dad was athletic, too, and toiled in his spare time for the Duluth Eskimos, an early NFL club. But where Harry Sr. was voluble, a hail fellow well met, his son was more reserved.

Whenever he could, young Harry would catch a lift with his dad to the edge of town or, absent that, ride a bus. There, no matter the weather — the worse the better, for Grant — he would hike for hours, ambushing grouse and rabbits with a .22, before returning home with his quarry in a newspaper carrier's bag.

Grant didn't join the Badgers after high school. He joined the Navy.

Future Hall of Fame coach Paul Brown led the Naval Station Great Lakes team then, and Grant played both offense and defense for the Bluejackets, as he did later for the Gophers, Eagles and Blue Bombers.

"I learned from watching Paul Brown how to make a team out of individual players," Grant says. "We played Notre Dame and all the big schools. But we weren't college kids. We were in the military, with military rules, and one day Brown pointed to four of our players and said, 'You disregarded the rules about drinking. Now I want you and you and you and you to get as far away from me as you can, as fast as you can.'"

"The next day, those players were shipped out to the war. That got the team's attention."

**When Hall of Famer** Fran Tarkenton retired from the Vikings after playing under Grant from 1972-78, he held every major NFL quarterback record.

Tarkenton still thinks about Grant every day.

"I've never met a more interesting person," Tarkenton says. "Bud brought dignity to the Vikings. He didn't raise his voice. He

didn't yell. But if he said something, you listened. Because it made sense."

On his first day in Minnesota in 1967, Grant breezed into the team's offices toting a snazzy briefcase. Friends question whether anything was in it. Never obsessed with X's and O's — Jerry Burns and other assistants focused on that — Grant believed his fundamental job was to assess accurately the team's many moving parts and from these divine a winning strategy.

The tone Grant set would be critical. He required players to wear their uniforms exactly the same, including the height of their socks. He insisted they toe the sideline stripe at attention when the national anthem was played before a game. And he famously ruled out heaters on the Vikings side of the field at the old Met Stadium.

Some of this was image polishing. But most of it was Grant being Grant. And the message was clear: The Vikings were a team, not a collection of individuals. And they would play tough.

"At first, some of the players thought the uniform requirements and standing at attention for the national anthem were Mickey Mouse," Grant says.

Jim Marshall was an All-Pro defensive end who played for the Vikings from 1961-79, appearing in a then-record 282 games.

"Bud had a simplicity to his approach that some of us at first thought was kind of humorous," Marshall says. "But we learned he had reasons for everything he did. All of it was designed to make us successful. He took a team I loved and turned us from an also-ran into a champion. I respected that."

**Grant also had a life** outside of football, which was unusual even then for NFL coaches. He owned and trained hunting dogs. He had pet ravens, seagulls, owls, woodchucks, foxes — and a monkey, "Chico." He counted migrating monarch butterflies during August practices in Mankato. He collected deer antlers and animal furs. And he sometimes showed up for work with muddy waders and dead ducks strewn in the

back of his station wagon.

Grant also had close friends who were distinctly not football groupies, including retired Minnesota state Sen. Bob Lessard of International Falls — the original "Old Trapper" — the late Buzz Kaplan of Owatonna, Minn., a businessman and floatplane pilot with whom Grant regularly traveled the sub-Arctic in summer; and Norb Berg of Mendota Heights.

Like Grant, they were passionate hunters and anglers, and their friendships allowed Grant to go places he hadn't been and learn things he didn't know, which he valued.

"When Bud came to the Vikings, I read in the paper he worried about missing the great duck hunting he had in Winniepeg," Berg said. "I had a place in the Minnesota River Valley where I hunted, and when I bumped into him at a gathering, I told him if he ever wanted to hunt ducks to let me know."

"He said, 'Tomorrow.'"

Now it is late morning alongside the North Platte River, and Grant, Smith and Highby count their bounty: 14 Canada geese and nearly as many drake mallards.

Large flocks of ducks and geese winter along this part of the North Platte, not far from the Colorado and Wyoming state lines. Shallow and slow-moving, the river, early settlers believed, was "too thick to drink and too thin to plow."

