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Incumbent Cook County Assessor Joseph Berrios conceded the race Tuesday outside Lazo's Tacos on the Northwest Side.

Berrios concedes to Kaegi in Cook assessor's primary

3rd candidate, Andrea Raila, asks for count to be voided, but motion denied

BY HAL DARDICK, RAY LONG AND JOE MAHR | Chicago Tribune

In an outcome likely to send political shock waves across the state, beleaguered incumbent Joseph Berrios conceded Tuesday night to challenger Fritz Kaegi in the primary contest for Cook County assessor as vote totals showed him far behind.

If Kaegi's victory stands — a third candidate filed a legal challenge Tuesday evening — it would also mark a loss for the Cook County Democratic establishment

Berrios leads and for his ally, state party Chairman Michael Madigan.

With 96 percent of the ballots counted, Kaegi had 45 percent of the vote to Berrios' 34 percent, according to unofficial election night results. The other candidate, Andrea Raila, had 21 percent.

Berrios conceded the race outside Lazo's Tacos on the Northwest Side, where he went for an election night gathering with supporters. "The election was done," he told reporters. "The results are the results."

Inside, Berrios briefly spoke into a

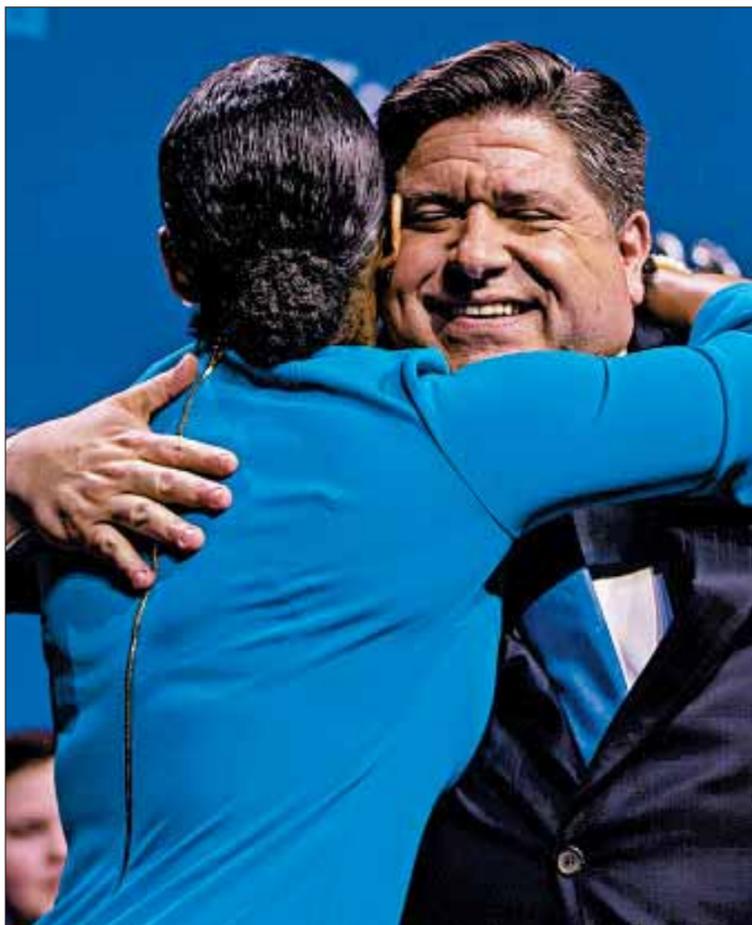
microphone to the crowd, saying that there is "no way we can come back" from the vote deficit and that he congratulated Kaegi. "I look forward to working with him," he said.

The momentum for Kaegi, a mutual fund asset manager from Oak Park, was built on his pledge to make the property tax assessment system fairer. That theme was bolstered by "The Tax Divide," a series by the Chicago Tribune and ProPublica Illinois that found assessments under Berrios

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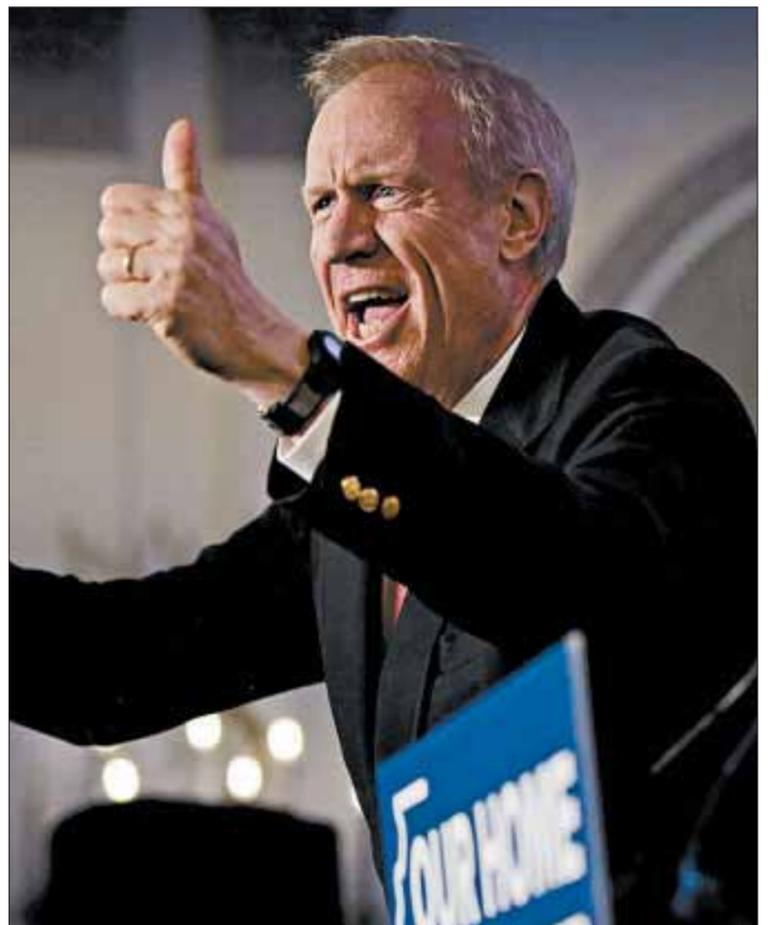
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1 decisive victory, 1 close call set up big-money showdown for Springfield



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Democratic governor candidate J.B. Pritzker celebrates his primary win Tuesday night with his running mate, state Rep. Juliana Stratton, at the Marriott Marquis Chicago.



E. JASON WAMBSGANS/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Gov. Bruce Rauner declares victory in the Republican primary at an election night celebration at the Hilton Chicago. The governor won a tight race against Rep. Jeanne Ives.

Record self-funded campaign pushes billionaire to Democratic nomination

BY RICK PEARSON | Chicago Tribune

Billionaire J.B. Pritzker cruised to victory Tuesday night in the Illinois Democratic governor primary, his record-setting \$70 million campaign allowing him to build a formidable operation his underfunded rivals could not overcome.

"I'm J.B. Pritzker, and I'm going to beat Bruce Rauner," said the candidate, who took the stage in a Chicago hotel ballroom to the song "Go Big or Go Home" by the group American Authors. "And together, we're going to put Springfield back on the side of working families."

With 81 percent of the state's precincts counted, Pritzker had 46 percent of the vote compared with 26 percent for state Sen. Daniel Biss of Evanston and 24 percent for Kenilworth developer Chris Kennedy. Trailing far behind were anti-

violence advocate Tio Hardiman of Chicago; Bob Daiber, the lone Downstate candidate in the race; and perennial candidate Robert Marshall from Burr Ridge.

Pritzker did well in Chicago and the suburbs. With nearly 90 percent of the city's precincts counted, Pritzker had 45 percent of the vote to Biss' 27 percent and Kennedy's 24 percent. But Pritzker also was holding at least 40 percent of the vote in the suburbs and racking up 60 percent of the vote or more in several smaller Downstate counties.

Pritzker, a Hyatt Hotels heir and Gold Coast investor, got into the race in April. He dipped into his fortune to pay for tens of millions of dollars' worth of TV ads across the state and put together an active

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Incumbent 'honored, humbled' by win against conservative challenger

BY KIM GEIGER | Chicago Tribune

Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner narrowly defeated state Rep. Jeanne Ives on Tuesday night, escaping a primary challenge from a conservative lawmaker he'd once dismissed as a "fringe" candidate.

The first-term governor congratulated his challenger "on her principled stand" and called on Republicans to join together for the fall contest against Democrat J.B. Pritzker.

"I am honored and humbled by this victory," Rauner said. "You have given me the chance to win the battle against the corruption that plagues Illinois."

"To those around the state of Illinois who wanted to send me a message, let me be clear," Rauner said. "I have heard you. I have traveled the state and I have listened to you. While we disagree on some things,

let's commit to working together on what unites us — the reforms we need to save our state."

With 87 percent of Illinois precincts reporting, unofficial returns had Rauner with 51.6 percent of the vote to 48.4 percent for Ives.

Rauner carried the city and suburban Cook County, but the candidates were neck and neck in the collar counties, with DuPage County votes still outstanding. Downstate, Rauner had a slight lead over Ives.

The closeness of the contest represents a significant blow to a deep-pocketed governor who began his primary campaign a year ago with an eye toward the general election, not expecting to have to defend himself to Republican voters.

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President Donald Trump is said to have ignored warnings from his own aides in his congratulatory call to Vladimir Putin on the Russian president's re-election victory. **Nation & World**, Page 16

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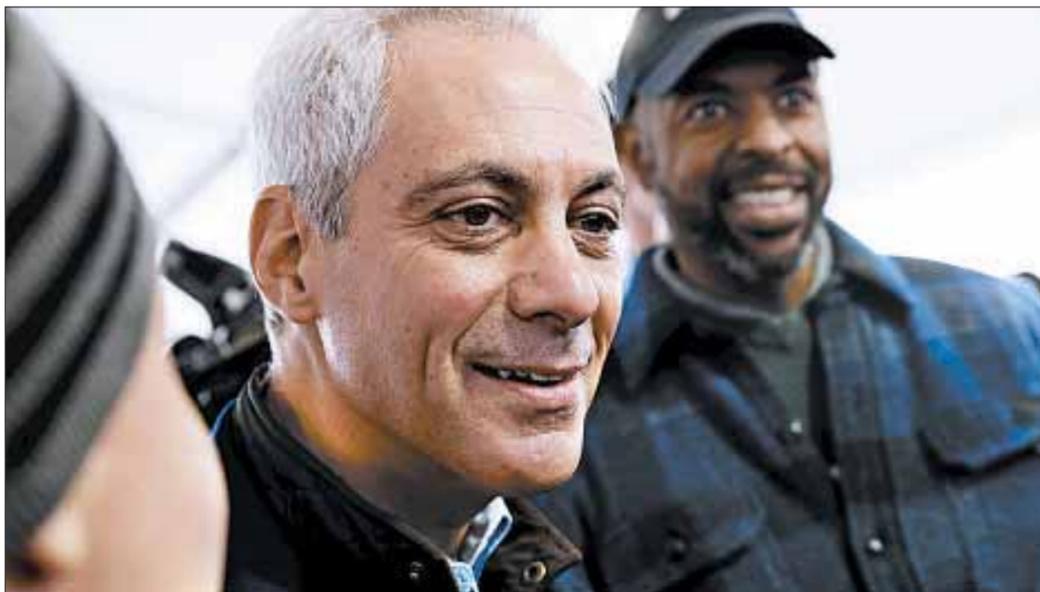
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Mayor Rahm Emanuel, shown in January, is gearing up for the 2019 campaign in which some see him as vulnerable.



JOHN KASS

No downtime in politics as Emanuel hunts votes

Many of you might think that after Tuesday's Illinois primary elections are over, politics will take a step back in our lives.

Are you joking?
Chicago's main event is the 2019 campaign for mayor, and it begins now.

Mayor Rahm Emanuel, considered competent yet unlikable, is trying to hold on to the job handed to him on a platter years ago by Chicago's ruling class.

Chicago is a different city than it was back when Emanuel mentioned on the "Charlie Rose" show, perhaps a bit too casually, that he'd like to be mayor someday. And it was done.

But this time around, where does Rahm think he'll get his votes?

The North Shore? The studio audience at the Jimmy Kimmel show?

Emanuel seems to be taking every opportunity to get out of town.

He's traveling again this weekend, this time to Puerto Rico with his new BFF, outgoing U.S. Rep. Luis Guterrez. They'll bring much-needed supplies to the island smashed by a hurricane. I suppose camera crews will record it all for future campaign commercials.

I almost thought about asking if I could tag along, but I'd never share a room with those two. The last thing I need is to see Rahm and Luis' skinny legs in black dress socks. And besides, I snore, and they're important individuals who need their sleep.

"Where does Rahm get his votes?" asked a Chicago political insider, echoing what all Chicago political people are asking. "He's all over the place, on tour, on talk shows, in Washington, and at colleges, going all over the country, fundraising and looking for love.

"But those places aren't Chicago. You win with votes in Chicago. So where does he get his votes?"

Not with city workers in Jefferson Park or Mount Greenwood. Not with cops or firefighters. Not with teachers.

And after the Laquan McDonald case goes to trial, I don't see him

picking up a huge chunk of African-American votes either. Not after TV news plays the police shooting video again and again during the trial of Officer Jason Van Dyke, the video that City Hall sat on until after Emanuel's last re-election was safely secure.

Meanwhile, a long list of credible challengers is lining up against him, from former Chicago Public Schools CEO Paul Vallas to former federal prosecutor Lori Lightfoot; and former Chicago police Superintendent Garry McCarthy is expected to announce his candidacy Thursday.

I don't know if McCarthy could win, but as a candidate talking about the city's crime problems, he'd kick Emanuel where it hurts again and again. He'd tenderize the mayoral prerogatives.

Vallas clearly could run Chicago's government on day one. That gives him instant credibility with voters and powerful city institutions. But he and his family have been grieving the recent loss of their youngest son, Mark.

Vallas told me he hasn't ruled out a mayoral challenge.

"My position hasn't changed," Vallas said. "I have to determine whether I can secure the resources to get our message out. I'll make my decision in the coming weeks."

Lightfoot, who is African-American, has not publicly discussed a mayoral challenge. But at a recent speech before the City Club of Chicago and in later remarks, she loudly set the stage for one.

She backs a civilian police review board with the power to fire police superintendents whether the mayor likes it or not. Lightfoot made it clear that if Emanuel tries to put off the idea of civilian control beyond the 2019 city elections, that there would be political hell to pay.

"Any effort to stall it and not let it see the light of day, not engage in the City Council process that I think our good aldermen here envision, I think will be met with extreme, extreme hostility and it will be taken out on them in February 2019," the Tribune

quoted Lightfoot as saying.

In his last election, Emanuel was compelled to spend over \$20 million just to eke out a victory against Chuy Garcia in a runoff. Garcia wasn't a top candidate. And African-American voters and politicians abandoned Garcia to support Emanuel. But that was before the McDonald video.

And wearing a soft fuzzy sweater and talking to voters as if he's reading a mayoral Winnie the Pooh bedtime story won't cut it this time.

Emanuel has been able to buy off black aldermen with budget perks. But Lightfoot could peel black aldermen away from him.

There are other challengers as well, including announced candidate Troy LaRaviere, president of the Chicago Principals Association. West Side businessman Willie Wilson also wants to run.

And reform Ald. Scott Waguespack, 32nd, a thoughtful progressive who leads on ethics issues, is mulling a campaign.

If all these candidates agreed at the outset to back the winning challenger in a runoff against Emanuel, he'd be toast. And it's his job to set them off against each other so they bleed.

Don't sell him short. The mayor is a master at media and he's a prolific fundraiser, and he'll have much more in his campaign war chest than the others.

Emanuel is whip-smart. He knows his business. I don't call him The Rahmfather for nothing.

But where are his votes?
That's what campaigns are all about.

So politics isn't over with Tuesday's election. You hoped it was, but politics in Chicago never ends.

Just when you thought you were out, it drags you back in.

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By Kim Janssen, Tracy Swartz and Phil Thompson



Alert Chicago teen enlists Florida activist's aid

They crossed paths at a Michigan Avenue eatery, but by the time it was over, a 13-year-old Chicago girl says, she convinced student activist and gun control advocate **Emma Gonzalez** to help with a local project.

Jayden Eickhoff-Brown pounced after she spotted Gonzalez dining with her family downtown Saturday.

She immediately recognized the buzz-cut of Gonzalez, 18, a survivor of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting in Parkland, Fla., who "called BS" on the National Rifle Association and has emerged as a powerful na-

tional voice on gun control since the Feb. 14 atrocity that left 17 students and staff dead.

"I told her everything we have been doing to push for gun control and how I looked up to her," a buzzing Jayden told Chicago Inc. "I asked her if she would collaborate with us on an open letter we are sending to legislators and she said, 'Of course.'"

Gonzalez, who now has more than twice as many followers on Twitter as the NRA has, earlier this month invited Chicago students who have been affected by gun violence to a pool party at her Florida home, where they dis-

cussed how they could work together.

She was in Chicago over the weekend to meet with Chicago Public Schools students at St. Sabina Church.

Jayden, who is the vice president of the student council at South Loop Elementary School, said she and fellow students are planning an April 20 walkout, with their teachers' blessings, to call for stricter gun control.

A photo she grabbed of herself with Gonzalez on Saturday has received 10,000 likes on Twitter.

— Kim Janssen



SOUTH LOOP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

South Loop Elementary student Jayden Eickhoff-Brown, left, has a moment with Emma Gonzalez of Marjory Stoneman Douglas High.

Gasteyer gushes about alma mater NU

Ana Gasteyer's enthusiasm for Northwestern University is no joke.

The "Saturday Night Live" veteran is slated to sing at the star-studded Northwestern alumni show **Stephen Colbert** is emceeing April 21 in Evanston — not that Gasteyer needs an excuse to return to her alma mater.

"It's just a really easy thing to say yes to," Gasteyer said by phone. "I loved going to Northwestern. I loved my peers and colleagues. I loved campus life, the classes and professors. So I really feel that I owe the school a great debt, just in terms of my personal experience and my education, but then on top of that, the impact the school had on my career moving forward is kind of immeasurable."

A Washington, D.C., native, Gasteyer graduated from the School of Communication in 1989. She was initially a voice major, but then she "fell down a comedy rabbit hole" and switched to theater studies. She joined the Mee-Ow Show, the school's improv comedy group.

She went on to perform with the Groundlings, a Los Angeles improv-sketch troupe, and the "SNL" cast for six seasons. The Brooklyn resident now stars on the TBS comedy "People of Earth." She said a film project with her female colleagues from "SNL" is in the works.

Gasteyer served as grand marshal for the 2014 Northwestern homecoming parade and repped the school with her 10-year-old son, **Ulysses**, when the men's basketball team played Penn State University on March 1 in New York City.

"My children are irritated with how much I love the school," Gasteyer said with a laugh. When asked if she will encourage her kids to apply there, she said, "Let me put it this way: Everybody has a number of Northwestern sweatshirts in the proper sizes."

Other celebs expected to perform at the



ANDREW PARSONS PHOTO

Ana Gasteyer is set to perform at a star-studded Northwestern alumni show April 21.

"A Starry Night" show at the Ryan Fieldhouse include "A Bad Moms Christmas" star **Kathryn Hahn**, "Law and Order: Special Victims Unit" veteran **Stephanie March** and "ER" alums **Laura Innes** and **Sharif Atkins**. The show closes out the two-day CommFest to showcase

the work of students and alumni of the School of Communication.

Tickets cost \$100 (for student admission) to \$1,500 (for priority seating and access to special events).

— Tracy Swartz

Schweinsteiger and Ivanovic welcome baby

Bastian Schweinsteiger and his wife, **Ana Ivanovic**, announced the birth of their son, **Luka**, on social media this week.

"Welcome to the world our little boy! We are so happy," the Fire midfielder posted to Twitter and Instagram along with a picture of his and Ivanovic's hands next to the baby's feet.

According to Tennis.com and other media reports, Luka was born in a Chicago hospital, though the time and place weren't specified.

Ivanovic, a retired tennis star who won the 2008 French Open, tweeted on her account, "Words can not describe the joy and the happiness we feel in our hearts!" along with a photo of an "It's a boy!" sign and blue stuffed animals.

It has been quite a week for Schweinsteiger: first the arrival of his first child, then he hung out with **Roger Federer** on Monday when the tennis legend was in Chicago to promote the upcoming Laver Cup.

He also gave Federer some tourist tips and threw in his own request for some parental words of wisdom. "You should visit Chicago Riverwalk, the bean, and if you have time to catch up to give me some advice on fatherhood."

Federer is a father of four.

— Phil Thompson



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The Fire's Bastian Schweinsteiger with his wife, Ana Ivanovic.

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Naperville man could soon be released from prison

Pleads guilty to charge in federal stash house sting

BY JASON MEISNER
Chicago Tribune

Leslie Mayfield was once facing 22 years in federal prison for his conviction in a phony drug stash house sting.

On Tuesday, nearly nine years after his arrest, the Naperville man pleaded guilty to a single charge and could soon be released from custody pending sentencing because he's essentially served his time.

In entering his guilty plea, Mayfield became the first of dozens of Chicago-area defendants who are expected to win reduced sentences amid allegations of racial bias in the stash house stings led by the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

The development comes after a handful of judges in recent weeks placed unusual pressure on the U.S. attorney's office to rethink its approach to the cases, most of which have dragged on for five years or more.

Dressed in an orange jail jumpsuit, Mayfield, now 49, spoke softly as he pleaded guilty to one count

of conspiracy to commit a robbery by force. Preliminary federal guidelines call for up to about 12 years in prison, but with credit for good behavior and other factors, he's likely to get less, his lawyers told U.S. District Judge Edmond Chang.

"We believe Mr. Mayfield has already served the entirety of his sentence," said Erica Zunkel, associate director of the Federal Criminal Justice Clinic at the University of Chicago Law School.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Maureen Merin told the judge her office would need to review the numbers before weighing in on any bond request likely to be filed within days.

The Tribune detailed Mayfield's case in a front-page story last year that highlighted the growing battle over whether the ATF stings unfairly targeted blacks and Hispanics. In a landmark hearing in December, nine federal judges overseeing cases involving a total of 43 defendants — including Mayfield — heard testimony from dueling policing experts who came to dramatically different conclusions.

Last week, U.S. District Chief Judge Ruben Castillo ruled that the stash house stings have an ugly racial

component and should be discontinued, but he stopped short of dismissing the charges in the two cases he was presiding over.

These "cases have served to undermine legitimate law enforcement efforts in this country," Castillo said in his 73-page ruling. "It is time for these false stash house cases to end and be relegated to the dark corridors of our past."

Chang had been poised to issue a ruling of his own on the racial bias issue, but Mayfield's guilty plea means that the judge's decision likely will never be made public. As part of his plea agreement, in fact, Mayfield dropped his pending motion to have the indictment against him dismissed for racially selective law enforcement.

A staple of the ATF playbook since the mid-1990s, the phony stash house sting uses the promise of a big score to target what are supposed to be dangerous criminals. In reality, the stash houses — as well as the drugs, cash and armed guards purportedly inside — were dreamed up by agents.

In addition to allegations of racism, the prosecutions have been criticized because agents can arbitrarily jack up the charges by increasing the amount of

fake drugs the defendants are purportedly trying to rob — a move that can lead to stiff sentences of up to life behind bars.

Mayfield's original 22-year sentence was due in large part to the two drug conspiracy counts he was convicted on — counts that prosecutors agreed to drop in exchange for his guilty plea.

The way the 13 Chicago-area stash house cases are playing out is being closely watched by law enforcement and defense attorneys across the country because hundreds of similar stings have been used over the past two decades. While judges in other districts have criticized the operations for inventing crime and targeting vulnerable people, Castillo's ruling was the first to call them out on issues of race.

Mayfield was targeted in 2009 while working a full-time job and trying to get his life back on track after a stint in prison. He agreed to go along with the crime only after a co-worker, Jeffrey Potts, also a convicted felon, repeatedly dangled the offer in front of him, telling Mayfield he shouldn't be working for "chump change."

Potts then introduced Mayfield to an undercover ATF agent posing as a



FAMILY PHOTO 2014

Leslie Mayfield, of Naperville, was arrested in 2009 and convicted in a phony drug house sting.

disgruntled drug courier. Mayfield was arrested after showing up to the meeting site for the robbery with three accomplices he'd recruited for the job. The crew brought four guns with them, along with ski masks, bulletproof vests and latex gloves, according to his plea agreement.

At his original sentencing hearing seven years ago, Mayfield owned up to his role in the robbery but insisted in a long and emotional plea to the court that the government had vastly exaggerated his capabilities and penchant for violence.

"They say I had a drug crew? We couldn't even afford a cellphone," a transcript quoted Mayfield as telling the judge. "We didn't even have a car when the agent came across me. I tried everything I could to be a better person."

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Groups to get say on consent decree

Black Lives Matter, others will help guide CPD reforms

BY JEREMY GORNER
Chicago Tribune

Black Lives Matter and a coalition of other community groups have won a seat at the table as the city of Chicago and the state attorney general's office hash out a consent decree that would guide reforms to the troubled Police Department.

The agreement comes on the heels of three lawsuits filed last year against the city, urging Mayor Rahm Emanuel to allow a judge to oversee an overhaul of the Police Department in the wake of a U.S. Department of Justice report that found the department was deficient in training and supervision and prone to excessive force.

Word of the agreement came Tuesday evening as news organizations devoted their resources to covering the primary election.

The community groups, a coalition of legal firms and the ACLU of Illinois — plaintiffs in the pending federal lawsuits — hailed the deal as a major step in the fight for oversight of the Police Department.

The agreement will give a prominent role to groups that have been staunchly critical of police and the city's oversight and discipline of officers. If precedent holds, Tuesday night's news will not sit well with police union leaders, who have complained that officers are unfairly portrayed as prone to misconduct.

Under the agreement, the groups can provide input as the city and the attorney general's office continue to negotiate the terms of the consent decree. Once the decree is in place, they can push for enforcement if the department fails to follow through.

Following the appointment of an independent monitor overseen by a federal judge, the community groups have been promised quarterly meetings with the monitor — outside the presence of city and state officials — to discuss the city's compliance, according to the agreement.

The community groups have 60 days to propose what they think should be part of the consent decree.

The community groups agreed to put a hold on their lawsuits for now but could move to revive them if the consent decree hasn't been filed in federal court before Sept. 1.

The ACLU's lawsuit in October alleged that Chicago's police reform efforts have neglected how officers are trained to handle people with mental illnesses or developmental disabilities. The suit sought a permanent injunction to block the city from continuing what it calls its current practices "of using unlawful force against black and Latino people and individuals with disabilities."

Earlier in 2017, two lawsuits were filed by Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan and about 15 lawyers representing African-American plaintiffs who allege they were victims of excessive force and other abuses by Chicago police. That suit, which includes groups such as Black Lives Matter, was filed days after Emanuel backed away from his pledge to sign a consent decree.

The Justice Department report was prompted by the court-ordered release in November 2015 of video showing Officer Jason Van Dyke shooting Laquan McDonald 16 times.

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Black doctor's path proves that examples matter

OB-GYN hopes he can be a model for young black men



LOLLY BOWEAN

The first time Pierre Johnson met a black physician, he was 9 years old.

He accompanied his pregnant mother to see her gynecologist, who happened to be African-American. When Johnson looked at him, he saw a more mature version of himself.

"He was down-to-earth, and he answered all my questions," he said. "He let me hear the baby's heartbeat."

"He broke it down on a rudimentary level, and it was fascinating. It grabbed my attention. He walked me through the delivery, and it was just awesome," Johnson said.

The encounter left an impression. Not only did Johnson keep in touch with Dr. John E. Patterson III, he also later interviewed him and wrote about him for a high school class. And today Johnson, 37, is a physician who treats women and delivers babies at hospitals in south suburban Harvey and Flossmoor.

Johnson said meeting that doctor was one of the main reasons he decided to become an obstetrician and gynecologist. He describes the experience in his book "Pulse of Perseverance," which details his journey from Chatham on the South Side through medical school and into practice.



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has today off.

As a child, he saw drug abuse and domestic violence up close, he writes in the book. He attended troubled public schools and underfunded Catholic schools. When he made it to college at Xavier University in New Orleans, he found his education hadn't properly prepared him to study at that level.

Still, he formed a bond with other pre-med students and they pushed each other to endure and achieve.

Johnson says his story isn't meant to be just inspirational but instructional. He gives practical advice so that his readers can learn to navigate obstacles and failures the way he did.

"Multiple problems affect our young black men," he said. "I had someone — a professional who was supposed to guide me — tell me I wasn't smart enough to be a doctor and the only thing I was good at was transporting patients."

"I want this book to show these kids exactly how to become a doctor," he said, his voice rising with passion. "Failure is not an option. If you fail a test and you stumble, it's not the end of the world. You pick yourself up."

He was young when he became obsessed with trying to understand how babies were created and born. But seeing Patterson — a man who looked like him and who spoke directly to him and offered guidance — affirmed for Johnson that he could do it too.

As I read Johnson's story, and spoke with him, what resonated with me most was the far-reaching impact of representation. It is meaningful for young African-American children to see examples of themselves, not just on television but in their everyday lives.

I was a young student when I met a black journalist at my hometown paper. Meeting her affirmed for me that there was a place in newsrooms where I'd fit. As I pursued



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Pierre Johnson, who treats women and delivers babies in the south suburbs, said meeting his mother's obstetrician and gynecologist as a boy left a positive impression on him.

writing as a career, I never doubted I could get the job done or felt uncomfortable, because I had so many examples to lean on. The first was Jacquelyn Brown.

Often, I have wondered what career path I would have chosen if I had met an engineer, sculptor or pharmacist before I met Brown.

In the black community, we talk a lot about what it means for our children to see heroes who look like them and who come from neighborhoods and communities similar to theirs.

It's not just black children who need to see those images. People of other races need to see the examples of excellence too. Decision-makers, policymakers, employers need to have their eyes trained to see talent in diverse communities.

Johnson's book covers a

lot of ground. It tells his own story, but also the stories of his close friends Maxime Madhere and Joseph Semien Jr., whom he met while studying in New Orleans.

But I fixated on Johnson's experiences, since his story is so much about growing up in the Chicago region.

When I spoke with him, Johnson said he worries that the medical field has fewer African-American men now than it did in years past.

He's right. According to the Association of American Medical Colleges, in 1978, 1,410 black men applied to U.S. medical schools.

But in 2014, that number was 1,337. The decline is true of many professional fields.

Johnson and I both believe adequate represen-

tation and active mentoring can change that and create pipelines.

When Dr. Patterson met the young Johnson as a boy, he had no idea he was mentoring, he told me. He also grew up on the South Side. And he went into medicine because he was impressed by a pediatrician — also a black man. So when Patterson met Johnson, he wanted his interaction to have an impact.

"I told him just to believe in himself. There will always be naysayers, but keep on," Patterson said.

Patterson said he has one final wish for Johnson. "All I'm interested in is him paying it forward," he said.

With his book, Johnson is hoping to do just that.

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Cop charged with sexually assaulting suspect at hospital

Officer held on \$200,000 bail, facing suspension

BY MEGAN CREPEAU
Chicago Tribune

An on-duty Chicago police officer sexually assaulted a suspect in his custody last month at a South Side hospital, Cook County prosecutors alleged Tuesday.

Carlyle Calhoun, 46, a 10-year department veteran, was ordered held on \$200,000 bail on charges of aggravated criminal sexual assault and official misconduct.

In court, prosecutors said police seized incriminating photos from Calhoun's cellphone and DNA evidence linked the officer to the crime.

Calhoun, who most recently had been assigned to the Gresham district, was relieved of his police powers and placed on paid desk duty early last month after police learned of the allegations, department spokesman Anthony Guglielmi said. The department will move to suspend him without pay since he has been criminally charged, he said.

The male victim, whose age was not given, was arrested early Feb. 3 on a misdemeanor charge. When he expressed suicidal

thoughts, Calhoun and another officer were assigned to take him to St. Bernard Hospital and guard him while he underwent observation, prosecutors said.

When the other officer left to eat, Calhoun began to massage the man's bare foot as his left hand and foot were shackled to the bed, Assistant State's Attorney Ahmed Kosoko said.

Calhoun then grabbed the victim's genitals and took a cellphone photo of them, Kosoko said.

After the other officer returned, Calhoun escorted the man to a bathroom down a hall, according to the prosecutor. Inside, he sexually assaulted the man despite his protests to stop and again took a photo of his genitals, Kosoko said.

Within minutes after Calhoun left, the man told hospital staff about what had happened. Swabs taken from the victim matched Calhoun's DNA, and revealing photos of the victim were recovered from Calhoun's phone, Kosoko said.

Calhoun's attorney, Tammy Wendt, noted that Calhoun is a respected police officer with no criminal background. In November, she said, he negotiated with a knife-wielding man for three hours to ensure the safe return of the man's daughter. In addition, he helps care for his elderly mother, Wendt said.

Over Wendt's objections, Judge Sophia Atcherson said Calhoun must surrender any firearms in his possession if he posts bail. The judge did not grant prosecutors' request to place Calhoun on electronic monitoring if he is released from custody.

Wendt declined to speak with reporters after the hearing.

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SWAT responds after shooting

A Chicago Police Department SWAT team responded to a person-shot call Tuesday afternoon in the Far South Side Rosemoor neighborhood. The suspect, an 80-year-old man, was believed to have barricaded himself inside a home in the 10400 block of South King Drive, police said. The 22-year-old woman who was shot was taken to Advocate Christ Medical Center.

Man charged in Southwest Side standoff

Prosecutors: Shots fired in ex-wife's home, at police

BY LIAM FORD
Chicago Tribune

A man who sent his ex-wife threatening texts and a video of him loading a handgun fired a shot in her Chicago Lawn home and then fired on police officers who tried to get him to surrender during a weekend standoff, prosecutors said Tuesday.

Devante Wallace, 35, broke into his ex-wife's house in the 6400 block of South Karlov Avenue about 8 p.m. Sunday, and she, their young children and several of her relatives took refuge in an upstairs room while Wallace waited outside, prosecutors said. Judge Sophia Atcherson on Tuesday ordered Wallace held without bail on charges of attempted murder and home invasion.

Wallace's former wife, 32, lives with their children, ages 5 and 8, her

mother, 58, and other relatives, including a 14-year-old niece, 18-year-old nephew and 42-year-old cousin, at the home on Karlov, according to prosecutors.

Three days before the standoff, as Wallace picked up the 5-year-old son, Wallace had threatened to kill his ex-wife, and she filed a police report, prosecutors said. Wallace sent the woman numerous threatening texts over the next few days, then on Sunday dropped off their son and sent another threatening text and a video of him preparing a handgun with ammunition, prosecutors said.

Not long after 8 p.m. Sunday, Wallace went to the home on Karlov, knocked on the door and was told to leave, prosecutors said. Wallace broke a window in a door, got into the home and fired a shot into the house, prosecutors said.

His ex-wife and her mother ran upstairs and Wallace shot after them,

while the ex-wife's niece and nephew got the children into an upstairs room, where the ex-wife and her mother joined them soon after, prosecutors said. They barricaded the door, and Wallace followed them upstairs and waited outside the door, prosecutors said.

Two officers who were first at the scene went in and started going up the staircase, but Wallace shot at them, prosecutors said. The officers retreated to the first floor to take cover and tried to calm the gunman.

Firefighters used a ladder to get the children out of the upper-floor room while officers were talking to Wallace.

Wallace told officers he wouldn't put his gun down until "this thing is over" or words to that effect, and threatened officers, prosecutors said. Wallace told the officers something like "bring your a-up and get this over with," and said he could shoot the officers in the head, the

prosecutors said.

Wallace surrendered before 8:45 p.m., and police took into evidence a loaded .45-caliber handgun, according to authorities. Three .45-caliber shell casings were found at the scene, and they were matched to Wallace's gun, prosecutors said.

Prosecutors noted that Wallace's ex-wife had made a domestic battery allegation against him in an incident Dec. 3 in which she said he had hit her in the face, causing a concussion that required hospital treatment.

Wallace previously had been the subject of an order of protection requested by a woman with whom he shared a Joliet address, according to Will County court records. The order of protection was not pursued by the woman who requested it, but records show Wallace moved out of the home after the order was lodged in late February 2017.

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Beachgoers swim and play at Dunes State Park beach in northwest Indiana.

A SAND BLAST

Dunes tourism has huge economic impact at state park

By AMY LAVALLEY
Post-Tribune

Anyone who wants to know the power of tourism in Porter County need look no further than the numbers.

For eight years, the visitor center on Indiana 49 had roughly 75,000 visitors each year, Lorelei Weimer,

executive director of Indiana Dunes Tourism, told board members and community leaders March 15 during a tourism forecast presentation in Chesterton.

By 2016, the number of visitors broke 100,000, she said. Last year, 108,000 people came through the doors of the center. The center is operated in a partnership

with the National Park Service and slated for a \$1.8 million renovation, Weimer said, once the funds can be found.

"We grew up here in steel country and sometimes we forget how valuable tourism is," she said.

Tourism produced a \$413.4 million economic impact for Porter County in 2015, an 80 percent increase from 2000, and generated 5,075 jobs, she said.

Weimer said nearly 6 million people visit the county every year, and of that, 3.5 million people visit the dunes, making it the single most popular attraction in the state.

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore ranks seventh among the National Park Service's top attractions nationwide, Weimer said. The lakeshore is at the cusp of being named the park service's 60th national park. A bill passed the U.S. House of Representatives late last year and awaits approval by the U.S. Senate.

Seeing the lakeshore's ranking during a Power-Point presentation struck Paul Labovitz, the lakeshore's superintendent.

"We've known it all along, but to see it up there is fun," he said.

Indiana Dunes Tourism plays a tremendous role in boosting the park, he said.

"We grew up here in steel country and sometimes we forget how valuable tourism is."

— Lorelei Weimer, executive director of Indiana Dunes Tourism

Labovitz also said the National Park Service is bad at the promotion side of the business, but the tourism bureau stands out.

"Their name alone promotes us. At the National Park Service, we don't have a promotion function," he said. "There couldn't be a better deal for us both."

Tourism plays a critical role in drawing people to Indiana Dunes State Park as well, said Brandt Baughman, its property manager.

The park has several partnerships with Indiana Dunes Tourism, most visible is the 3 Dune Challenge, he said. According to the tourism bureau's annual report, the challenge, started in 2014 and encompassing hiking the three tallest dunes in the state on a 1.5-mile trail, has driven up gate fees at the park, from \$678,744 in 2013 to more than \$1.1 million last year.

"They should take more than some credit," Baughman said of the tourism bureau's role in the uptick in gate fees. "They've been excellent partners."

Baughman said he received visitor numbers for Indiana's state parks, and for the first time in decades, his park was the No. 1-visited park in the state system, overseen by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. According to the state website, the Indiana Dunes attracted 1.496 million visitors, followed by Brown County, near Bloomington, with 1.454 million.

The tourism bureau certainly played a role in that increase, Baughman said.

"Just over a decade ago, we were ranked seventh. The past seven or eight years, we've been a solid second," he said, "but this is the year we finally reached the top."

Amy Lavalley is a freelance reporter for the Post-Tribune.