Yet on this chilled winter's morning spent with like-minded friends, Grant is feeling the same fresh-air vibe he first knew so many hunting seasons ago, chasing grouse and rabbits outside of Superior.

This is almost 34 years to the day that he first retired from the Vikings. He was 56 then, his six kids had finished college and he had played football or basketball, or coached, every fall for 40 years.

"There are some valleys I want to cross, some mountains I want to climb, some streams I want to wade," he said at the time.

Even he is surprised he's still doing it at 90.

"To live through all the stages of life I have is quite an experience," he says. "I've been lucky."

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# Williams was inspiration

Former Super Bowl MVP erased stereotypes, opened doors for QBs

By LIZ CLARKE  
Washington Post

Rodney Peete led USC to the 1987 Pac-10 football championship and a Rose Bowl appearance as a junior.

The next season, he capped a four-year Trojans career by winning the Johnny Unitas Award as the nation's most outstanding senior quarterback and finishing second to Barry Sanders for the Heisman Trophy.

But it wasn't until Doug Williams led the Redskins to a 42-10 triumph over the Broncos in Super Bowl XXII — becoming the first black quarterback to win a Super Bowl — that Peete felt confident he would have a chance to play quarterback in the NFL.

"It was a sight to see, truly amazing, but it was more than that," said Peete, 51, who recalls every detail of Williams' MVP performance.

"It didn't have quite the global impact of Jesse Owens going to Berlin and winning (four gold medals in the 1936 Olympics), but it was something that was so powerful, something that a lot of people running these (NFL) organizations didn't believe could happen."

On a personal level, it meant validation for a college junior wondering whether there was a place for him — at quarterback — in the pros.

"To me, any success Doug would have would trickle down to me and give me an opportunity," Peete said.

As the 30th anniversary of his triumph neared, Williams, now 62 and the Redskins senior vice president of player personnel, acknowledged how keenly aware he was of the stakes heading into the game.

From the moment the 1987 Redskins defeated the Vikings in the NFC championship game to secure their spot in the third of four Super Bowls under Joe Gibbs, Williams took on the hopes and expectations of millions he had never met.

His hometown of Zachary, La., exploded with pride.

The day after the NFC title game at RFK Stadium, Williams served as grand marshal of a birthday parade in southeast Washington to honor Martin Luther King Jr. As the procession wended through Anacostia, Williams told a cheering crowd, "I'm just glad that I am going to be one part of Martin Luther King's dream," by being the first black quarterback to play in the Super Bowl.

Redskins fans near and far exulted. Even legions of Cowboys fans set aside their loyalties to cheer on Williams and the Redskins, who, under former owner George Preston Marshall, had been the last NFL team to integrate.

"I knew it was history-making," recalled Williams, who was probed and prodded about being a black quarterback in the days leading up to the Super Bowl.

"But I couldn't look at it that way. Everybody else was making a big deal out of it, but I had to look at it as, 'What is best for the Washington Redskins?'"

The rout of the Broncos remains a glorious memory for Redskins fans. And for a generation of black quarterbacks who followed, Williams' four-touchdown MVP performance opened doors — amounting to a powerful rejection of the insidious notion that exceptional African-American athletes were ill-equipped for the complexity and leadership demands of being an NFL quarterback.

**Yet 30 years to the date,** opinion differs about the extent to which such ste-

reotypes persist.

A 2017 study by University of Colorado researchers found that unconscious racial bias still influences views of quarterbacks, with interview subjects, both black and white, tending to stereotype black quarterbacks as "talented and strong" and their white counterparts as "smart and hardworking."

Those biases are behind the historical pattern of "positional segregation," in the view of Cyrus Mehri, a Washington-based lawyer and counsel to the Fritz Pollard Alliance, which advocates for diversity in NFL coaching and executive ranks.

"I see it as part of the same historical package as bias — the view that minorities can't be in 'thinking positions' — even after we've had Barack Obama as president," Mehri said.

Since Williams' MVP performance, only one black quarterback has led an NFL team to a Super Bowl victory: the Seahawks' Russell Wilson.

Asked if he would have expected more to replicate his achievement, Williams said he believes the opportunity has been there for the taking, pointing to the other black quarterbacks who have reached the Super Bowl in addition to him and Wilson — Steve McNair, Donovan McNabb, Colin Kaepernick and Cam Newton.