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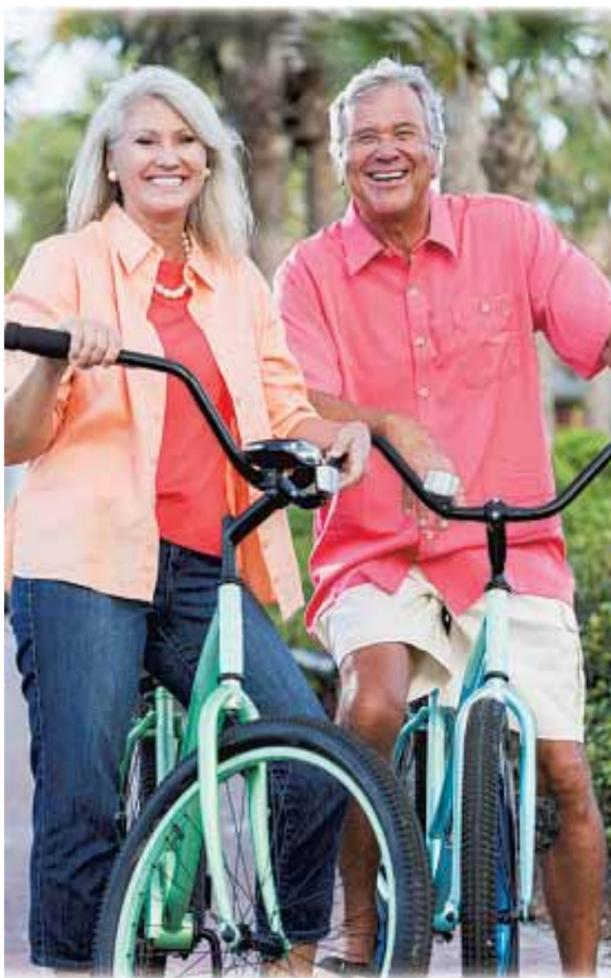
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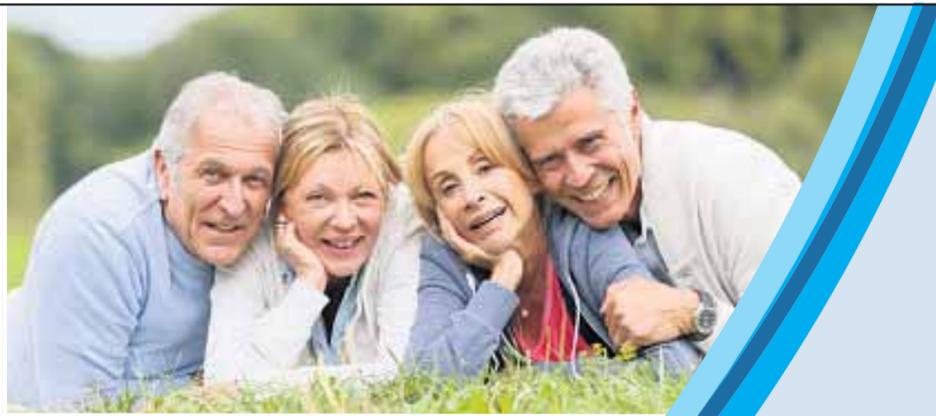
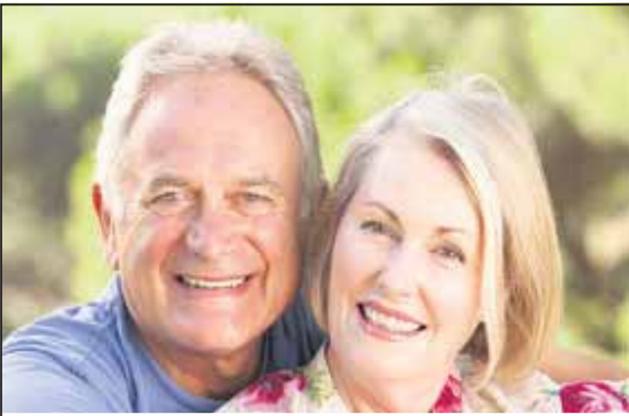
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ELECTION 2018

Raoul tops Quinn in Democratic AG race

He'll face off against Republican Harold in November

BY PATRICK M. O'CONNELL, LOLLY BOWEAN, CHRISTY GUTOWSKI AND ROBERT MCCOPPIN
Chicago Tribune

State Sen. Kwame Raoul on Tuesday edged former Gov. Pat Quinn and outpaced six other candidates in a crowded campaign to secure the Democratic nomination for Illinois attorney general.

With 94 percent of the precincts reporting, Raoul, the veteran lawmaker from the Hyde Park neighborhood who succeeded Barack Obama in the Illinois Senate, had 30 percent of the statewide vote. Quinn had 28 percent.

In his victory speech, Raoul passionately talked about violence and crime in under-resourced communities.

He said the campaign lost focus on the real issues, but he did not.

"Criminal justice reform is not about sound bites," Raoul said. "It's about rolling up your sleeves and doing work."

When Raoul took the stage, he embraced his two children and held them for a moment. Then he gave a tribute to his mother and father and the men and women of organized labor. As attorney general, Raoul promised he would push back on President Donald Trump's initiatives and work to support immigrant communities.



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GOP attorney general nominee Erika Harold attends a party for Gov. Bruce Rauner on Tuesday night in Chicago.



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State Sen. Kwame Raoul, center, looks at election results with campaign finance director Hanah Jubeh and son Che.

"I've always operated in a bipartisan manner," Raoul said. "I've got good friends on the other side of the aisle. To my colleagues in the legislature, I appreciate your support. You know my true character, you know my passion, you know I'm not defined by a campaign contribution. You know I have a 13-year record to prove it."

Raoul will face former Miss America and Harvard Law School graduate Erika Harold in November.

Harold, who defeated DuPage County Board member Gary Grasso in the Republican primary, touted herself as an independent-minded candidate who will challenge the status quo. With 93 percent of statewide precincts reporting, Harold had 60 percent of the vote to Grasso's 40 percent.

"I'm extremely humbled so many people went out to the polls to support me, and I'm going to work hard to make sure that their interests are represented and to

fight to introduce myself to the rest of the voters in the state," Harold said.

She promised to prioritize fighting public corruption and sexual harassment, criminal justice reform and to work to counter the opioid epidemic.

Raoul and Quinn, who lost the governor's race to Bruce Rauner in 2014, were among eight candidates seeking the state's top legal post, a scramble triggered by Lisa Madigan's decision not to seek re-election.

In his speech to supporters, Quinn thanked campaign volunteers and pledged his support to Raoul.

"I'm all for him," Quinn said. "It's important all of us band together now that the primary is over and make sure (Raoul) is elected attorney general of Illinois. ... You win some, you lose some."

Attorney Sharon Fairley, state Rep. Scott Drury, former federal prosecutor Renato Mariotti, former public defender Aaron Goldstein,

Highland Park Mayor Nancy Rotering and former Chicago Board of Education Vice President Jesse Ruiz also were vying for the job. Fairley was the only other candidate to reach double digits, gaining 12 percent of the vote.

By the time Election Day came, Raoul had raised nearly \$2 million, more than any other candidate in the crowded race.

Quinn held his election event at the Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters. The carpenters' PAC in recent weeks pumped \$100,000 into Quinn's campaign.

During the campaign, Raoul tried to seize on controversies that plagued Quinn's tenure as governor, including a patronage hiring scandal at the Illinois Department of Transportation and an anti-violence program that drew the attention of federal investigators. Raoul also complained that many of the accomplishments Quinn takes credit for, such as abolishing

the death penalty and expanding Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act (Raoul was diagnosed with prostate cancer in 2016), were measures he shepherded through the legislature.

During candidate forums, Quinn tended to sit back while his opponents traded jabs.

Even when the criticism was more direct, such as over his decision to sign a bill to decrease pension benefits for state employees, Quinn tried to stay out of the fray.

The Republican race, in contrast, remained relatively low-key. Harold and Grasso appeared together at only a handful of public events.

Harold was Miss America 2003 and used the pageant scholarship to attend Harvard. Harold did not throw an election night party — she had just a quiet press room at the Palmer House hotel in Chicago. She voted early Tuesday in her hometown of Urbana and

drove to Chicago with a small team of supporters to await results.

She described her voters as "people who want to see a more independent attorney general, people interested in challenging the status quo, and who want to see corruption more actively addressed."

Big contributions from the state party and Rauner, who recruited Harold to run, helped get out her message during the primary. Grasso, the former Burr Ridge village president who self-funded his campaign, questioned Harold's ability to act independently of a governor who has alienated conservatives.

Despite Rauner's support, Harold said she is willing to make independent choices.

"Ultimately I decided to seek this office because I believe in the independence of the office, and I believe in being able to represent people of all political backgrounds, to give them a voice in a political system that too often seems to act against them," Harold said Tuesday night.

On current controversial topics, Harold has said previously that she is opposed to abortion rights, and that the state should "explore" legalizing marijuana, since she believes it is "inevitable" and may help address the opioid crisis — but that she would enforce the law whatever it may be.

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Mary Lou Alcoser casts her vote in the Illinois primary election Tuesday amid washers and dryers at the Su Nueva laundry in Chicago's West Lawn neighborhood.

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Deb Zutty helps make contemporary history by voting at the Edgewater Historical Society and Museum on Chicago's North Side.



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Nicole Meunier, left, gets a ballot from election judge Talula Allen at the Ethiopian Community Association of Chicago in the city's Rogers Park neighborhood.

ELECTION 2018

Preckwinkle easily defeats Fioretti

County Board president overcomes soda tax debacle

BY STEVE SCHMADEKE AND DAN HINKEL
Chicago Tribune

Easily beating back a challenger who sought to capitalize on the soda tax debacle, Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle claimed victory Tuesday night over former Chicago Ald. Bob Fioretti as she seeks what she says will be her final term.

Preckwinkle entered her election night party on the South Side to applause from about 80 supporters and declared victory after a race that focused heavily on the quickly aborted tax. In comments to reporters after her speech, she took a jab at those who had attacked her over the tax.

"It turns out I won the election, thank you," she said. "If you want good government, you have to pay for it."

With 96 percent of precincts reporting, Preckwinkle had about 61 percent of the vote to Fioretti's 39 percent in the Democratic primary. There were no Republican candidates in the race for board president, meaning Preckwinkle is all but certain to retain her post in November.

Rancor over the soda tax dominated much of the latter part of Preckwinkle's second term as well as the election cycle, both for her post and other seats on the County Board.

In the 12th District Democratic primary race on Chicago's North and Northwest sides, an incumbent who opposed the soda tax was trailing a union-backed candidate who argued layoffs triggered by the tax's repeal diminished key county services. Challenger Bridget Degnen had 55 percent of the vote to board member John Fritchey's 45 percent with 95 percent of precincts reporting.

In a Twitter post around 10 p.m., Fritchey wrote,



Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle hugs Jim Lowry, who on Tuesday won the Democratic primary for commissioner for the 3rd District.

"About 30 minutes ago, I sent the following message to my opponent: I just wanted to say congratulations. You have the opportunity to do some great things for a lot of people, I hope you use it well."

Preckwinkle in the fall of 2016 began pushing for the penny-an-ounce sweetened beverage tax as a way to raise revenue while discouraging the consumption of unhealthy drinks. But her proposal generated confusion among the thousands of retailers registered to collect the tax, as well as anger among consumers asked to pay nearly \$3 more for a case of soda.

The soda tax went into effect last August. After an advertising blitz by the beverage industry that stoked widespread public outrage, the County Board repealed the tax at the end of

November. After the repeal, the County Board approved a 2018 budget that included 321 layoffs.

The soda tax left Preckwinkle — who was unopposed in the 2014 Democratic primary — looking vulnerable, and Fioretti officially entered the race in November.

During the pop tax debate, he was one of many pushing for repeal.

During the campaign, Fioretti suggested Preckwinkle would try to reinstate the tax. Preckwinkle, who has been board president since 2010 and is seeking her third term, unequivocally denied she would do that, though she left the door open to other tax hikes, as did Fioretti. She cast herself during the race as a responsible manager who reduced the number of jail inmates and cut

the county's debt, among other things.

At Preckwinkle's campaign event Tuesday night at the Chicago Lake Shore Hotel, supporters paid \$1.75 for soda, including tax.

Earlier in the evening, Hyde Park resident Vanessa James, who said she met Preckwinkle when she saw the then-alderman waiting for a bus and gave her a ride downtown, defended Preckwinkle's effort to collect additional revenue from soda sales.

"That was a tough call," James said of the soda tax. "You need to do what's necessary to bring in more revenue, but it got jammed up in the execution."

Others at the event said much the same thing.

"She had to make lemonade out of bad lemons," said the Rev. Renaldo Kyles, 46, of Calumet City. "The

community supports her. She's a leader and she did what she had to do."

Fioretti had also criticized Preckwinkle over her alliance with Cook County Assessor Joseph Berrios. Reporting by the Tribune and ProPublica Illinois has shown that Berrios has presided over a flawed system for assessing home values that has benefited the wealthy at the expense of needier residents. Preckwinkle is a vice chairwoman of the Cook County Democratic Party; Berrios, who conceded defeat in his bid for re-election Tuesday, is the chairman.

Fioretti faced a significant financial disadvantage. Since jumping into the race in mid-November, campaign funds controlled by Fioretti collected about \$146,000, according to state campaign finance records.

Since her last primary win four years ago, Preckwinkle had raised more than \$3.8 million — including more than \$650,000 since Fioretti announced his bid against her, records show.

Preckwinkle said this would be her final term in office.

"I started out as a teacher. I think I'll go back to education," she said.

Along with the race between Fritchey and Degnen, incumbent Richard Boykin faced challenger Brandon Johnson, a Chicago Teachers Union organizer. That race was too close to call late Tuesday.

Johnson, like Degnen, had the support of unions that were critical of the layoffs that followed the repeal of the soda tax.

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Berrios concedes primary to Kaegi

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shifted an outside portion of the property tax burden from the wealthy to the poor, with minority communities being hit particularly hard.

Kaegi also railed against the "Democratic machine," or at least what remains of it, pointing to Berrios' history of taking campaign contributions from property tax appeal attorneys who seek reductions in assessments from both his office and the Board of Review where he was previously a commissioner. He also pointed to Berrios' hiring of relatives and friends — moves that ran afoul of county ethics codes and a legal ban on most politically based personnel decisions.

By phone, Kaegi said Berrios had called to concede. "He was very gracious, and I thanked him for his service," Kaegi said. Later, at an election night party on the Southwest Side, where supporters of congressional candidate Jesus "Chuy" Garcia also gathered, Kaegi spoke to a crowd that was chanting, "Fritz, Fritz, Fritz."

"The old machine style is no match for a campaign powered by the people of Cook County," Kaegi said.

The county's tax system was set up to help the wealthy and the politically connected, he said, but "tonight we're breaking up that arrangement. We're going to make tax assessments fair, equitable and transparent because that is what the people of Cook County deserve."

Kaegi also said Railla had called him to concede, but it



Cook County assessor candidate Fritz Kaegi declares victory Tuesday in Chicago alongside his wife and children.

wasn't clear whether she was ready to throw in the towel. Earlier Tuesday night, she went to court to ask a judge to void the voting results and order a new election, noting some city voters had received inaccurate information stating that votes for her would not be counted. During the campaign season, Railla's candidacy was in flux as lawyers argued over her petition signatures, and an appeals court restored her as a qualified candidate only last Wednesday.

A judge denied the motion, but Railla said in an interview that she wasn't ready to drop the litigation.

Railla called the election "a fiasco" but said she had yet to decide whether to continue to ask for a new election or pursue court orders to change the handling of petition objections like the one that complicated her candidacy. Her attorney, Clint Krislov, said that short of a special election, the lawsuit's aim is "to make sure nothing like this ever happens again."

Of Kaegi, Railla said, "I did call him, and I told him he of course is the elected one, and he ran a good campaign, and I wished him luck. ... He won, but we want to examine the process."

The race for assessor, typically a quiet, down-ballot affair, had a much higher profile this year because it became a test of the ability of progressives in the wake of U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders' presidential campaign to take on establishment Democrats and win.

A defeat of Berrios is a loss not only for Madigan but also for County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, who stood by Berrios as other African-American politicians defected in the wake of "The Tax Divide" and a county-commissioner study that backed up its findings. And it would be a victory for independent Democratic politicians like county Clerk David Orr, who endorsed Kaegi.

Kaegi said he believed Tuesday's vote sent a message: "We think the Demo-

cratic Party is not about pay-to-play, it's not about nepotism, it's not about transferring wealth from the poor to the rich."

The assessor's race also became a topic in the primary for governor, with candidate Chris Kennedy railing against the property tax system under Berrios and his alliance with Madigan. The Democratic Party endorsed J.B. Pritzker at the top of the ticket.

And it was a race filled with twists and turns. During the last week, a one-on-one race framed up as a battle between progressives and the establishment turned into a three-way contest that added the idea of a woman campaigning for a post that for decades has been held only by men. In addition to promoting herself as the only woman in the race, Railla portrayed herself as an "outsider" taking on "the machine and so-called progressives."

The county Electoral Board had disqualified Railla as a candidate for an alleged "pattern of fraud" in

collecting petition signatures. That ruling was upheld by a judge, who sanctioned a decision by election officials to notify all early voters that votes for Railla would not be counted. But after nearly 90,000 early votes were cast, and tens of thousands of mail-in and overseas ballots were sent out with those instructions, an appeals court last Wednesday overturned the judge's decision. Then, on Tuesday, there were reports that the notices were still up or being handed to voters in some city polling places.

Railla attorney Frank Avila Jr. described the postings as "endemic." Election officials acknowledged the problem, saying some election judges had been given conflicting instructions, but Chicago Board of Election Commissioners spokesman James Allen said he didn't think it was a "widespread problem."

There's no doubt that another election would be costly, after millions of dollars have already been spent on the race.

Kaegi has put \$1.55 million of his own money into his campaign fund, and raised another \$440,000. Two campaign committees controlled by Berrios have pulled in nearly \$878,000 since Jan. 1, after starting the year with more than \$1.4 million. Railla has raised about \$312,000, with \$286,000 coming out of her own pocket.

The three candidates in the high-stakes race presented a study in contrasts, particularly when it came to Berrios and Kaegi.

Berrios, 66, grew up in Cabrini-Green and Humboldt Park. He started working for the 31st Ward Democratic Organization when he was still in high school. In 1982, he was the first Hispanic elected to the Illinois House. Six years later, he was elected as a Board of Review commissioner — a position he held until 2010, when he was first elected assessor.

Kaegi, 46, is the product of a progressive Hyde Park upbringing and set aside a lucrative investment job to make his first run for office. He told the Tribune that after volunteering in Democratic politics, he decided to move off the sidelines, picking the office of assessor because he thought his skill set was right for the office.

Railla, 57, a Chicago native, has worked for decades inside and outside the property tax appeals system, starting in the 1980s as an appeals case analyst for then-Board of (Tax) Appeals Commissioner Pat Quinn. She now runs a property tax consulting business, helping homeowners and small businesses appeal their assessments. Kaegi and Railla both pledged to fix the assessment system and not take campaign contributions from anyone involved in the appeals business.

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Illinois House GOP leader declares victory

Rauner ally Durkin faced rare primary challenge for seat

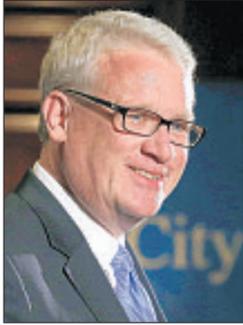
BY MONIQUE GARCIA, VIKKI ORTIZ HEALY AND BILL LUKITSCH
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Illinois House Republican leader Jim Durkin declared victory over primary challenger Burr Ridge Village President Mickey Straub late Tuesday, a key win for the state's GOP establishment amid an insurgency from the party's conservative wing.

Flanked by his wife, Celeste, and daughter, Durkin thanked supporters including his seven brothers and a nephew who walked door-to-door with him during the campaign.

"This race started in October, and all of you have witnessed what we've gone through," Durkin told those gathered at Madisons Pub and Grill in Willowbrook hours after the polls closed. "All of us have known it wasn't a very gentleman-like race. But the fact is, we held our ground."

Unofficial results from



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Illinois House Republican House leader Jim Durkin declared victory in the primary late Tuesday night.

Cook and Will counties showed Durkin with 69 percent of the vote to Straub's 31 percent, with 59 percent of precincts reporting. Those tallies don't reflect votes cast in DuPage County, where results were delayed late into Tuesday evening.

Durkin, who is an ally of Gov. Bruce Rauner, found himself the target of a rare primary challenge to a legislative leader after several House Republicans sided with Democrats last summer to override the gover-



JESSE WRIGHT/PIONEER PRESS

Burr Ridge Village President Mickey Straub launched a rare primary challenge to a legislative leader, Durkin.

nor's veto of tax hike and budget legislation.

Straub, known as "Mayor Mickey," received the backing of Dan Proft, a conservative radio talk show host and political operative who runs a political action committee that has spent more than \$1.2 million to back Straub. Proft also supported state Rep. Jeanne Ives' effort to unseat Rauner, and his Liberty Principles PAC is involved in at least 12 House Republican districts.

Straub on Tuesday night chalked up his defeat to

running against a better-funded and more experienced campaign.

"They came prepared," he said.

While Durkin voted against the budget and tax package, Proft accused him of weak leadership for being unable to keep House Republicans unified in a chamber controlled by powerful House Speaker Michael Madigan, also head of the Democratic Party of Illinois. Straub, who owns a faith-based management message company, called GOP lawmakers who voted for the income tax hike "surrender Republicans."

Despite questions surrounding his leadership, Durkin said he was pleased with how his fellow House Republicans fared in Tuesday's primary.

"Overall, the state of Illinois, our group and my team did very well," he said.

Durkin raised \$1.7 million in the time since Straub announced his candidacy in the western suburban district, and also has been helped by more than \$500,000 from the state Republican Party, which Rauner heavily subsidizes.

Durkin also received almost \$100,000 in help from charter school groups and the state's Realtors. Durkin had a large TV presence in response to Proft, though the spending won't be revealed on state records until after the primary under election law. Straub raised nearly \$150,000.

Both sides have tried to tie the other to the unpopular Madigan, who Rauner has spent the past several years labeling as the source of the state's woes.

Durkin's campaign ads and flyers labeled Straub "Madigan Mickey," using Rauner's chief nemesis to try to stain the challenger and supporters including the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 150. The group joined the contest against Durkin after he teamed up with Rauner to block an override of the governor's veto of a bill that would have banned local municipalities from adopting laws weakening organized labor.

On the flip side, Proft used his PAC to run an ad titled "Madigurkin," featuring a cartoon representation of Madigan and Durkin

morphed into a Frankenstein monster-type creature. The committee recently launched another ad featuring Denise Rotheimer, a victims rights advocate who accused Democratic state Sen. Ira Silverstein of sexual harassment. A legislative inspector general report cleared Silverstein of harassment but found his conduct "unbecoming" of a legislator. Rotheimer, who was featured in Proft ads in other contests, contended Durkin and Madigan "ignored" claims of sexual harassment.

Straub has also sought to use his faith-based background and support for President Donald Trump in his campaign. He touted his meeting and photo opportunity with Donald Trump Jr. at the president's Mar-a-Lago resort prior to a Florida meeting of the youth conservative group Turning Point.

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Democratic state Sen. Ira Silverstein, right, votes in the Illinois primary elections at Lubavitch Chabad of Illinois in Chicago on Tuesday. He later said a win "wasn't in the cards."

Silverstein concedes nomination to Villivalam

State senator plays down harassment controversy impact

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Chicago Tribune

State Sen. Ira Silverstein conceded the Democratic nomination for the 8th Senate District to union lobbyist Ram Villivalam on Tuesday night, unable to retain the seat he's held for nearly 20 years after being accused of sexual harassment.

"We ran a good campaign; it wasn't in the cards," Silverstein said after he and his wife, 50th Ward Ald. Debra Silverstein, thanked about two dozen supporters and relatives gathered at Great Chicago Food and Beverage Co. in the West Ridge neighborhood.

Unofficial results showed Villivalam had 52 percent of the vote to Silverstein's 29 percent, with 92 percent of precincts reporting. Caroline McAteer-Fournier, who ran as a political outsider, had 14 percent, and David Zulkey, a lawyer campaigning as a fiscal conservative, had 5 percent.

The winner of Tuesday's Democratic primary election is all but assured a win in the November election



VILLIVALAM CAMPAIGN PHOTO

Union lobbyist Ram Villivalam won the Democratic nomination for the 8th Senate District.

because the district that stretches from Chicago's West Ridge neighborhood to north suburban Glenview is heavily Democrat. The results stand to serve as a warning as the #MeToo movement sweeps through Springfield, given Silverstein had never before faced a challenge in the roughly two decades he's comfortably held the seat.

Even so, Silverstein downplayed the impact of the controversy, chalking up his loss to "a lot of negative campaigning that was done."

"I think that's very unfortunate, but that's the way the world is, that's the way politics is," Silverstein said. "It was God's plan, not

mine."

He appeared headed toward a seventh term until late October, when victim rights advocate Denise Rotheimer accused him of sexual harassment during a legislative hearing, saying he had sent her hundreds of Facebook messages at all hours of the night.

A new legislative inspector general cleared Silverstein on accusations of sexual harassment but found he had behaved in a way "unbecoming of a legislator." The inspector general recommended Silverstein undergo ethics counseling.

The allegations angered voters in his district and opened the way for primary challengers, which caught the veteran lawmaker by surprise. He had raised just \$62,000 last year and was left to rely on help from party leaders and allies.

Senate President John Cullerton pumped \$66,000 into Silverstein's campaign fund. An additional \$55,400 came from what was listed as the State Democratic Victory Fund, which is likely the Cullerton-controlled Senate Democratic Victory Fund. That support angered some Democrats who said party leaders shouldn't back Silverstein given the allegations against him.

Of the challengers, Villivalam racked up the most

endorsements. A former lobbyist with the Service Employees International Union Healthcare, he is the child of immigrants who came to the U.S. from India in the 1970s. He says he'd be the first Asian-American elected to the Illinois Senate.

Villivalam won endorsements from U.S. Reps. Jan Schakowsky, Brad Schneider, Mike Quigley and Luis Guterrez, as well as from the Chicago Teachers Union, Planned Parenthood and the Sierra Club. He was also the best-funded candidate in the race, having raised about \$270,000, including nearly \$40,000 from SEIU political action committees.

Villivalam, who lives in Mayfair, argued that beyond the sexual harassment allegations, Silverstein had a "lack of leadership on issues."

"I ask people to point to a signature piece of legislation he's passed — folks can't," Villivalam said.

On Tuesday night, throngs of supporters chanted, "Ram! Ram! Ram!" at 90 Miles Cuban Cafe in Lincolnwood, where the crowd was estimated at 200 at its peak. "It's not so easy to beat a 20-year incumbent," Villivalam said, sitting beside his wife, Elizabeth Granado, whom he married in October. "How-

ever, we had numerous grass-roots volunteers going door to door, talking to people about the issues that matter."

He cited reducing violence, equitable funding for schools and tax code reform as some of those causes. He also acknowledged the role harassment allegations played in the race. "The people of the 8th District have spoken," he said. "They want a zero-tolerance policy ... They want women to be heard. They want women to be believed. I think this is somewhat of a referendum on ending business as usual in Springfield."

SEIU issued a statement Tuesday night touting the win by "one of our own."

"Because Ram had the courage to stand up to a twenty-year incumbent who had abused his power and lost touch with everyday people, the families of the 8th district are better off," the union said.

On the Southwest Side, high school counselor Aaron Ortiz was ahead of Rep. Dan Burke in a matchup aimed at eroding the power of the Burke family political dynasty.

Unofficial results had Ortiz with 54 percent of the vote to Burke's 46 percent, with 96 percent of precincts reporting. Ortiz was backed by Cook County Commis-

sioner Jesus "Chuy" Garcia.

Burke's brother is Ald. Edward Burke, Chicago's longest-serving and most powerful alderman. But in the years he built the political machine the Southwest Side has changed dramatically, as Mexican-American and immigrant populations moved into the bungalow belt previously occupied by Polish, Lithuanian and other Eastern European white ethnics.

Garcia, who forced Mayor Rahm Emanuel into a runoff in 2015, is looking to limit the Burkes' influence. Garcia had hoped his support would carry Ortiz to victory in the Illinois House 1st District.

Garcia and Ortiz argued that Rep. Burke was rarely available to Latino constituents, but he dismissed that claim.

Burke went into election day with nearly \$550,000. He received \$55,000 from committees controlled by House Speaker Michael Madigan but just a \$1,000 contribution and a \$50,000 loan from his brother.

Ortiz raised \$187,000, with \$51,000 coming from funds controlled by Garcia and \$45,000 from the Chicago Teachers Union, of which Ortiz is a member.

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Lipinski narrowly leading Newman

National attention on contest between 2 Dem factions

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Anti-bullying advocate and first-time political candidate Marie Newman declined to concede in her nationally watched race against seven-term U.S. Rep. Dan Lipinski late Tuesday night, saying she “would like Mr. Lipinski to have a very painful evening” and the contest was too close to call.

Lipinski held a razor-thin lead when he took the stage and told supporters he wasn't declaring victory because “I am careful. I am an engineer.”

With more than 90 percent of the vote counted, unofficial results showed Lipinski led with 51 percent of the vote to Newman's 49 percent in race seen as a proxy fight between the progressive and more conservative wings of the Democratic Party.

Lipinski was leading in the Chicago parts of the 3rd Congressional District, in the Southwest Side bungalow belt wards where his father, onetime Chicago alderman and longtime U.S. Rep. Bill Lipinski, built some of his tightest political relationships over the course of several decades. With about 90 percent of the Chicago vote in, Lipinski was up in the city 56 percent to 44 percent.

Newman held leads in the suburban Cook and Will County parts of the district, with just a handful of precincts still out. With more than 87,000 votes counted, the incumbent was up by about 1,600 votes as he faced by far his stiffest challenge since first winning the seat in 2004 after his father stepped down.

“So ... interesting evening,” Newman told supporters at Marz Community Brewing in Bridgeport. “We are not quite ready to make a decision. It is this



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Marie Newman supporters await results Tuesday night at Marz Community Brewing in the Bridgeport neighborhood.

close.”

“I would like Mr. Lipinski to have a very painful evening,” she added. “So we are going to wait.”

Lipinski decried the negative campaign and outside money spent in the district. “I think that is a terrible message for the Democratic Party. That can't be what the Democratic Party stands for,” he said. “It's bad for the country. We've got to do a better job.”

Newman got into the race after U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders' strong 2016 presidential primary showing in the district against Hillary Clinton. Left-leaning Democrats came away from that campaign believing

they had a solid base of support that would be dissatisfied with Lipinski's conservative positions on abortion, health care and immigration.

Both candidates said they want to meet the needs of the middle- and working-class district, but neither shied away from the national implications of the election. Lipinski repeatedly warned of what he said was Newman's fanciful and destructive “tea party of the left” agenda. Newman ripped him as an out-of-touch, de facto Republican and tried to tie him in ads to President Donald Trump.

Lipinski countered that constituents in the 3rd Dis-

trict, which stretches from the Southwest Side into the south and west suburbs, are more focused on “bread and butter issues” like jobs, where he is in line with their concerns.

The incumbent started out the race with a sizable campaign cash advantage over Newman, and he is well-known in an area he and his father have represented for more than 35 years combined.

The longest-tenured Illinois Democrat on the House Transportation Committee, Lipinski landed the backing of several major labor organizations, among them the AFL-CIO, the American Federation of

State, County and Municipal Employees Council 31, the United Steelworkers and the Chicago police and fire department unions.

But Newman benefited from the bright national spotlight and high-profile endorsements from the likes of Sanders and progressive groups like EMILY's List and the Planned Parenthood Action Fund. She also picked up the support of the SEIU State Council after pledging to push for the \$15 federal minimum wage.

Outside money poured into the race. Groups had spent about \$2.5 million on mailings and attack ads as of Monday, according to the

nonpartisan Center for Responsive Politics in Washington. About 59 percent of that money went toward helping Newman.

Late in the campaign, Lipinski criticized Newman over the revelation that she and her husband went into the restaurant business in 2014 with a man who spent time in federal prison for his role in a large-scale mortgage fraud scheme. Newman said they didn't know about the conviction until after they entered the partnership, and they then began taking steps to extricate themselves from the deal.

Lipinski supporters convened in the clubhouse at the Flagg Creek Golf Course in Countryside, where some said they were feeling nervous for the first time in the past several elections.

“I knocked doors. I passed palm cards,” said Mary VanAllen, 67, of Justice. “We really didn't have to do all that (before) because it wasn't contested.”

Newman held her election night party at the craft beer brewery in the Bridgeport neighborhood, where SEIU officials rubbed shoulders with a group of women in hijabs, men in gay-rights T-shirts and young couples in hoodies and puffy coats.

Conspicuously missing from the brewery's menu: The Machine, a well-regarded American Pale Ale named for the Richard J. Daley political organization that gave Lipinski's father his career. For Lipinski, this was his first real election test in several years. In the past two primaries, he was unopposed.

The Democratic primary winner has long been considered the general election front-runner in the solidly blue district. That's especially the case this year, since the only GOP candidate is Arthur J. Jones of Lyons, a Holocaust denier with ties to neo-Nazis who the Illinois Republican Party has disavowed.

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‘Chuy’ Garcia cruises in race to replace Gutierrez

Primary victory virtually ensures him U.S. House seat

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Jesus “Chuy” Garcia cruised to a decisive victory Tuesday night in the Democratic primary for Illinois' lone Latino-majority congressional seat, promising to carry forward a tradition of fierce activism in Washington on behalf of Chicago's immigrants long established by the man he will be replacing — the retiring U.S. Rep. Luis Gutierrez.

Garcia, who has served as a Cook County commissioner on the Southwest Side for the past seven years, had collected 67 percent of the vote compared with 21 percent for Sol Flores, a nonprofit executive from Logan Square, with 95 percent of precincts reporting. Richard Gonzalez, a Chicago police sergeant, was in third with 12 percent, according to the unofficial results.

The widely expected win for Garcia came on the same night that two other Democratic contenders started to emerge from crowded fields with hopes of knocking off sitting suburban Republican congressmen in the fall general election.

Kelly Mazeski, a planning commissioner from Barrington Hills, held a narrow lead in the race to challenge U.S. Rep. Peter Roskam in the 6th District while Lauren Underwood, a nurse from Naperville, was poised to win the nod to take on U.S. Rep. Randy Hultgren in the 14th.

Garcia's strong performance in the earmuffs-shaped 7th Congressional District marked a successful

effort of uniting his Mexican-American base centered in the city's Little Village neighborhood on the Southwest Side with voters predominantly of Puerto Rican and Central American descent on the Northwest Side. Garcia, who arrived in Chicago as a 5-year-old immigrant from Durango, Mexico, will be the first Mexican-American to represent Illinois in Congress if he wins in November.

“To all of you tonight, I only have one thing to say: We have made history,” Garcia said. “You have made history.”

Garcia's supporters packed in for a raucous evening at Apollo's 2000, a century-old Art Deco movie house renovated into a banquet and dance hall on Cermak Road in Little Village. The party was only bolstered by the stunning win of Cook County assessor candidate Fritz Kaegi, whom Garcia endorsed over Joseph Berrios, the county's Democratic Party chairman.

The night symbolized the arrival of Garcia's expanded influence on the Chicago political stage.

Garcia declared victory for his slate of three candidates — 28-year-old Alma Anaya to succeed him on the County Board, 37-year-old Beatriz Frausto-Sandoval for circuit judge and 26-year-old Aaron Ortiz for state representative. An Ortiz victory over state Rep. Dan Burke would hold the largest significance as it would mark a substantial blow to the Burke family's 65-year political dynasty in the 14th Ward.

A jubilant Garcia took to the stage with a broom in hand to symbolize his slate's sweep.

“Tonight is a great night

on Chicago's Southwest Side,” Garcia declared. “It is a new day.”

A win in the Democratic primary Tuesday serves as all but a shoo-in for election to Congress in the deep blue district. Little-known Mark Wayne Lorch of Riverside ran unopposed in the Republican primary.

A Garcia rise to Congress was unthinkable just three months ago, when he was ramping up for a 2019 run against Mayor Rahm Emanuel after forcing him into a runoff in the 2015 city election. Then came the surprise retirement of Gutierrez, a 64-year-old oratorical firebrand who said he was stepping away from Congress to back pro-immigrant causes and help rebuild his ancestral homeland of Puerto Rico.

In true Chicago political tradition, Gutierrez quickly moved to anoint a successor in Garcia, who the congressman declared would be a champion for immigrants. Other contenders, though, quickly jumped in, including Ald. Proco “Joe” Moreno, 1st; Ald. Carlos Ramirez-Rosa, 35th; Ald. Raymond Lopez, 15th; and Flores. As Garcia solidified his support in the district and emerged with a large lead in the polls, the three aldermen dropped out.

Garcia, 61, served as 22nd Ward alderman for more than six years, then served in the Illinois Senate for another six years before being ousted in the primary by a challenger backed by then-Mayor Richard M. Daley. Garcia resurfaced two years later, in 2011, winning his County Board seat.

In recent elections, Gutierrez and Garcia have been on opposite sides of races. Gutierrez backed Hillary Clinton for president while Garcia endorsed Ver-



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Jesus “Chuy” Garcia pulls out a broom to celebrate his win in the 4th Congressional District Democratic primary Tuesday night at a gathering at Apollo's 2000 in Chicago.

mont Sen. Bernie Sanders, who returned the favor by endorsing Garcia last month. Gutierrez backed Emanuel for mayor in 2015 while Garcia ran against him, leading some to question whether a behind-the-scenes deal was cut for Garcia to move to Congress while sparing the mayor another challenge.

Garcia insisted there was “no quid pro quo” and on Tuesday night vowed to carry forward Gutierrez's fight for the rights of immigrants and so-called Dreamers in Washington. “To those who want to tear this country apart through fear and hatred, I say this: Our hearts and minds are bigger than yours,” Garcia said.

6th District

In the west and northwest suburban 6th Congressional District, Mazeski was leading in the bid to challenge Roskam, a six-term congressman from Wheaton.

With 64 percent of precincts reporting, Mazeski, a breast cancer survivor, had 29 percent of

the vote, according to unofficial results. Engineer Sean Casten had 27 percent while attorneys Carole Cheney and Amanda Howland had 18 percent and 14 percent respectively.

Mazeski said she had been motivated to run by the fight in Washington over health care and received a high-profile boost in making the front page of The New York Times, announcing her bid against Roskam on the same day the U.S. House voted to repeal the Affordable Care Act. Democrats consider Roskam, who has helped shape and sell his party's controversial overhaul of the tax code, as a vulnerable incumbent. They point to the fact that Clinton prevailed by 7 percentage points in the 2016 election over President Donald Trump in Roskam's district.

14th District

In the 14th District, Underwood held a solid lead in the race to take on Hultgren in November for a seat that national Democrats have identified as competitive in their effort

to regain the House. The 14th is a mix of suburban, rural and exurban turf, running from the Wisconsin border and wrapping around Chicago's collar counties including parts of DeKalb, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry and Will. With 86 percent of precincts reporting, Underwood had 57 percent of the vote, according to unofficial results. Matthew Brolley, a civil engineer, had 14 percent and Jim Walz, a salesman from Gurnee, had 10.

10th District

In the North Shore, there was a tight three-way race in the Republican primary for the right to run against Democratic U.S. Rep. Brad Schneider. With 99 percent of precincts reporting, the social conservative Doug Bennett of Deerfield hung onto a narrow lead with 35.7 percent of the vote while the attorney Jeremy Wynes had 34.5 percent and Sapan Shah, a medical malpractice insurance broker from Libertyville, had 29.8 percent.

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ELECTION 2018

Suburban voters have say on referendums

Opposition to video gambling leads in some communities

Chicago Tribune

Voters in dozens of suburbs outside Chicago took on ballot questions Tuesday including sales tax increase requests, referendums on whether video gambling should be legalized and various school building proposals.

Video gambling referendums: Residents of Orland Park on Tuesday faced two referendum questions on whether the village should allow video gambling, with the anti-gambling faction leading by a small margin in early, unofficial vote tallies.

The southwest suburb is among a handful of suburban communities that several years ago opted to bar video gambling.