"The opportunity has been there," Williams said. "It's just a matter of finishing the job. That's the most important thing."

In Williams' case, finishing the job was not easy.

The day before the Super Bowl, he underwent an emergency root canal that left him in pain. And on the Redskins' first offensive series — already trailing 10-0 — he slipped, wrenched his knee and lay immobile on the turf for several seconds that felt like forever to Redskins fans.

"It was a little pain, but with an opportunity to play in the Super Bowl, if you can't play with a little pain..." Williams said. "The most important thing was I got up."

That's among the more powerful memories three decades later for Brian Norwood, associate head coach at Tulsa, who was reared in a Redskins-loving family and whose son Jordan was a member of the Broncos' 2016 Super Bowl-winning team.

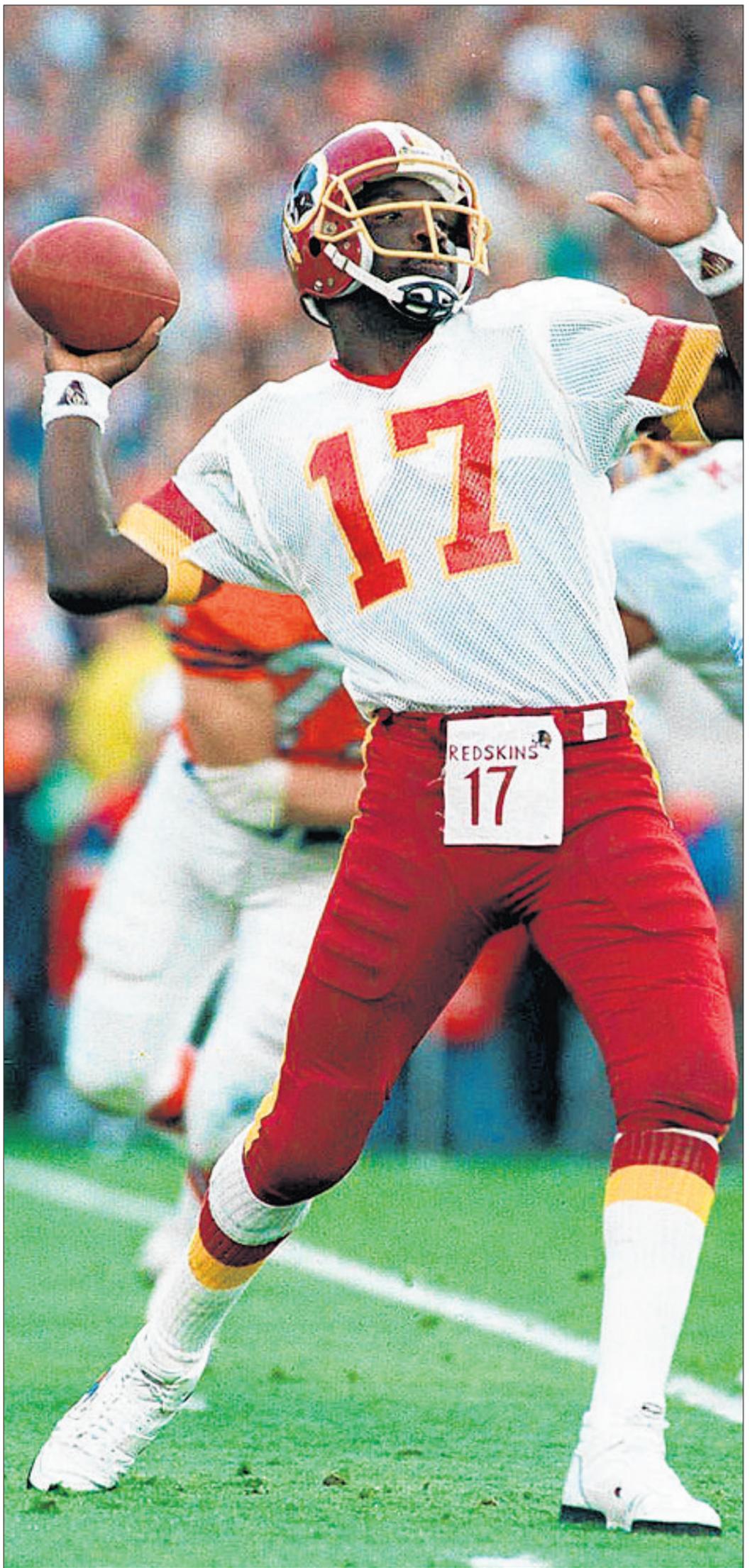
"Doug Williams opened a door for African-American players and quarterbacks to be evaluated and looked at in a different light," Norwood said in a telephone interview. "He fought through the injury and showed such a high level of leadership, character, poise and discipline. All the things you look for in a quarterback, Williams displayed that Sunday in front of all eyes."