One question, put on the ballot by village trustees, asks whether the village should be able to allow restaurants and other businesses that have a Class A liquor license and have been in business for at least 18 consecutive months to offer video gambling. About 49 percent of voters were opposed in incomplete, unofficial vote tallies.

Conversely, a second

question, which reached the ballot through a citizen petition drive, asks whether video gambling should continue to be prohibited within village limits. That question was winning by a margin of about 53 to 47 percent.

Both referendum questions are nonbinding.

In Riverside, “no” votes were far outstripping the “yes” votes on a question of whether video gambling should be allowed in town. About three-quarters of those who cast ballots voted against the measure.

Similarly, in West Chicago, voters were leaning heavily against legalizing video gambling in a ballot measure in that suburb.

West suburban Forest Park put a different spin on the question, asking voters if video gambling revenue should be used to fund police and fire pensions. Proponents of the nonbinding question say that would allow the village to reduce other forms of taxation. The “yes” votes were far ahead on the question, gaining about 79 percent of ballots cast, in unofficial results.

Cook County voters heavily favor marijuana legalization: A ballot initiative in Cook County to legalize recreational marijuana was garnering wide support.

In suburban Cook County, about 63 percent of voters indicated their support for legalization, with some precincts still to be counted. The rate of support was even higher in Chicago, with about 73 percent voting in favor as the counting continued late Tuesday.

Though the measure is nonbinding, it could give momentum to a proposal in Springfield that would create a legal market for recreational pot use, several years since a state medical marijuana program was enacted.

State Sen. Heather Steans and Rep. Kelly Cassidy introduced legislation last year to legalize recreational marijuana. The Chicago Democrats previously said they do not expect the measure to be debated this session.

The Tuesday ballot initiative could also help a drive to put a statewide question to voters in November, though that would also be advisory only.

Sales tax and school requests: Communities including Flossmoor, Geneva and Deer Park were asking voters for sales tax increases.

Flossmoor put an initiative on the ballot seeking to introduce a 1 percent sales tax, which would bring the total paid in town to 10

percent. The measure was leading in unofficial, early totals, with about 63 percent of votes cast in favor.

In Deer Park, a ballot request would, if approved, raise the local portion of the sales tax from a quarter-cent to a half-cent for every dollar spent. That would bring the total sales tax paid in town — home to Deer Park Town Center mall and other retail destinations — to 7.5 percent.

With some precincts still outstanding, that initiative also appeared to be succeeding by a wide margin, with about 73 percent of voters in favor.

Village officials said the measure would raise about \$425,000 more yearly to be used for infrastructure projects like roadwork and flood control measures.

The city of Geneva also asked voters to approve a 1 percent sales tax increase, bringing the total rate there to 8 percent. Local residents also were leaning in favor of the proposal, with nearly 60 percent voting yes.

Some large-scale school district tax proposals were also finding success.

Community High School District 99, which includes Downers Grove North and South high schools, sought a \$136 million bond sale. The money, proponents said, would be used to pay for security and technology

enhancements and for adding air conditioning to all classrooms, among many other initiatives. South would get an expanded and improved auditorium and a more secured entrance, while North would get a new gymnasium and expanded cafeteria, among other plans.

About 60 percent of voters cast ballots in favor of the building measure, with some precincts still to report.

Lake Zurich Community Unit School District 95 was also seeking a significant bond issue, in this case of nearly \$78 million. The measure appears to have passed with a 36-point margin, in unofficial totals.

If the result holds up, the money will bankroll various building improvements across the district, including a new building for Whitney Elementary School, which originally was built in 1929.

In Mount Prospect School District 57, supporters of a tax increase referendum had warned of drastic cuts if the tax request failed to pass, including the reduction of teaching positions and the elimination of art and music programs. Student fees will rise sharply, the school day will be shortened for some students and class sizes could go up to 40 students.

The warning apparently

was heard, as the outcome, in unofficial totals, was about 70 percent in favor to about 30 percent opposed to the school tax increase.

Precinct tabulation problems in DuPage County: Election officials in DuPage County reported late Tuesday that they experienced some technical difficulties in the voting system.

While the county’s website began displaying some vote tallies shortly after the polls closed at 7 p.m., the computer system was at first not updating the number of precincts reporting, making it difficult to discern the percentage of votes that had been counted.

County officials said the problems occurred “despite rigorous testing” and were unrelated to the tabulation of the ballots themselves.

As a result, the election commission had the voting machines’ memory cards manually delivered to the central tabulating facility. Officials said the security of the ballots was not compromised.

Separately, a countywide referendum to eliminate the DuPage County Election Commission and consolidate its functions within the clerk’s office was leading, with about 57 percent of voters in favor of the proposal.

Rauner narrowly defeats Rep. Ives

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Ives, who was vastly outspent, conceded defeat shortly after Rauner’s victory speech, saying “we proved that the grassroots cannot be taken advantage of.”

“You know as I know that Bruce Rauner had to be challenged in this election. But today the popular revolt against the political ruling class fell just a bit short,” she told supporters at a campaign event in Glen Ellyn. “When you think about how far we have come in less than five months, it is astounding.”

Ives, however, did not pledge to support Rauner in the November election during her speech.

The three-term lawmaker from Wheaton had pitched herself to GOP voters as the one who could revive the “taxpayer revolt” that she said Rauner had failed to lead.

Rauner, a former private equity executive whose 2014 campaign pledge to “shake up Springfield” materialized as a record two-year budget impasse and intense partisan gridlock at the Capitol, sold himself as the only hope for continuing to chip away at the power of entrenched Democrats led by House Speaker Michael Madigan.

The contest was a test of Rauner’s standing with both conservative voters and suburban moderates and their willingness to turn out for him as he tries to rebuild the coalition that delivered him a narrow victory over Democrat Pat Quinn in 2014.

As such, Rauner has spent much of the past year attempting to strike a balance between those key voting blocs. Last fall, he signed into law bills to expand taxpayer funding of abortions and extend what critics say were sanctuary-like protections to immigrants, angering conservatives. Last week, however, Rauner rejected a measure to tighten state oversight of gun dealers in a move viewed as trying to appeal to Downstate and conservatives at the risk of alienating suburban moderates.

That approach is what created the opening for the challenge from Ives, one of the General Assembly’s most outspoken Republicans.

Ives argued that Rauner had abandoned his conser-



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Gov. Bruce Rauner declares victory in the Republican governor primary at his party at the Hilton Chicago on Tuesday night.



STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

State Rep. Jeanne Ives, of Wheaton, concedes the governor race at the Abbington banquet hall in Glen Ellyn on Tuesday.

ervative base and broken his promise to govern without a social agenda when he signed the abortion measure into law. She banked that a riled-up conservative base would be receptive to the argument. And some of the forces that had been allied with Rauner lined up in Ives’ corner, including conservative mega-donor Richard Uihlein and Republican operative Dan Proft.

Rauner initially tried to dismiss Ives as a “fringe” candidate, preferring to focus his attention and firepower on wealthy Democratic governor hopeful J.B. Pritzker. Rauner had only one head-to-head appear-

ance with Ives, in late January before the Chicago Tribune Editorial Board. There, Ives delivered a crushing critique of Rauner’s tenure. The encounter buoyed her candidacy, driving attention and money to her upstart campaign.

Still, Ives was far outmatched on the financial front. She raised just \$4 million, more than half of it from Uihlein. Ives’ campaign once said it would need at least \$10 million to run an effective campaign. Rauner gave his campaign \$50 million in late 2016 and spent \$16.5 million on TV ads attacking Pritzker and Ives.

But Rauner’s attempts to keep a hold on his shaky coalition of conservative and moderate Republican voters and some fed-up Democrats provided regular fodder for Ives, a staunch conservative who voted for Donald Trump in 2016. Rauner, by contrast, consistently has tried to avoid even mentioning the Republican president by name in public.

The question in the race soon became whether Rauner’s money and more mainstream appeal would be enough to fend off the attack from his right. By Tuesday, even the governor was unsure, telling radio hosts that he expected the

results to be “closer than anybody thought.”

By that point, the race had become a mudslinging contest in which each candidate — and some outside forces — tried to paint the other as a liberal plant.

Rauner seized on comments made by Ives at the Tribune appearance in which she’d criticized the governor for “picking on Mike Madigan,” the longtime House speaker and Democratic Party chairman whom Rauner has blamed for the state’s ills.

In an ad, Rauner labeled Ives “Madigan’s favorite Republican.” The accusation drew broad criticism, as Ives, a onetime Rauner ally, has been known at the Statehouse as one of the most aggressive critics of Democrats, including Madigan.

For her part, Ives aired a controversial ad that highlighted some of the bills Rauner had signed over the objections of conservatives.

The ad featured an actor portraying a transgender woman thanking the governor for signing a law expanding trans rights, a woman wearing a pink protest hat thanking the governor for making Illinois families “pay for my abortions,” and a hoodie-wearing man with his face covered by a bandana thanking Rauner for making Illinois a “sanctuary state for illegal immigrant criminals.”

The ad was condemned quickly as offensive to the groups it portrayed, criti-

“To those around the state of Illinois who wanted to send me a message, let me be clear: I have heard you.”

— Gov. Bruce Rauner

cism Ives dismissed as “hysteria.” It won her plenty of free media attention, which one House GOP ally said was the point.

In the final days of the campaign, the Democratic Governors Association swept in with ads that attacked Ives’ conservative credentials while criticizing Rauner. The spots had the effect of boosting Ives’ central message with her supporters, potentially hurting Rauner at the polls.

The governor blasted the nearly half-million-dollar ad buy as an attempt by Washington liberals to “interfere” in the primary, contending it was a sign that the other side had identified him as the tougher candidate to beat in November.

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BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

J.B. Pritzker and running mate Juliana Stratton greet supporters after declaring victory in the Democratic gubernatorial primary Tuesday at the Marriott Marquis in Chicago.

Biss, Kennedy concede to Pritzker

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get-out-the-vote operation.

Pritzker said he wanted to take a page from a rising progressive youth movement and “call BS” on the “same old playbook” that reverts a candidate to the safety of the political middle following a primary election.

“So tonight we begin a general election campaign about issues that are as bold as they are big. This campaign is not just about the failed policies of a failed governor who thinks that lifting up the people of Illinois is a government expense rather than an investment in the future.

“No, this campaign is about a fight for economic security about jobs, and wages, health care, education and human services for working families in Illinois,” he said.

But Pritzker still has a few things to learn about Illinois. Citing the problems of a Quad Cities-area couple whose social service agency failed during a prolonged budget crisis, Pritzker pronounced the name of their hometown Milan like the city in Italy. The correct pronunciation, however, is “My-lan.”

During a campaign filled with controversies, Pritzker acknowledged: “We should be honest about who we are as citizens and who we are as candidates. I’m not a perfect person. I’m not going to pretend to be.

“And frankly, I’ve had enough of people like Donald Trump and politicians like Bruce Rauner, who can never acknowledge a flaw, never offer an apology and never take responsibility for anything or anyone under their care,” he said.

Then he added a mocking reference to Rauner. “I won’t put on a costume and jump on a Harley and pretend to be someone I’m not,” Pritzker said. “I won’t blame everyone else for my inability to compromise or get anything done.”

In conceding defeat, Kennedy talked at length about his family’s legacy of public service and his drive to keep fighting. “We have battled J.B. Pritzker for the heart and souls of Illinois,” Kennedy told supporters. “The voters have spoken and now we must give J.B. Pritzker the support he has earned.”

Biss said he had called to congratulate Pritzker and discuss the differences they had. “We agreed on certain things and we agreed on one very important thing: the absolute essential need for the future of our state for us to come together to defeat Bruce Rauner,” Biss said.

Pritzker’s strength was evident throughout the state based on the early returns. Biss, appealing to a younger voter, led only in the counties of McLean and



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Chris Kennedy speaks with supporters at a rally after J.B. Pritzker claimed the Democratic governor nomination Tuesday.



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Democratic governor candidate Daniel Biss hugs a supporter after giving his concession speech Tuesday in Chicago.

Champaign, home to two state universities. Kennedy was leading in only one county, tiny Hardin County, on the Indiana border.

Biss, who has served in the legislature since 2011, sought to appeal to a growing progressive movement that followed the 2016 presidential election. In contrast to his more wealthy rivals, Biss sought to portray himself as middle class while looking to the left wing of a divided Democratic Party for support.

Kennedy, an heir to the iconic Massachusetts political family, was largely forced to scramble for cash and TV time to get out his message against the far wealthier Pritzker and ultimately found a lane by attacking the state’s and Cook County’s Democratic establishment.

Even before the final day

of balloting began Tuesday, more than 441,000 early votes and votes by mail had been cast, according to the State Board of Elections. Of the total, more than 73 percent of those voters cast a Democratic primary ballot.

With his ability to write big campaign checks, Pritzker quickly became the establishment candidate. Democratic allies in organized labor quickly rallied around him, believing his deep pockets would allow them to devote their campaign cash to House and Senate races to protect Democratic majorities in the General Assembly.

Democratic House Speaker Michael Madigan did not formally endorse for governor, and neither did the state Democratic Party he chairs. But last fall, Pritzker won the backing of

the Madigan-influenced Cook County Democratic organization and later the state’s Democratic county chairmen’s association.

Pritzker also was hammered by millions of dollars in attack ads from Rauner, who sought to link him not only to Madigan, the governor’s chief political nemesis, but also to imprisoned ex-Gov. Rod Blagojevich. The Chicago Tribune reported that in November 2008, Pritzker was caught on federal wiretaps asking Blagojevich to appoint him state treasurer and strategizing with the soon-to-be-arrested governor on who to appoint to President-elect Barack Obama’s U.S. Senate seat.

In early February, Pritzker scrambled to rebuild support with African-American voters after the Tribune published record-

ings that showed Pritzker discussing potential black Senate candidates. Pritzker called Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White the “least objectionable” contender while speaking in blunt terms about others.

Pritzker also sought to defend offshore holdings as part of his longstanding philanthropy despite allegations from his opponents that he was using them to try to avoid taxes. And he was attacked for disconnecting toilets at a Gold Coast mansion to gain a reduction in his property assessment.

A name long known in national Democratic circles, Pritzker has given millions of dollars to politicians and was a major backer of Hillary Clinton’s campaigns for president, including her 2008 campaign against the home-state Barack Obama.

Pritzker was making his first statewide bid after losing a 1998 North Shore congressional race.

Despite his family lineage in Democratic politics, Kennedy sought to portray himself as a party outsider not long after entering the race in February 2017. He frequently criticized both Madigan and Cook County Assessor Joe Berrios, who also holds the title of county Democratic chairman, over the issue of unfair property assessments.

Kennedy also lashed out at Mayor Rahm Emanuel, contending he was leading a “strategic gentrification plan” to move African-Americans out of Chicago, and make the city wealthier and whiter.

For Kennedy, African-American voter support was key, and he regularly sought to use his family’s rich political history as a link. Both Kennedy’s father, U.S. Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, and uncle, President John F. Kennedy, were key figures in the civil rights struggle of the early 1960s.

Both his father and uncle also were assassinated, which Kennedy discussed as he focused on the gun violence that has ravaged Chicago.

But Kennedy also stumbled at times. After an appearance before the Tribune editorial board, Kennedy told reporters he believed that Republican Gov. Rauner should be “applauded” for speaking “truth to power.” The statement provided ready fodder for Democratic foes. And despite his property tax system critiques, Kennedy also had obtained assessment reductions.

Biss, a former mathematics professor educated at Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, sought to appeal to the party’s non-establishment wing and supporters of Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders’ unsuccessful 2016 bid for president.

The state senator worked to gain the backing of local insurgent groups as a way to overcome establishment opposition. Biss regularly criticized Madigan’s legislative and party leadership, though he voted for Madigan as speaker during a lone term in the House.

Traditional Democratic allies in organized labor shunned Biss’ campaign, in part because of his previous sponsorship of a law that would have slashed retirement benefits for public employees. The Illinois Supreme Court later ruled it unconstitutional, and during the campaign Biss called the measure a mistake.

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ELECTION 2018 BY THE NUMBERS

These results from Tuesday's elections are unofficial. Results in only contested races are provided, and write-in candidates are not represented. *Note: These tables are based on early results and are incomplete for some races. Information provided by Associated Press and Tribune staff reports.*

DEMOCRATIC GOVERNOR BY REGION						
	Pritzker	Biss	Kennedy	Hardiman	Marshall	Daiber
Cook	308,674	190,061	175,971	13,678	17,166	4,877
DuPage	8,328	6,801	6,358	156	114	141
Kane	13,662	10,561	10,626	342	297	249
Kendall	3,324	2,266	1,937	88	61	72
Lake	14,627	12,054	11,212	342	232	179
McHenry	4,441	3,722	2,854	76	81	70
Will	25,564	13,016	13,260	660	424	361
Downstate	142,490	57,211	50,726	3,578	4,736	7,971
Total	521,110	295,692	272,944	18,920	13,111	13,920

REPUBLICAN GOVERNOR		
	Rauner	Ives
Cook	67,188	57,126
DuPage	8,799	8,544
Kane	14,399	16,224
Kendall	3,428	3,915
Lake	13,802	12,709
McHenry	6,527	6,580
Will	17,956	20,354
Downstate	182,283	168,886
Total	314,382	294,338

ATTORNEY GENERAL	
Democratic	Republican
Kwame Raoul	336,032
Pat Quinn	304,210
Sharon Fairley	134,498
Nancy Rotering	99,446
Scott Drury	85,399
Jesse Ruiz	61,029
Renato Mariotti	43,252
Aaron Goldstein	33,809
Erika Harold	320,259
Gary Grasso	218,132

DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS		
District 2		
Robin Kelly	74,083	
Marcus Lewis	16,308	
District 3		
Dan Lipinski	44,139	
Marie Newman	42,584	
District 4		
Chuy Garcia	44,586	
Sol Flores	14,430	
Richard Gonzalez	8,007	
District 5		
Mike Quigley	56,067	
Sameena Mustafa	21,708	
Benjamin Wolf	8,542	
Steven Schwartzberg	3,624	
District 6		
Kelly Mazeski	8,467	
Sean Casten	7,095	
Carole Cheney	5,169	
Amanda Howland	3,967	
Becky Anderson Wilkins	1,337	
Ryan Huffman	1,170	
Jennifer Zordani	1,138	
District 7		
Danny Davis	74,210	
Anthony Clark	26,055	
District 12		
Brendan Kelly	38,167	
David Bequette	8,895	
District 13		
Betsy Dirksen Londrigan	21,551	
Erik Jones	10,861	
David Gill	6,744	
Jon Ebel	6,669	
Angel Sides	2,003	
District 14		
Lauren Underwood	23,918	
Matthew Brolley	5,689	
Jim Walz	4,108	
Victor Swanson	2,927	
John Hosta	2,007	
George Weber	1,992	
Daniel Roldan-Johnson	935	
District 15		
Kevin Gaither	16,655	
Carl Spooner	10,141	
District 16		
Sara Dady	14,984	
Neill Mohammad	10,152	
Amy Briel	7,331	
Beth Vercolio-Osmund	4,848	
District 18		
Junius Rodriguez	13,179	
Brian Deters	12,893	
Darrel Miller	6,058	

REPUBLICAN CONGRESS	
District 2	
David Merkle	4,812
Patrick Harmon	4,595
John Morrow	3,655
District 7	
Craig Cameron	3,221
Jeffrey Leaf	2,473
District 9	
John Elleson	9,775
Sargis Sangari	7,347
D. Vincent Thomas	4,541
Maxwell Rice	2,419
District 10	
Douglas Bennett	7,850
Jeremy Wynes	7,651
Sapan Shah	6,642
District 11	
Nick Stella	14,713
Connor Vlakancic	4,083
District 12	
Mike Bost	30,438
Preston Nelson	6,078
District 16	
Adam Kinzinger	37,608
Jim Marter	17,904
District 18	
Darin LaHood	55,162
Donald Rients	14,777