**Peete, whose 16-year NFL career** included one season as a backup in Washington, said he feels stereotypes about black quarterbacks are "90 percent done with," adding, "I think there are still some issues with old-school factions in the NFL."

The way Peete says he measures progress is the increase in the number of black quarterbacks chosen in the first round of the NFL draft.

"Before, it would be very rare you'd see a black quarterback go high," said Peete, a sixth-round pick in 1989 despite his Heisman runner-up credentials. "They'd get drafted late and have to earn their way. In that respect, it has changed."

In 1999, three of the five quarterbacks chosen in the first round were black (McNabb, Akili Smith and



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Doug Williams' performance in Super Bowl XXII dispelled the myth that black quarterbacks weren't suited to the role.

Daunte Culpepper). In 2001, Michael Vick became the first black quarterback chosen first overall. He has since been followed by Jamaricus Russell (2007), Newton (2011) and Jameis Winston (2015).

But for decades black athletes who excelled at quarterback in high school and college were converted to other positions when they reached the NFL. The biases persisted well after the Bills in 1969 became the first NFL team to name a black quarterback, James "Shack" Harris, to start the season.

Peete, a three-sport star in high school, heard it as well.

"When I was being recruited in high school, there was still that stigma of the black quarterback: 'Can he handle it as a leadership position?' 'He's a great athlete, so let's put him at wide receiver or defensive

back,'" Peete recalled. "All those types of things."

Chief among the reasons Peete signed with USC was that the school not only let him play quarterback but also baseball. As he weighed whether to choose a pro career in the NFL or major leagues (he was also a star third baseman for the Trojans and drafted three times), Peete's black NFL quarterbacking role models were few — Warren Moon, who had gone undrafted in 1978 and earned his way in the NFL via six seasons in the Canadian Football League, Randall Cunningham and Williams.

Williams said he never confronted a coach who tried to talk him out of playing quarterback. That was among the myriad benefits of attending a historically black school, Grambling State, and learning the position from the legendary coach Eddie Robinson.

"When I went to Grambling, I wasn't a black quarterback — no way. I was just a quarterback at Grambling, so I didn't have to face that in college," Williams said, adding with a chuckle, "And I certainly didn't have to face that in the pros with the 4.7 I ran."

Though the number of black NFL quarterbacks has increased in recent decades, the specter of bias on a subtler level persists.

As April's draft nears, for example, questions about Louisville star Lamar Jackson's prospects as an NFL quarterback continue to percolate.

The 6-foot-3, 212-pound Jackson announced earlier this month that he would enter the draft one year after becoming the youngest Heisman winner in history. Some football analysts, dazzled by Jackson's dual-threat ability (he topped 3,500 passing yards and

1,500 rushing yards in back-to-back seasons), predict he'll go as high as sixth to the Jets.

Others eye him as a second-round pick, apparently sharing concerns aired by an unidentified ACC coach about his accuracy and ability to read defenses.

Veteran NFL executive and Hall of Fame inductee Bill Polian feels Jackson is best suited to wide receiver, pointing to his size and durability (although he's the same height and a few pounds heavier than Redskins quarterback Kirk Cousins and bigger overall than Drew Brees and Wilson).

"It's all about opportunity," Williams said. "If Joe Gibbs and Bobby Beathard and Jack Kent Cooke hadn't given me the opportunity 30 years ago, we wouldn't be sitting here having this conversation."

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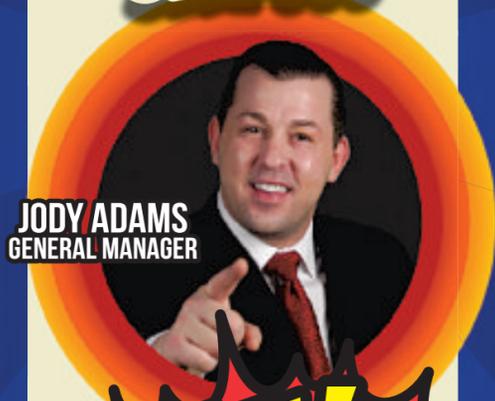
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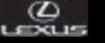
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## SUPER BOWL REPORT

# Super car ads — the report

By Patrick Masterson, Cars.com

When it comes to monocultural moments, you'd be hard-pressed to find an event that brings the American people together quite like the NFL's Super Bowl ... commercial breaks! As the big interludes approach on Feb. 4, a select few automakers are taking advantage of the primo Your-Ad-Here space and dropping spots (and a whole 'lotta dosh) to direct your attention toward their latest offerings.

Cars probably won't dominate the Monday-morning water cooler conversation quite as much as last year, however. Data in on Super Bowl 51 suggested that automotive ad spending was on the decline for the first time in six years as automakers offered up \$70.7 million. This year, only Kia, Hyundai, Lexus and Toyota are confirmed for spots; Buick and Honda will be on the sidelines after appearing in 2017.

Even so, whether you're a Philadelphia Eagles fan relishing the prospect of revenge after 14 years of waiting, or a New England Patriots fan thoroughly unconcerned about this one because rings, man, everybody can feel a little bit better about themselves no matter the outcome after watching these commercials. Come, laugh and cry with us as we cavort through the below exercises in corporate psychology:

**Lexus LS 500 F Sport: Black Panther on the Prowl**  
Up first in pregame reveals is the

minute-long Lexus-Marvel Studios mashup for the LS 500 F Sport and the upcoming superhero movie, "Black Panther." In this extended version of the ad — a 30-second version will play during the actual Super Bowl — the Black Panther (Chadwick Boseman) starts on the roof of Nakia's LC 500 before recovering a tube of stolen vibranium from three hopelessly inept thieves who appear to be ... standing in the middle of the road at the exit of a tunnel for some reason. After a cut sequence of crimefighting, King T'Challa's cat-suit-clad alter-ego dead-sprints across the emptiest stretch of New York City tarmac we've ever seen to perfectly time a fall into the LS 500 F Sport being remotely piloted by Shuri, T'Challa's sister. Befitting the king of Wakanda, the slot ends at a "world leadership conference." Just another day in the life, then.

**Kia Stinger: Emmo Takes Two**  
Meanwhile, Kia's placement for the new Stinger, which we've driven and covered extensively, isn't technically out yet — isn't a teaser to an ad kinda like a press conference to say there's going to be a press conference? — but what we have so far is former double Formula One world champ and Indianapolis 500 winner Emerson Fittipaldi at an empty, twilight-laden racetrack in sore need of some sweeping with a pair of Stingers. Emmo nods silently at one as he leans on the other, his magnificent sideburns disguising wrinkles wrought from a lifetime of going fast. What is he thinking? How did he get two cars to this track? Will he clean up the grandstand in the full ad? For now, the answers lie tantalizingly out of reach.



## Just in time for Super Bowl — tailgate theft on decline

The 2018 tailgating season may be coming to a close, sports fans — or at least a few months' pause before Major League Baseball starts up again in the spring. But all you pregame parking-lot partiers can rest easy: The titular tailgate of your favorite sports-spectating pastime is a little safer this year. According to the National Insurance Crime Bureau, the incidence of tailgate theft has leveled off over the past few years.

The Des Plaines, Ill.-based insurance-crime investigators of the NICB said in a new report that 1,788 tailgate thefts occurred in 2017. That's 89 fewer incidents than in 2016 and 6 percent less overall since 2014. The report is based on insurance claims, meaning the number of uninsured or unreported tailgates taken could be higher, though the data is still indicative of a downward trend in this particular car crime.