DEMOCRATIC STATE HOUSE	
District 1	
Aaron Ortiz	5,262
Daniel Burke	4,522
District 4	
Delia Ramirez	6,099
Iris Millan	2,636
Alyx Pattison	1,991
Anne Shaw	1,918
District 5	
Lamont Robinson	6,537
Dilara Sayeed	4,069
Ken Dunkin	2,947
Felicia Bullock	2,137
District 14	
Kelly Cassidy	12,759
Arthur Byrnie	2,068
District 17	
Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz	6,943
Candance Chow	6,478
Mary Rita Luecke	3,138
Alexandra Eidenberg	1,650
Pete Dagher	891
District 19	
Robert Martwick	8,285
Jeffrey Laporte	4,015
District 24	
Lisa Hernandez	5,936
Robert Reyes	4,308

REPUBLICAN STATE HOUSE	
District 25	
Curtis Tarver	4,194
Flynn Rush	2,657
Grace Chan McKibben	2,451
Adrienne Irmir	2,420
Angelique Collins	1,997
Anne Marie Miles	1,500
William Calloway	1,163
District 27	
Justin Slaughter	10,161
Tawana Robinson	8,393
District 28	
Bob Rita	9,454
Mary Carvlin	2,338
Kimberly Koschnitzky	1,647
District 29	
Thaddeus Jones	10,432
Corean Davis	5,733
District 31	
Cynthia Cunningham	12,552
Mary Flowers	2,585
Willie Preston	2,585
District 38	
Debbie Meyers-Martin	6,982
David Bonner	4,125
Max Solomon	2,714
Cecil Matthews	1,750

DEMOCRATIC STATE SENATE	
District 8	
Ram Villivalam	13,200
Ira Silverstein	7,419
Caroline McAteer-Fournier	3,529
David Zulkey	1,350
District 20	
Iris Martinez	17,149
Bart Goldberg	6,255
District 27	
Ann Gillespie	17,243
Joe Sonnefeldt	5,815

REPUBLICAN STATE SENATE	
District 54	
Jason Plummer	12,750
Benjamin Stratemeyer	4,292
Rafael Him	2,708
George Barber	2,425
District 57	
Tanya Hildenbrand	5,052
Bob Romanik	2,759

REFERENDUMS		
Chicago	YES	NO
Chicago - 12th Ward, Precincts 7, 10, 14, 15, 16, 18, 22: Lift ban on rent control	848	212
Chicago - 22nd Ward, Precincts 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 22, 25: Lift ban on rent control	1,281	280
Chicago - 25th Ward, All Precincts: Lift ban on rent control	2,608	832
Chicago - 33rd Ward, Precincts 1, 8, 13, 15, 20, 23: Lift ban on rent control	401	165
Chicago - 36th Ward, Precinct 23: Lift ban on rent control	81	22
Chicago - 3rd Ward, Precincts 4, 5, 7, 16, 18, 24, 28, 29, 35, 38: Lift ban on rent control	1,419	522
Chicago - 4th Ward, Precincts 5, 7, 12, 18, 34: Lift ban on rent control	516	118
Chicago - 5th Ward, Precincts 11, 18: Lift ban on rent control	482	125
Chicago - 7th Ward, Precinct 10: Lift ban on rent control	0	0
Chicago: Ban bump stocks	338,713	29,948
Chicago: Combat opioid crisis	316,506	45,361
Chicago: Preserve ACA benefits	327,275	39,426

COUNTY AND JUDICIAL RACES		
COOK COUNTY - DEMOCRATIC		
County Board President		
Toni Preckwinkle	398,205	
Bob Fioretti	259,267	
County Treasurer		
Maria Pappas	520,901	
Peter Gariepy	111,895	
County Assessor		
Fritz Kaegi	292,392	
Joseph Berrios	220,322	
Andrea Raila	132,918	
County Board - 1st District		
Richard Boykin	22,588	
Brandon Johnson	22,914	
County Board - 2nd District		
Paul Montes II	3,432	
Dennis Deer	10,086	
Lupe Aguirre	4,472	
Darryl Smith	6,121	
Eddie Johnson III	6,653	
County Board - 3rd District		
Joshua Gray	4,473	
Bill Lowry	15,522	
Patricia Horton	10,034	
Charise Williams	8,276	
Steven Wolfe	3,625	
Erick Nickerson	670	
Horace Howard	4,213	
County Board - 4th District		
Maria Barlow	16,839	
Stanley Moore	22,673	
Marcel Bright	4,414	
Gaylon Alcaraz	3,032	
County Board - 5th District		
Deborah Sims	30,061	
Timothy Parker	5,967	
Audrey Tanksley	3,055	
County Board - 6th District		
Patricia Joan Murphy	15,352	
Lou Presta	6,084	
Donna Miller	16,583	
County Board - 7th District		
Angeles Sandoval	9,256	
Alma Anaya	12,427	
County Board - 10th District		
Bridget Gainer	31,370	
Mary Ann Kosciak	10,971	
County Board - 12th District		
John Fritchey	16,316	
Bridget Degnen	20,093	
County Board - 13th District		
Bushra Amiwaia	11,914	
Larry Suffedin	26,038	
Daniel Foster	7,378	
County Board - 15th District		
Kevin Morrison	10,996	
Ravi Raju	11,020	
Circuit Court (Brewer Vacancy)		
Oran Whiting	184,093	
Kathryn Maloney Vahey	228,839	
John Maher	110,891	
Circuit Court (Clay Vacancy)		
Kathaleen Lanahan	194,286	
Jonathan Green	132,528	
Michael O'Malley	107,139	
Lori Roper	89,065	
Circuit Court (Dooling Vacancy)		
Tom Sianis	182,727	
Timothy Leeming	159,779	
Corri Fetzman	165,727	
Circuit Court (Flanagan Vacancy)		
Amanda Pillsbury	135,783	
Preston Jones Jr.	243,676	
Keely Hillison	82,698	
Ioana Salajanu	56,951	
Circuit Court (Hartigan Vacancy)		
Cecilia Horan	399,922	
Keith Spence	112,285	
Circuit Court (Jordan Vacancy)		
Clare Quish	329,092	
Jerry Barrido	113,416	
Patrick Dankwa John	68,295	
Circuit Court (McGinnis Vacancy)		
Brian Sexton	154,231	
Peter Gonzalez	258,035	
Bradley Trowbridge	95,026	
Circuit Court (Prendergast Rooney Vacancy)		
Jack Hagerty	296,272	
Mable Taylor	216,875	
1st Subcircuit (Hambright Vacancy)		
Litricia Payne	18,783	
Erika Orr	21,109	
2nd Subcircuit (Lampkin Vacancy)		
Tiana Ellis Blakely	24,170	
Frederick Bates	13,975	
2nd Subcircuit (Laws Vacancy)		
William Laws	14,756	
Adrienne Davis	23,458	

District 42	
Amy Grant	563
Burt Minor	184
Ayan Byrnie	128
District 46	
Jay Kinzler	620
Roger Orozco	147
District 49	
Tonia Khouri	3,888
Nic Zito	2,030
District 53	
Eddie Corrigan	5,612
Katie Miller	3,489
District 56	
Jillian Bernas	2,955
Char Kegarise	2,036
District 59	
Karen Feldman	1,522
Marko Sukovic	1,027
District 62	
Ken Idstein	2,526
Adam Solano	1,475

District 82	
Jim Durkin	4,393
Mickey Straub	1,978
District 89	
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Trump roasted for call toasting Putin

Aides said to have warned president not to offer praise

BY NOAH BIERMAN
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Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump recounted for reporters Tuesday his “very good call” to congratulate newly re-elected President Vladimir Putin, drawing a searing blast from Sen. John McCain, who said Trump had “insulted every Russian citizen who was denied the right to vote in a free and fair election.”

“An American president does not lead the Free World by congratulating dictators on winning sham elections,” McCain, R-Ariz., said in a statement and on his Twitter account.

Officials familiar with the call said Trump did not follow warnings from his national security advisers when he congratulated Putin, including a section in his briefing materials in all-capital letters stating “DO NOT CONGRATULATE.”

Trump also chose not to heed talking points from aides instructing him to condemn Putin about the recent poisoning of a former Russian spy in Britain with a nerve agent, a case that the British and U.S. governments have blamed on Moscow.

News of the Trump-Putin call came first from the Kremlin — foreign governments often disclose contacts with Trump before the White House, and with



KEVIN DIETSCH/UPI

President Trump congratulated Russian leader Vladimir Putin on his re-election, a move that drew criticism Tuesday.

more information — prompting reporters to question the president about the call during a brief session in the Oval Office.

“We had a very good call,” Trump said, “and I suspect that we’ll be meeting in the not-too-distant future to discuss the arms race, which is getting out of control.”

White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders offered little clarification about a future meeting of the presidents. “There are no specific plans made at this time,” she said.

Trump spoke to reporters as his visitor in the Oval Office, Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, looked on.

Trump’s conversation with Putin also came as lawmakers try to persuade the president to back down from his increasingly public battle with special counsel Robert Mueller, who is investigating Russia’s interference in the 2016 presidential race, possible links to the Trump campaign and whether the president has sought to obstruct justice.

Both House Speaker Paul Ryan and Senate Majority leader Mitch McConnell on Tuesday stepped to microphones in the Capitol to try to dissuade Trump from firing Mueller, a move that most Republicans believe would be catastrophic for his presidency.

“The special counsel

should be free to follow through with his investigation to its completion without interference, absolutely,” Ryan told reporters Tuesday. “I am confident he will be able to do that. I received assurances that his firing is not even under consideration.”

Asked who had given him those assurances, Ryan replied: “Oh, I’m not going to get into that.”

The suggestion was that it was Trump’s lawyers, who publicly insisted after the president maligned Mueller over the weekend that Trump was not considering firing the man leading the investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 election. McConnell cited

the lawyers’ comments as proof that Trump did not plan to lean on his Justice Department to fire Mueller.

“I heard the president’s lawyers say that Bob Mueller should be allowed to finish his job,” McConnell said. He went on to praise Mueller, a former FBI director with broad bipartisan support. “I think he will go where the facts lead him and I think he will have great credibility with the American people when he reaches the conclusion of this investigation.”

Meanwhile, Sen. Jeff Flake, a Trump’s critic, said he would support impeachment proceedings against Trump if the president ends Mueller’s investigation

“without cause.”

“We’re begging him, ‘Don’t go down this road. Don’t create a constitutional crisis. Don’t force the Congress to take the only remedy that Congress can take,’” said Flake, R-Ariz. “To remind the president of that is the best way to keep him from going down that road.”

Regarding Trump’s rapport with Putin, few Republicans have been as outspoken as McCain, the long-time Senate Armed Services committee chairman who is undergoing treatment for brain cancer.

More typical of Republican reaction was a comment from McConnell, who was noncommittal on Trump’s call to Putin, saying, “The president can call whomever he chooses.”

Sen. Lindsey Graham, a South Carolina Republican who is McCain’s close friend but less publicly critical of Trump, echoed McCain’s critique of Putin’s re-election Sunday. He tweeted: “Congratulations to Russian President Putin on his Fake Victory in the Fake Election. Heaven help the 25% who didn’t vote for him!”

Putin was re-elected Sunday with more than 77 percent of the vote.

Trump told reporters that he and Putin discussed matters related to North Korea, Syria and Ukraine.

Later, asked whether Trump raised the subject of Moscow’s U.S. election interference, Sanders said, “I don’t believe it came up.”

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Did data-mining firm use genius — or fool’s gold?

Many in GOP view Cambridge Analytica as nothing more than access to donations

BY EVAN HALPER
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WASHINGTON — When Cambridge Analytica officials met GOP strategist Mike Murphy at the start of the 2016 presidential campaign, their pitch was slick and full of swagger — but after a little probing, Murphy found it to be full of nonsense.

At the time, a meeting with Murphy was in demand. He was heading Right to Rise, a political action committee that was practically printing money, ultimately raising \$118 million in its unsuccessful effort to elect Jeb Bush. Murphy’s team concluded that Cambridge Analytica had nothing to offer other than hype.

Disclosures this week that the firm used massive amounts of data from Facebook to develop profiles of U.S. voters to help Donald Trump’s campaign have generated a public image of Cambridge Analytica as de-

vious masterminds of electoral manipulation. A secretly videotaped interview in which the firm’s CEO lays out how it could help clients blackmail rivals only fueled that perception.

But some Republican campaign professionals, data scholars and former clients offer a different take.

“They were telling me what they had to sell was more advanced than anything I had ever seen before,” Murphy said of the firm’s promise to use “psychographic profiling” that would cycle the tastes and interests of millions of voters into algorithms that then target them with tailor-made, highly persuasive digital ads. “They were just throwing jargon around,” he added, recalling the firm also claimed it did top-secret work for the military.

The company now is at the center of a growing firestorm that includes Facebook, the Federal Trade Commission and the U.S. and U.K. governments.



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Cambridge Analytica CEO Alexander Nix has been suspended by the firm’s board of directors after being recorded making admissions to a Channel 4 reporter.

Cambridge’s board of directors suspended CEO Alexander Nix pending an investigation after Nix boasted of various unsavory services to an undercover reporter for Britain’s Channel 4 News.

Channel 4 News broadcast clips Tuesday that also show Nix saying his data-mining firm played a major role in securing Trump’s victory.

Nix said the firm handled “all the data, all the analytics, all the targeting” and said Cambridge used emails with a “self-destruct timer” to make its role more difficult to trace.

“There’s no evidence, there’s no paper trail,

there’s nothing,” he said.

Cambridge has denied wrongdoing, and Trump’s campaign has said it didn’t use Cambridge’s data.

Leading Democrats in the U.S. Senate also called on Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg to testify. Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California, the top Democrat on the Senate Judiciary Committee, called Facebook’s latest privacy scandal a “danger signal.”

Regarding Cambridge Analytica, the company for some clients had been more of a conduit to endearing themselves to its billionaire financial backer, Robert Mercer, a major contributor to conservative campaigns.

“The thinking was if it gets Mercer to fund your super PAC, then it’s worth it to use this firm,” said Luke Thompson, vice president for politics and advocacy at the Republican analytics firm Appcart. But he said Cambridge Analytica’s claim that it has reinvented political persuasion is based on “ludicrous assumptions.”

Thompson was helping lead data efforts for the National Republican Senate Committee when the firm pitched its products in 2014. Thompson, a former academic who has taught at Yale, found the claims it was making absurd. He said that the psychographic mapping they were promising could

be done on a large scale struck him as improbable, and of limited value even if they did pull it off.

“It was all based on this pop psychology b.s., and even if you could do it, it would add only the most marginal value to a campaign,” he said. “Nobody was asking them the most basic data sourcing questions ... If you want to know what people think about politics, why would you do these surveys where you ask them about things like antique cars? Why not just ask them about politics?”

Such criticism of the firm, common among GOP analytics leaders, was muted by its connection to Mercer, a hedge fund billionaire who created a formula of algorithms and equations for investing that only a select group of math geniuses understand.

“I don’t understand how a man as smart as him put all this money into this black hole of nonsense,” Thompson said. The firm’s profile also got a boost from its connection to former Trump adviser Steve Bannon, who was a vice president there until joining the campaign.

Cambridge Analytica did not respond to questions about Mercer’s involvement or the firm’s track record.

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Senators call for more safeguards in midterm vote

Panel points to Russian meddling in 2016 election in issuing cyberattack warnings

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WASHINGTON — Government efforts to protect state and local elections from Russian cyberattacks in 2016 didn’t go far enough, leaders of the Senate intelligence committee said Tuesday as the panel released

recommendations to safeguard against foreign meddling in the primary season that’s already underway.

Federal warnings last time did not provide enough information or in some cases go to the right people in state and local governments, the committee’s leaders said, though they reiterated that there was no evidence votes were

changed. Russian agents targeted election systems in 21 states ahead of the 2016 general election, the Homeland Security Department has said, and top U.S. intelligence officials have said they’ve seen indications Russian agents are preparing a new round of election interference this year.

The committee’s recommendations include urging states to make sure voting machines have paper audit trails and aren’t capable of being connected to the in-

ternet. Senators also are pushing for better communication among the various U.S. intelligence agencies and federal, state and local governments about cyberthreats and vulnerabilities in computer systems.

The committee’s recommendations preview an election security report expected to be released in the coming weeks. It is the first of three reports the panel plans to write in its wide-ranging investigation into Russian meddling in the

2016 election.

Committee Chairman Richard Burr, R-N.C., and Virginia Sen. Mark Warner, the top Democrat on the panel, released a preview of committee recommendations ahead of a Wednesday hearing examining attempted hacks on state election systems in 2016 and the federal and state response.

Even with Republican and Democratic support, it’s unclear if the recommendations will translate into legislation. Burr said

his panel doesn’t have jurisdiction over the issues, so another committee would have to write any bills in Congress.

“While our investigation is still ongoing, one conclusion is clear: The Russians were relentless in attempting to meddle in the 2016 elections, and they will continue their efforts to undermine public confidence in Western democracies and in the legitimacy of our elections,” Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, said.

China installs 'Mr. Fix-It' as new VP

Wang, trustworthy official known for taking on difficult issues, is an ally of President Xi

BY CHRISTOPHER BODEEN
Associated Press

BELJING — Wang Qishan is known as China's "Mr. Fix-It," a trustworthy official deployed to tackle the thorniest of crises — from crumbling banks to deadly illness to high-level corruption. Those who've met him describe him as bold and probing, a problem solver who enjoys philosophical debates and has a wicked sense of humor.

As China's vice president, the 69-year-old Wang is expected to be a key element in furthering President Xi Jinping's agenda of shoring up Communist Party rule while ending corruption and poverty.

Wang is known for integrity and competence, but his appointment Saturday by the ceremonial legislature, in a pro-forma vote of the 2,969-1, was widely regarded as unconventional.

To keep Wang past retirement age, Xi had him step down from the Politburo Standing Committee while ennobling him in what had been a relatively meaningless ceremonial post.

That stands to diminish the influence of the others on the seven-member committee, including Xi's rival, Premier Li Keqiang — ostensibly China's second-most powerful official — particularly if Wang is handed important tasks giving him authority over their affairs.

"Definitely, this will further marginalize Li Keqiang," said University of Miami Chinese politics expert June Teufel Dreyer. "Having amassed so much power, it's to be expected that Xi wants a lieutenant in whom he has complete trust."

While Wang's specific duties have yet to be spelled out, under China's constitution, he would take over as

head of state should Xi be unable to fulfill his duties. Unconfirmed reports also say he will be permitted to attend high-level meetings, including those of the Politburo Standing Committee, as a non-voting observer.

Wang has also been seen at events such as Saturday's ceremony at the Great Hall of the People, seated in eighth place in the order of hierarchy, just after the seven members of the Politburo Standing Committee.

Wang shares aspects of Xi's background, and the two appear very much in agreement on the need for firm party rule and strict discipline to guide China's economic development.

The two are believed to have first met while serving as "sent-down youths" in impoverished Shaanxi province during the 1966-76 Cultural Revolution. Wang, five years older than the 64-year-old Xi, left first for university and later conducted research on 19th and 20th century Chinese history at a state academy.

His marriage to the daughter of a rising political leader granted him the "princeling" status enjoyed by relatives of the Communist elite. Wang's fortunes rose with those of his father-in-law, Yao Yilin, who as first vice premier backed the bloody military crackdown on pro-democracy protesters in 1989.

Wang soon showed a particular talent for dealing with stricken state financial vehicles. In one notable triumph, he was praised for helping shield China from the aftershocks of the 1997 Asian financial crisis, after which he was named party secretary of the booming island province of Hainan.

His crisis-management skills were in demand again when a mystery respiratory illness was identified. During the deadly 2003 SARS outbreak, Wang was named



Wang Qishan takes the oath of office as China's vice president during a plenary session of the National People's Congress. Wang is best known for tackling thorny issues.

mayor of Beijing, where he helped quell panic by ordering quarantines and daily public updates.

Wang was then handed responsibility for preparing the city for the 2008 Summer Olympics and, after being named a vice premier, Shanghai's 2010 World Expo.

He is perhaps best known, however, for being Xi's enforcer following his 2012 elevation to the Politburo Standing Committee, charged with carrying out a sweeping crackdown on corruption as head of the party's watchdog body that has seen some 1.5 million party members punished, including life sentences for

a former Politburo Standing Committee member and a top general.

Partly as a result of that work, Wang has maintained a relatively low public profile over recent years.

Yet he raised eyebrows in September with a 90-minute meeting with President Donald Trump's former adviser Steve Bannon, during which he reportedly quizzed the renowned anti-globalist about topics including economic nationalism and populist movements.

More conventionally, he has stressed steps taken to instill greater discipline among party members and shoring up party authority

in meetings with guests as varied as Singapore's Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong, Vietnam's Communist Party chief Nguyen Pho Trong and Carlyle Group co-founder David Rubenstein.

"These reforms demonstrated the confidence of society with the (party) Central Committee," Wang told Trong last year.

Despite such anodyne declarations, Wang's intelligence, personality and drive leave a definite impression. One much-circulated photo shows him with former President Barack Obama smiling and holding a basketball as if taking a lesson on how to shoot

baskets.

Former U.S. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson pointed to the former academic's knowledge of history and his "decisive and inquisitive nature," along with his boldness in overcoming obstacles.

"He takes on challenges, does things that have never been done before and succeeds," Paulson wrote for Time magazine's Most Influential People of 2009. Wang also exhibits a "wicked sense of humor," Paulson wrote.

In addition to grappling with corruption, Wang is also expected to capitalize on his experience leading regular exchanges with the U.S. to help guide policy with Washington in the uncertain age of Trump. An early test may be his ability to head off a trade war with the U.S., said Beijing commentator Zhang Lifan.

"We know he is good at finance and the economy and regarded as a troubleshooter, but it is questionable," Zhang said.

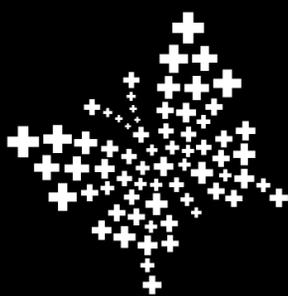
The removal of term limits that allows Xi to rule as long as he wishes will also allow Wang to be his vice president indefinitely. With no children and no political dynasty of his own to shape, Wang seems fully committed to being in the thick of Chinese politics.

Steve Tsang, director of the China Institute at London's School of Oriental and African Studies, questions whether that is a gamble worth taking for either Wang or Xi.

Assigning Wang such a senior portfolio against accepted norms is politically risky and says much about Xi's willingness to defy his own party, "much as Wang is genuinely one of the most able among China's top level leaders," Tsang said.

"If Xi indeed ignores this, it shows how he is already putting himself in a Leninist strongman mode in how he exercises his leadership from this point onward," he said.

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States reload firearm research efforts

Funding study in universities fills gap created by feds

BY MICHAEL OLLOVE
Special to The Washington Post

As deaths from mass shootings have mounted across the United States, some states are moving to collect hard data to guide their decisions about guns — even as the federal government has retreated from such research in the face of pressure from pro-gun groups.

The New Jersey legislature, for example, is weighing a measure that would create a gun-violence research center at Rutgers University. The center would be modeled on the new Firearm Violence Prevention Research Center at the University of California, Davis, which launched last summer with \$5 million in state money over five years.

The impetus for both initiatives is a vacuum created by the federal government's virtual abandonment of research into gun violence — its causes, its patterns, its perpetrators, its victims and the best ways, based on scientific evidence, to curtail it.

The federal government's reluctance to fund research has had a ripple effect. A study published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* last year found that from 2004 to 2015, research related to gun violence was "substantially underfunded and understudied" compared with other leading causes of death, based on the mortality rates of each. The study said that gun violence research received a paltry 1.6 percent of the funding (\$22 million) that would be predicted (\$1.4 billion) based on the number of deaths caused by guns — 36,252 in 2015, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The influence of pro-gun groups has also dissuaded



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Activists protest in Pompano Beach, Fla., last month in front of Kalashnikov USA, which makes the AK-47 rifle.

many private foundations from funding such research, according to David Hemenway, who studies gun violence and injury prevention at the T.H. Chan School of Public Health at Harvard University.

"If you fund gun research, you know you'll be attacked, and there are so many other things that need research," Hemenway said. "Funders figure they don't need the headaches that come with studying gun violence."

In California and New Jersey, supporters of research say states must pick up the slack.

"California essentially said that the federal government wasn't fulfilling its responsibility, so we're going to step into the breach, just as we have with climate change and years before with highway safety," said Karen Wintemute, the director of the new California center and an emergency physician who has studied gun violence for three decades.

The feeling in New Jer-

sey was the same, according to state Sen. Troy Singleton, a Democrat who introduced a separate bill to fund a \$400,000 study of gun violence. It passed out of a Senate committee this month.

"I'm dismayed over the political decision that caused the federal government to walk away from studying this issue, which has put us in a dangerous situation nationally," Singleton said. "When we develop evidence-based solutions, that's when we're at our best."

In the wake of the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Florida in February, a few congressional Republicans have indicated a willingness to lift federal restrictions on gun research.

Gun-violence researchers say such a shift would make a huge difference. Without federally funded research, they say, policymakers lack the basic information that would help them make wise decisions. "What isn't known?"

Hemenway said. "Everything. Everything."

For instance, there are no national studies of who owns guns, how gun owners acquired their weapons, the theft of guns, the number of households with guns, the attributes of high-quality gun training or the risk factors associated with gun violence.

Without that knowledge, Hemenway said, "how are you supposed to come up with effective policy?"

The federal government's withdrawal from gun research began in the late 1990s. Gun researchers such as Hemenway said it was spurred by the first studies indicating that the presence of a firearm in the home increased rather than decreased the chances of gun-related fatalities, either by suicide or homicide. Subsequent studies confirmed those findings.

The studies incensed pro-gun organizations such as the National Rifle Association, which protested to congressional supporters. The result was the Dickey

Amendment, which Congress added to the 1996 funding bill for the CDC, and which bars the agency from using money to "advocate or promote gun control." Former U.S. congressman Jay Dickey, an Arkansas Republican who died last year, eventually expressed regret for the amendment that bears his name.

The Dickey Amendment does not explicitly prohibit the CDC from studying gun violence. But it has had a chilling effect on such research, especially since Congress cut the CDC's budget by exactly the amount that it had been spending on gun-related research, about \$2.6 million a year.

Though the National Institutes of Health and the National Institute of Justice have continued to hand out small grants for such research, NIH several months ago quietly shelved an \$11.4 million gun-violence research initiative that President Barack Obama launched in 2013 in re-

sponse to the Sandy Hook Elementary School massacre in Newtown, Conn. The initiative has funded 14 firearm-related projects over the past three years.

Even if there isn't as much gun research as there should be, Philip Cook, a professor at the Sanford School of Public Policy at Duke University, argues that policymakers should be paying attention to what is being produced.

In a December article in the journal *Science*, Cook cited published research that shows an increase in violent crime as states replaced concealed-carry laws with right-to-carry laws.

Concealed-carry legislation gave law enforcement the authority to determine whether a gun owner had a justifiable reason to carry a concealed weapon. Right-to-carry laws give most gun owners that right without having to justify themselves.

Similarly, according to Cook's paper, research has shown that laws preventing those with misdemeanor convictions for domestic violence from owning guns have saved lives.

Finally, he noted, research showed that laws that increased prison sentences for those using a firearm in an aggravated assault or robbery has reduced the rate of robberies in which a gun is involved.

"Despite the relative lack of federal funding in this area, there has been quite a lot of research going on," Cook said. "And it's productive and evidence-based, exactly what is needed to create effective policy."

At UC Davis, Wintemute said his center plans to give California lawmakers what they need to create effective policy.

"Soon we're going to publish the first large-scale epidemiological study on gun violence in California in 30 years," he said. "The reason I know that is because I'm the one who did the study 30 years ago."



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Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer speaks with reporters Tuesday, accompanied by Sens. Patty Murray, D-Wash., Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., and Dick Durbin, D-Ill.

Border wall, NYC tunnel fight slow spending bill

BY ANDREW TAYLOR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump will reap a huge budget increase for the military while Democrats cement wins on infrastructure and other domestic programs that they failed to get under President Barack Obama if lawmakers can agree on a \$1.3 trillion government-wide spending bill before a deadline later this week.

Battles over budget priorities in the huge bill were essentially settled Tuesday, but a scaled-back plan for Trump's border wall and a fight over a tunnel under the Hudson River still held up a final agreement.

GOP leaders were hopeful a deal could be announced as early as Tuesday night, allowing for a House vote Thursday. If a bill doesn't pass Congress by midnight Friday, the government will shut down for a third time this year.

The measure on the table would provide major funding increases for the Pentagon — \$80 billion over current limits — bringing the military budget to \$700 billion and giving GOP defense hawks a long-sought victory.

"We made a promise to the country that we would rebuild our military. Aging equipment, personnel shortages, training lapses, maintenance lapses — all of this has cost us," said House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis. "With this week's critical funding bill we will begin to reverse that damage."

Domestic accounts would get a generous 10 percent increase on average as well, awarding Democrats the sort of increases they sought but never secured during the Obama administration.

Democrats touted billions to fight the nation's opioid addiction epidemic. More than \$2 billion would go to strengthen school safety through grants for training, security measures, and treatment for the mentally ill. Medical research at the National Institutes of Health, a longstanding bipartisan priority, would receive a record \$3 billion increase to \$37 billion.

"We have worked to restore and in many cases increase investments in education, health care, opioids, NIH, child care, college affordability and other domestic and military priorities," said Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., a key

negotiator of the measure.

Agencies historically unpopular with Republicans, such as the IRS, appear likely to get increases too, in part to prepare for implementation of Trump's recently passed tax measure. The Environmental Protection Agency, always a GOP target, may get a reprieve this year.

Lawmakers agreed on the broad outlines of the budget plan last month, after a standoff forced an overnight shutdown. The legislation implementing that deal is viewed as possibly one of few bills moving through Congress this year, making it a target for lawmakers and lobbyists seeking to attach their top priorities.

But efforts to add on unrelated legislation to tackle politically charged issues, such as immigration and rapidly rising health insurance premiums, appeared to be faltering.

Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., was working on Trump's behalf against funding for a Hudson River tunnel and rail project that's important to Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., and Republicans from New York and New Jersey.

School shooter, 17, dies in confrontation

BY MATTHEW BARAKAT AND JESSE J. HOLLAND
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GREAT MILLS, Md. — A teenager with a handgun shot and critically wounded a girl inside a Maryland school Tuesday and the shooter was killed when a school resource officer confronted him moments after the gunfire erupted.

It wasn't immediately clear whether the shooter took his own life or was killed by the officer's bullet, St. Mary's County Sheriff Tim Cameron said, but the officer was credited with preventing any more loss of life.

Authorities didn't release a motive, but said they

believe the girl and the shooter — 17-year-old Austin Rollins — previously had a relationship.

A 14-year-old boy also suffered a gunshot wound, but it wasn't clear who shot him. He was in good condition.

The officer, who doubles as a SWAT team member, was unharmed.

The shooting at Great Mills High School rocked a nation still reeling from the Feb. 14 massacre of 17 people at a Florida high school by a teenage boy with an assault weapon. Students across the country have planned an anti-gun violence march this weekend at the nation's capital.

Politicians responded

swiftly to the Maryland shooting, acknowledging that it increased the pressure for action.

"We sympathize. We empathize. We have moments of silence. But we don't have action," said the No. 2 U.S. House Democrat, Steny Hoyer, who represents the area in Congress. "Wringing our hands is not enough."

In this case, it appeared the shooter illegally possessed the gun.

In Maryland, a person must be 21 to possess a handgun, unless carrying one is required for employment. It's not clear how Rollins obtained the weapon.

Attempts to reach his family were unsuccessful.

Delta sends puppy on a dayslong, 3,700-mile trip

BY LINDSEY BEVER
The Washington Post

An 8-week-old puppy headed to his new home in Idaho was mistakenly flown thousands of miles around the country, landing in at least four other states before reaching his destination, his owner said.

The owner, Josh Schlaich, told NBC affiliate KTVB that he was expecting Delta Air Lines to deliver his dog Saturday, but instead he received a call from an airline employee in Detroit, saying the pup was being kept at a boarding facility overnight. From there, the pup was flown in a crate to Minneapolis, but the airline said he was then "misrouted" to Las Vegas and sent to Salt Lake City on his way to his home in Boise, according to CNN.

Schlaich told KTVB that when he got to Boise Air-

port on Sunday to pick up his dog, the airline gave him the wrong one.

He said it was, in actuality, his dog's litter mate. Both of them had been sent from a Virginia breeder to Boise, he said.

"We went for a couple of hours not really knowing where this dog was," Schlaich told the station. "We didn't really know how it would be taken care of at the boarding facility. The dog has been in a crate for two days and it's an 8-week-old puppy."

Ultimately, the puppy arrived safely, Schlaich said.

The latest misadventure comes amid national attention and heightened concerns over airlines' handling of animals.

Following the mishap over the weekend, Delta Air Lines apologized Tuesday "for the delayed ship-

ment of a dog."

"We know pets are important members of the family and apologize for the delayed shipment of a dog, which is in the hands of its owner, after it was routed through incorrect connecting points on its way to Boise," the airline said in a statement. "Delta teams worked quickly to reunite the dog and his owner, while remaining in constant contact with the customer throughout the process to update him on the status of his pet. We have fully refunded the shipping costs and have initiated an immediate review."

The issue came to light when Schlaich, the animal's owner, posted a message over the weekend on the airline's Facebook page.

Associated Press contributed.



SUZANNE CORDEIRO/GETTY-AFP

Tuesday's package is believed to have been sent from this facility in Sunset Valley, Texas.

Amid Austin's serial blasts, unrelated one adds panic

BY PAUL J. WEBER AND WILL WEISSERT
Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — Emergency teams rushed Tuesday night to another reported explosion in Austin — this one at a Goodwill store — but police and federal authorities said the blast wasn't related to recent bombings that have killed and injured people and caused panic across Texas' capital for weeks.

Police and emergency response teams said an "incendiary device" exploded, injuring a man in his 30s. Nearby stores, shopping centers and restaurants were evacuated. But police and the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives said a short time later that it was unrelated to the previous blasts.

Gary Davis, president and CEO of Goodwill Texas, stood outside a police barrier huddling with other Goodwill employees. He said the device was contained in a bag and detonated when a worker moved it.

"We put all the donations we get in a big cardboard box. He pulled something out in a bag, com-

pletely normal, and the device went off," Davis said. He added: "In this town, if an incendiary device goes off, everybody just scatters and panics. We're all on edge."

That incident came as investigators who have pursued a suspected serial bomber terrorizing Austin for weeks uncovered what seemed like valuable new leads.

Even before the report of Tuesday night's explosion, it had already been a busy day. Before dawn, a bomb inside a package exploded around 1 a.m. as it passed along a conveyor belt at a FedEx shipping center near San Antonio, causing minor injuries to a worker.

The Austin Police Department, the FBI and other federal agencies confirmed that the package center blast was related to four previous ones that killed two people and seriously injured four others.

That explosion occurred at a FedEx facility in Schertz, about 60 miles southwest of Austin.

Later in the morning, police sent a bomb squad to a FedEx facility outside the Austin airport to check on a suspicious package that was reported. Federal

agencies and police later said that package had indeed contained an explosive that was intercepted and that it, too, was tied to the other bombings.

Authorities also closed off an Austin-area FedEx store where they believe the bomb that exploded was shipped to the distribution center. They roped off a large area around the shopping center in the enclave of Sunset Valley and were collecting evidence, including surveillance camera footage.

U.S. Rep. Michael McCaul, a Republican from Austin who is chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, said that investigators have obtained surveillance videos that "could possibly" show a suspect, but are still poring through video.

"I hope his biggest mistake was going through FedEx," McCaul, who has spoken to federal investigators and Austin police Chief Brian Manley, said of the bomber.

Meanwhile, a spokesman for the Austin Police Department confirmed published reports that authorities are aware of posts made by a Reddit user claiming to be the bomber.

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High court could strike Calif. disclosure law

Pregnancy centers must tell women of abortion subsidies

By **DAVID G. SAVAGE**
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court sounded ready Tuesday to strike down a California disclosure law that requires pregnancy centers, including those that are faith-based and anti-abortion, to notify women that the state offers subsidies for abortion.

A ruling striking down the law could doom similar laws in Hawaii and Illinois, and also call into question laws in other states that seek to regulate doctors' speech.

California's legislature adopted the disclosure rule three years ago based on concerns that more than 200 "crisis pregnancy centers" sometimes used "deceptive advertising and counseling practices that often confuse [or] misinform" pregnant women about their options. Under the law, the non-profit centers must post a prominent notice if they have "no licensed medical provider" available. Centers that are licensed must go further and notify clients that the state offers "free or low-cost" contraception, prenatal care and abortion.

The state's lawyers defended the law on the grounds that warnings and disclosures are routine for hospitals, doctors and prescription drugs. They noted that the Supreme Court in the past has upheld the principle of "informed consent," including in abortion cases. But during Tuesday's argument, most of the justices took sharp issue with all or parts of the California law. They said it was unfairly targeted at the faith-based centers. Doctors and for-profit clinics were exempted from the law.

"If it has been gerryman-



ANDREW HARNIK/AP

A pro-abortion rights supporter holds an umbrella that reads "#EndTheLies" outside the high court Tuesday.

Judge blocks new Miss. law

The most restrictive abortion law in the country was in effect less than 24 hours before a federal judge temporarily blocked it Tuesday during what could become a long legal fight between Mississippi's Republican governor and the state's only abortion clinic.

Gov. Phil Bryant on Monday signed a bill banning abortion after 15 weeks' gestation.

U.S. District Judge Carlton Reeves heard arguments Tuesday before granting the clinic's immediate request for a temporary restraining order.

— Associated Press

dered, that's a serious issue," said Justice Elena Kagan. Agreeing, Justice Samuel Alito said the law "has a lot of crazy exceptions. ... What you're left with is a very strange pattern, and, gee, it turns out just about the only clinics that are covered by this are pro-life clinics."

Others said it violated the First Amendment by requiring these private clinics put out the state's message. Justice Anthony Kennedy described the re-

quired notice as "mandating speech" that "alters the content of the message."

Justice Neil Gorsuch agreed the state would want people to have "full information about their options," but why put the burden on these centers? The state has "other means to provide messages. ... It's pretty unusual to force a private speaker to do that for you under the First Amendment," he said.

Still others voiced concern over the advertising burden put on small, non-profit centers. Michael Faris, a lawyer for the centers, said advertisements, including billboards, would have to include disclosures in large print and in 13 languages.

By the hour's end, it appeared the justices will vote to strike down all or at least most of the law's mandatory disclosure provisions. Tuesday's case marked the third time in recent months that the justices weighed a conservative group's claim that a liberal state law amounts to unconstitutional "compelled speech."

The justices will rule in the case, *NIFLA v. Becerra*, by late June.

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Republicans: Mississippi gov. to appoint a woman to Senate

JACKSON, Miss. — Mississippi's governor will appoint the state's agriculture commissioner to fill the Senate vacancy that will soon be created when veteran Sen. Thad Cochran retires, three state Republicans told The Associated Press on Tuesday.

Cindy Hyde-Smith, a 58-year-old Republican, was elected agriculture commissioner in 2011 and has held the job since then. She will be the first

woman to represent Mississippi in either the U.S. House or Senate.

Once appointed, Hyde-Smith will immediately be running for re-election for the nearly three years remaining in Cochran's term. That special election will be Nov. 6. Two of the sources said Gov. Phil Bryant was expected to announce his selection of Hyde-Smith as early as Wednesday.

The sources spoke on condition of anonymity.

Ex-French president Sarkozy held on Gadhafi claims

PARIS — Former French President Nicolas Sarkozy was taken into custody Tuesday in connection with allegations that he received millions of euros in illegal campaign financing from the regime of the late Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi.

A judicial source with direct knowledge of the case told The Associated Press that Sarkozy was being held at the Nanterre police station, north-west

of Paris. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to discuss the matter publicly.

Sarkozy arrived at the police station early in the morning and remained there well into the night.