The NICB says tailgate theft is a lucrative business proposition for crooks, as the average cost of replacement outweighs the risk of acquiring one via the ol' five-finger discount.

"With new tailgates retailing around \$1,300, with even higher costs for some variants, the demand contributes to a thriving underground market for vehicle

parts — a market fed with parts removed from stolen vehicles," NICB said in a statement.

**The top five states for tailgate theft, including the combined figure for 2016 and 2017, were:**

- 5. Nevada, 107 thefts
- 4. Arizona, 156
- 3. Florida, 240
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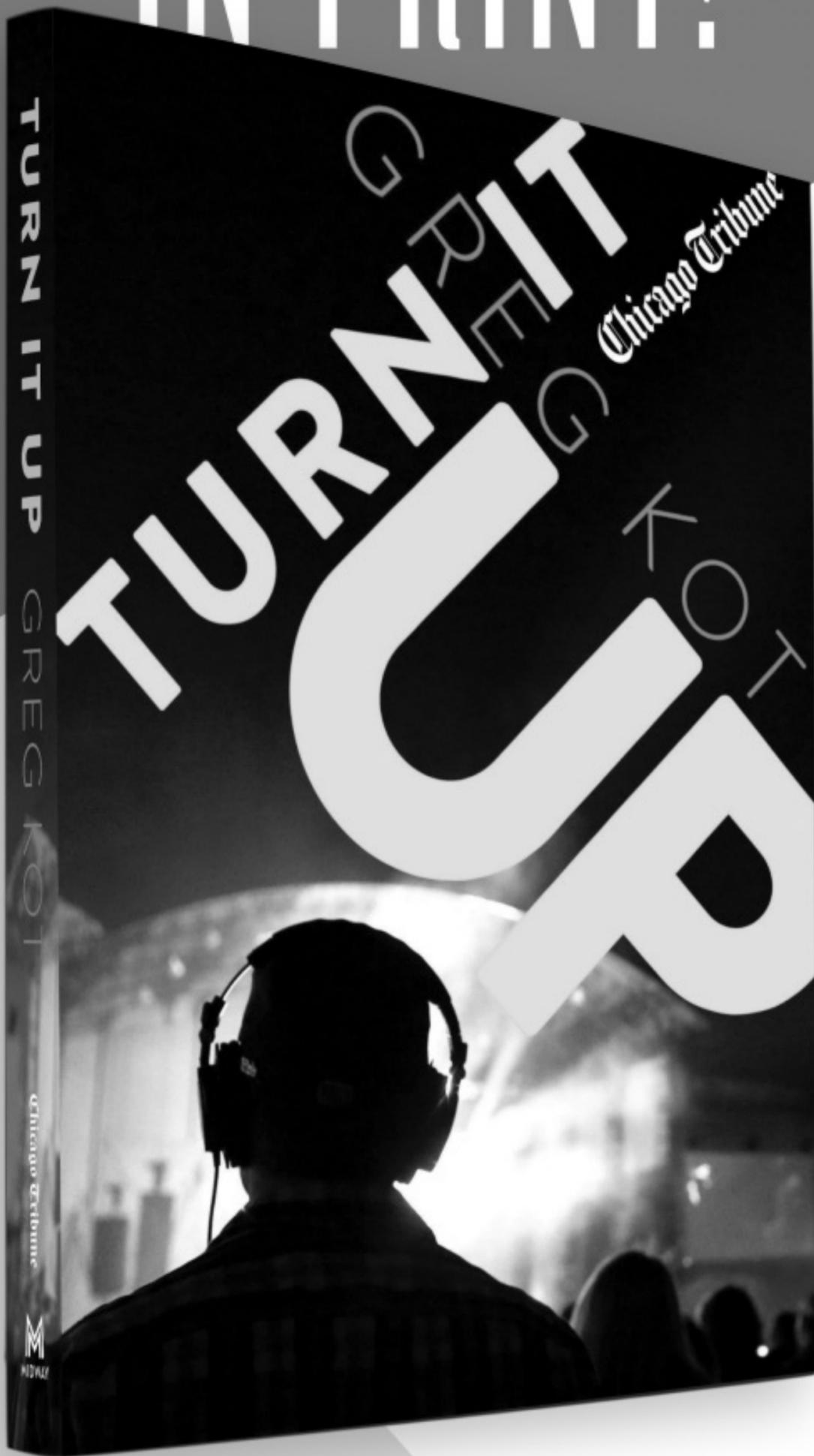
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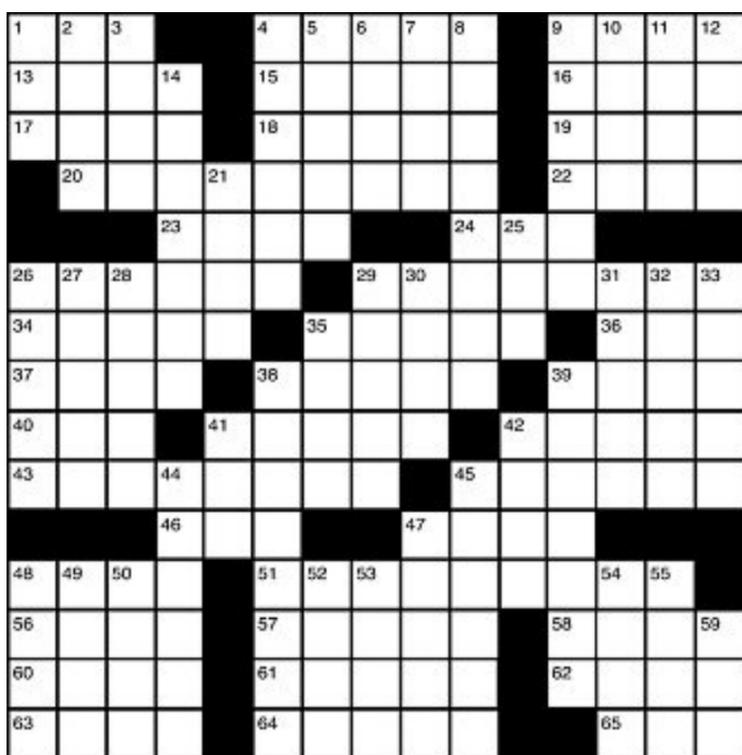
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### ACROSS

- 1 Actor McBride
- 4 Uses a sieve
- 9 Strong desire
- 13 Forbids entry to
- 15 Chris of tennis
- 16 Invalid
- 17 Dinner in a sty
- 18 Revolving engine part
- 19 Bird's bill
- 20 Count
- 22 Chances
- 23 Wee
- 24 Org. for Ducks and Penguins
- 26 Ending for in or happen
- 29 Sailing races
- 34 Golfer \_\_\_ Els
- 35 Catchers' gloves
- 36 Ms. Thurman
- 37 \_\_\_ at; view
- 38 Be a freeloader
- 39 Boast
- 40 Depressed
- 41 Dirtiness
- 42 Actor Tony \_\_\_
- 43 Spends lavishly
- 45 Young ladies
- 46 And not
- 47 "The \_\_\_, the merrier"
- 48 Move smoothly
- 51 Car crashes

### DOWN

- 1 "60 Minutes" network
- 2 Vigorous
- 3 Material for a knight's armor
- 4 Peaceful
- 5 Bar soap brand
- 6 Crumbly cheese
- 7 Horse's gait
- 8 Might; power
- 9 Loosen a metal fastener
- 10 Regretted
- 11 Thrilled
- 12 Forest animals
- 14 First artificial Earth satellite
- 21 Mickey and Minnie
- 25 \_\_\_-been; one no longer popular
- 26 \_\_\_ down the river; betrays

### Solutions



- 27 Scout group
- 28 As wise as \_\_\_
- 29 Public uprisings
- 30 Engrave
- 31 Revolves
- 32 Astonish
- 33 Long stories
- 35 Burrowing animal
- 38 Debilitating headache
- 39 Barkless dog
- 41 To and \_\_\_
- 42 Crucial
- 44 Sick
- 45 Unassuming; not arrogant
- 47 Bishop's hat
- 48 Ran away
- 49 Feast at which roast pig might be served
- 50 Monster
- 52 Central point
- 53 German chocolate \_\_\_
- 54 Hammer or wrench
- 55 Location
- 59 Unpleasant spouse

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