Sarkozy, 63, has vehemently and repeatedly denied wrongdoing in the case, which involves funding for his winning 2007 presidential campaign.

Minneapolis officer charged in shooting of Australian woman

MINNEAPOLIS — A Minneapolis police officer was charged Tuesday with murder and manslaughter in the fatal shooting of an unarmed Australian woman in July minutes after she called 911 to report a possible sexual assault behind her home.

Officer Mohamed Noor turned himself in after a warrant was issued for his arrest. He shot Justine Ruszczyk Damond, a 40-year-old life coach, on July

15. Damond's death drew international attention, cost the police chief her job and forced major revisions to the department's policy on body cameras.

Hennepin County Attorney Mike Freeman said the law makes it difficult to charge police officers unless they are "unacceptably reckless." He said, "I agree with that." He added: "Clearly Officer Noor violated the rules and deserves to be charged."



EVAN VUCCI/AP

First lady Melania Trump speaks Tuesday during a White House discussion on cyberbullying. "I am well aware that people are skeptical of me discussing this topic," she said.

First lady says she'll battle cyberbullying despite critics

WASHINGTON — Melania Trump pushed back against critics Tuesday, declaring her commitment to combating cyberbullying despite the hits she has endured for taking on the issue while her husband routinely goes on Twitter to berate foes and call them names.

"I am well aware that people are skeptical of me discussing this topic," the first lady said. "I have been criticized for my commitment to tackling this issue, and I know that will continue. But it will not stop me from doing what I know is right. I am here with one

goal: helping children and our next generation."

Mrs. Trump commented as she convened executives from major online and social media companies at the White House to discuss cyberbullying and internet safety. The meeting came more than a year after she announced that cyberbullying would be her cause if her husband were elected.

The choice was immediately assailed. On Tuesday, Mrs. Trump said she's not backing down.

The first lady said she gets many letters from children who have been bullied or who feel threatened on

social media. She told the executives "I believe together we can make a real difference in encouraging positive behaviors on social media."

Amazon, Snap, Facebook, Google, Twitter and Microsoft sent representatives, as did the Internet Association and the Family Online Safety Institute.

"She really wanted to know how we can best educate parents so that they can use the tools that companies provide to keep kids safe online," said Stephen Balkam, CEO of the Family Online Safety Institute.

Carson on \$31K dining set: I left details to my wife

WASHINGTON — Housing Secretary Ben Carson, under fire after his office ordered a \$31,000 dining set, told a House panel Tuesday that he left furniture purchasing decisions to his wife.

Carson said that he was unaware of the purchase and canceled it as soon as

he learned about it in news reports. But emails released by an accountability organization last week suggest that Carson and his wife, Candy Carson, both played a role in selecting the furniture. On Wednesday, Carson told a House Appropriations subcommittee that he and his wife

looked at furniture catalogs together. But "the prices were beyond what I wanted to pay," he said. "I made it clear that didn't seem right to me."

Carson said he then put his wife in charge of furniture selection. "I left it with my wife to help choose something," he said.

Rocket attack on Syrian capital kills 35, injures 20

BEIRUT — Rockets fired on a market in a government-controlled neighborhood of Damascus on Tuesday killed 35 people and wounded more than 20 others, Syrian state-run media said.

The government blamed rebels in the eastern suburbs of Damascus for the attack. The capital, seat of President Bashar Assad's power, has come under increasing attack as government forces continue to pound rebel-held eastern Ghouta, with military backing from Russia.

With government forces tied up in the monthlong offensive on eastern Ghouta, Islamic State militants seized a neighborhood on its southern edge, forcing the government to rush in reinforcements.

Militants captured the neighborhood of Qadam late Monday, a week after rebels had surrendered it to the government.

South Korea said Tuesday it will send a 160-member artistic group to North Korea, including K-Pop singers, for rare concerts there. The musical artists will visit Pyongyang from March 31 to April 3, according to a joint statement. The development comes during a thaw in the North Korean nuclear crisis.

Chinese Premier Li Ke-qiang appealed to Washington on Tuesday to "act rationally" and avoid disrupting trade over steel, technology and other disputes. Li made no mention of a possible Chinese response if U.S. President Donald Trump raises import barriers over trade complaints against Beijing.

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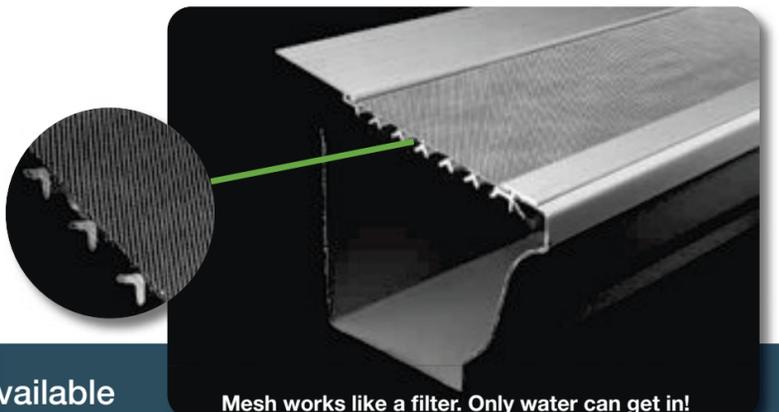
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EDITORIALS

Congrats, voters, for rebuking Berrios

You did it, Democratic voters. On Tuesday you resoundingly informed Joseph Berrios, the classic somebody somebody sent, that you no longer want his services as the property assessor of Cook County. You chose as your party's candidate for the November general election a gifted and serious candidate, Frederick "Fritz" Kaegi. Good for you!

And that sense of déjà vu you're experiencing? Except for the necessary substitutions to reflect Tuesday's results, that was the opening paragraph of our celebratory editorial the morning after the 2010 Illinois primary. In that one you explained to Todd Stroger, then president of the Cook County Board, that you'd had enough of his regressive tax policy and his patronage fiefdom. In this one you've explained to Berrios that you've had enough of his regressive assessments and his patronage fiefdom.

A third candidate, Andrea Raila, went to court hoping to void the election count after inaccurate information about her

candidacy was posted in some polling places.

For now, voters, take pride in both the 2010 and 2018 rebukes to what remains of the Democratic machine. But appreciate that this one is sweeter. This time you've repulsed Michael Madigan, head of the state party that Berrios serves as Cook County chairman. You've embarrassed Madigan. He couldn't drag Berrios to victory.

You've also embarrassed other supposedly progressive Democrats — including candidate for governor J.B. Pritzker, Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel and Stroger's successor, Toni Preckwinkle. These enablers stayed mostly silent about Berrios' discriminatory assessment system throughout this campaign.

These sly Dems didn't want to buck

Madigan by decrying his dutiful servant Berrios. In a gut-check that none of us should forget, they proved gutless. They figure you'll soon forget, if not exactly forgive: *That was just politics, wink, I'm a loyal Democrat.* But the rest of us can't let election night be the end of this sorry episode. Berrios' system has hurt real families that can't afford property taxes inflated by unfair assessments. So the next time one of these alleged progressives lectures

about income inequality or racial discrimination or the plight of the poor, look him or her in the eye and say: "You didn't repudiate Berrios and fight this social injustice. Why should we pay attention to what you're telling us now?"

We're proud of the role that Tribune and ProPublica Illinois journalists have played during the past 10 months in exposing the

blatant injustices fomented by Berrios and his cronies. His chronic patronage, his phony boast of reforms that didn't happen, his refusal to abide by county ethics rules — yes, those three behaviors have cheated the 5-million-plus citizens of Cook County. Yet those behaviors didn't discriminate by income. His assessment system has.

So be glad, voters, that you've said we the people no longer will be complicit in Berrios' unfairness to thousands of property taxpayers. You've blocked him from the November ballot and instead nominated a candidate who as of now has no general election opponent.

As for you, Mr. Berrios, the voters have spoken, hooted, rebuked. You're fired. Now you have a choice.

You can spend a few months as a lame duck wandering around the Cook County Building. Or you can do the right thing you've been saving for a special occasion: You can walk away now.

Mr. Berrios, the voters have spoken, hooted, rebuked. You're fired.

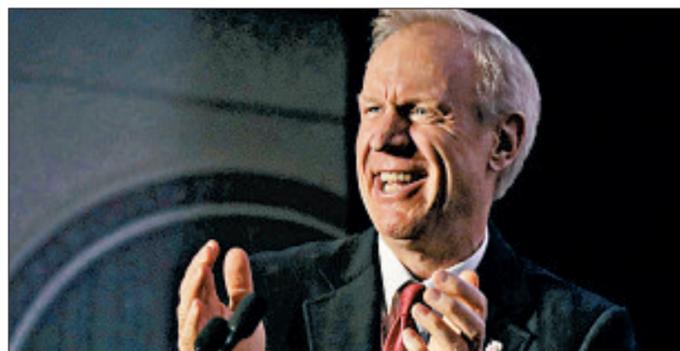
Rauner, Pritzker and 'whatever it takes'

In the end, money talked. Loudly and relentlessly. Perhaps you heard it thundering through your television. After spending a combined \$50 million on TV ads, billionaires J.B. Pritzker and Gov. Bruce Rauner evidently won their respective primaries — the former more convincingly than the latter.

Braze yourselves, voters. They're only getting started. In what's expected to be the most expensive governor's race in Illinois and possibly U.S. history, a Hyatt Hotel heir with deep roots in national Democratic politics wants to unseat an incumbent Republican with more than \$50 million so far in his campaign war chest.

What to expect, besides another bombardment of ads? A February poll from the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University measured a one-on-one matchup between Rauner and Pritzker. The survey of registered and likely voters showed Pritzker leading Rauner 50 percent to 35 percent. But remember, polls are a snapshot in time. Much can and will unfold between now and the Nov. 6 general election.

Pritzker, a first-time statewide candidate with minimal name recognition, managed to withstand several embarrassments in his six-way primary. He survived questions about a peculiar property tax break he received on one of his Chicago mansions. He defended an FBI-recorded conversation with former Gov. Rod Blagojevich during which Pritzker fished for an appointment — for himself — to a statewide post. Pritzker apologized for not being his "best self" after separate FBI recording surfaced, revealing a conversation in



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Gov. Bruce Rauner declares victory Tuesday at his election party in Chicago.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

J.B. Pritzker speaks after winning Tuesday's Democratic primary for governor.

which Pritzker and Blagojevich sized up various black elected officials for a U.S. Senate appointment. Pritzker called one of them, Secretary of State Jesse White, the "least offensive," a haughty comment that insulted black voters and forced an apology tour.

So how will Pritzker fare against \$50 million (at least) in Rauner re-

sources? Pritzker has not been vetted to the extent that Rauner has experienced for four years.

But Rauner heads into the general election facing a hostile legislature and a riven Republican Party. The current state budget is \$2 billion in the hole, despite a 32 percent income tax increase approved over Rauner's

veto in July. On Rauner's watch, the state pension system's unfunded liabilities remain enormous. Illinois' alarming fiscal condition endures.

Those Rauner signatures on socially liberal bills drew state Rep. Jeanne Ives of Wheaton in to the race; she helped stoke a revolt that came close to upsetting him Tuesday and clearly has damaged his standing. Will Republicans reunite? Not immediately. "There has been complete arrogance by Gov. Rauner with regard to our concerns on spending, taxes and his decision to completely thumb his nose at the Henry Hyde legacy," Ives supporter and state Rep. David McSweeney, R-Barrington Hills, said Tuesday. "I don't know if he even wants conservatives aboard." On Rauner's ability to unite the party for the general election, McSweeney added: "That's his problem."

Still, upcoming issues may aid Rauner. A U.S. Supreme Court ruling in June could overturn an Illinois law that lets unions collect fees from nonmembers in public sector workplaces. If the court strikes down the forced fees as conservatives hope, Rauner will take some credit; he was involved in originating the case. And if an Illinois locale lands Amazon's coveted second headquarters, Rauner can claim credit there too.

Pritzker has proven resilient and likable on the campaign trail. He has stayed in Michael Madigan's good graces by not criticizing the House speaker. But as the Democratic nominee, Pritzker can loosen his handcuffs; Madigan will tolerate jabs from candidates he supports if it helps them win. Whatever it takes.

That's likely the attitude Rauner and Pritzker will display until November. Whatever it takes.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

I don't doubt the good intentions of the new identity politics — to expand the opportunities for people previously excluded. I favor a politics that never discriminates against someone for immutable characteristics — and tries to make sure that as many people as possible feel they have access to our liberal democracy.

But what we have now is far more than the liberal project of integrating minorities. It comes close to an attack on the liberal project itself. Marxism with a patina of liberalism on top is still Marxism — and it's as hostile to the idea of a free society as white nationalism is. So if you wonder why our discourse is now so freighted with fear, why so many choose silence as the path of least resistance, or why the core concepts of a liberal society — the individual's uniqueness, the primacy of reason, the protection of due process, an objective truth — are so besieged, this is one of the reasons.

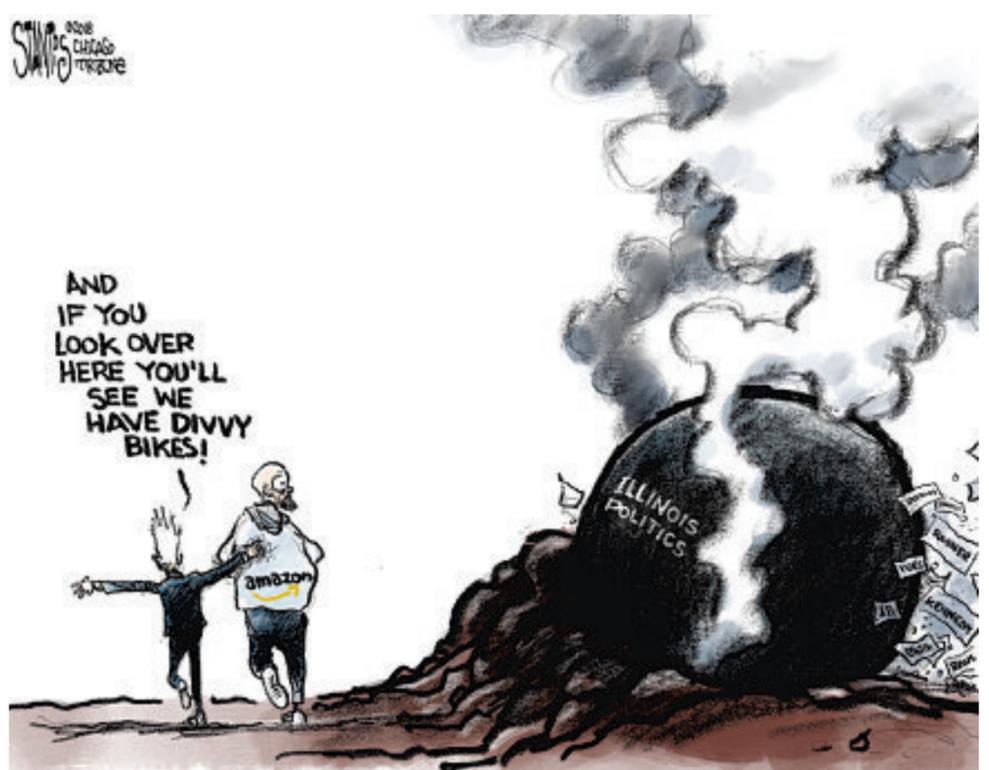
The goal of our culture now is not the emancipation of the individual from the group, but the permanent definition of the individual by the group. We used to call this bigotry. Now we call it being woke. You see: We are all on campus now.

Andrew Sullivan, *New York Magazine*

My father is a dreamer. He dreamed of America, of having his children grow up here, even though it meant trading a decent existence in Peru for a harder path. My mother dreamed, too, mainly of returning, which we did, often enough that, in whatever place I was, I dreamed of the other. It is the lot of the immigrant to straddle borders of all kinds at all times; we gaze back with nostalgia and relief, we look forward with boundlessness and insecurity, we strive to belong even when we get the hint. "It's impossible to be just one thing at a time," writes Univision's Jorge Ramos in his new book, "Stranger," a blend of memoir, analysis and manifesto. "Immigrants understand that they are many things at once. We don't have a solid, immutable identity. Over the span of a single day, I can feel Latino, Mexican, American, foreigner, and newcomer."

Carlos Lozada, *The Washington Post*

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TRUMP 2.0: EVEN MORE OFF THE CHAIN?



CLARENCE PAGE

Why does President Donald Trump lie so much? Because people believe him.

So says Billy Bush, who is on his own rehabilitation mission after losing his sweet NBC "Today" show co-host job after his "Access Hollywood" tape fiasco with Trump in late 2016.

Appearing on HBO's "Real Time With Bill Maher" on Friday, Bush recalled how Trump exaggerated ratings of his "Celebrity Apprentice" shows when they faltered later in the show's run.

"He'd been saying it's No. 1 forever and finally, I'd had enough," Bush recalled to Maher. "I told him, 'Wait a minute, you haven't been No. 1 for like five years — not in any category, not in any demo.' He goes, 'Did you see last Thursday? Last Thursday, (age group) 18-49, the last five minutes.'"

But later, when the cameras were turned off, Bush said, Trump was more candid. "Billy, look," Trump said, "you just tell them and they believe it. That's it. You just tell them and they believe it. They just do."

Right. They just do.

Or as P.T. Barnum is said to have said, "There's a sucker born every minute."

This is the sort of cynical attitude that is seldom expressed openly by politicians.

Bush's story sounds not only credible but highly likely, if you've been following our president's breathtakingly cavalier attitude toward inconvenient facts.

Among other tallies that have kept fact-checkers busy, The Washington Post reports that his average of 4.9 false or misleading statements per day has soared up to an average of six a day.

Yet, just two nights before Bush's interview, the president achieved a new level of arrogance about the topic. He boasted in a private fundraising speech that he had made up information in a



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Billy Bush interviews Donald Trump for "Access Hollywood" at a "Celebrity Apprentice" event at Trump Tower in 2015.

meeting with the leader of our nation's closest ally, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau.

In a dispute over trade between Canada and the United States, according to audio obtained by the Post, Trump confessed to making up information to insist that the U.S. has a trade deficit with Canada, even though, as he confessed in the fundraiser speech, he really didn't know.

Actually it was less of a confession than a boast.

"I said, 'Wrong, Justin! I didn't even know ... I had no idea. I just said, 'You're wrong.'"

When caught in the lie, Trump did what Trump does: repeated the lie, louder, stronger and more stridently.

After the lie was reported, Trump tweeted his insistence that we do have a trade deficit with Canada. Yet, as PolitiFact reports:

"In 2017, the United States had

a \$23.2 billion deficit with Canada in goods. In other words, the United States in 2017 bought more goods from Canada than Canada bought from the United States.

"However, the United States had a \$25.9 billion surplus with Canada in services — and that was enough to overcome that deficit and turn the overall balance of trade into a \$2.8 billion surplus for the United States in 2017. The same pattern occurred in 2016."

What makes this particular Trump lie so breathtaking is his nod-nod-wink-wink candor about the little scam, even at the expense of embarrassing an important ally. Why did he do it? Because he can.

We have become accustomed to audacious, unsupported Trump claims, such as the notion that his inauguration drew record crowds, despite photographic evidence to the contrary.

Yet what makes Trump's trade claim audacious enough to be ominous is its timing. It comes at a moment when the president is reported to be feeling a new level of comfort with his job and more confidence in his instincts than in his own in-house experts.

For example, his legal advisers urged him to avoid provoking or even mentioning the name of special counsel Robert Mueller, who is investigating the Trump campaign's Russia contacts.

But his decision over the weekend to ignore that advice in a Twitter storm, wrote The New York Times' Maggie Haberman, "was the decision of a president who ultimately trusts only his own instincts, and now believes he has settled into the job enough to rely on them rather than the people who advise him."

Welcome to Trump 2.0: Trump off the chain. He thinks he knows the ropes and he's cleaning house,

doing things in his own special way and getting rid of people who want to say something to him besides "yes."

Sure, we should not assume that all of his decisions are going to be wrong. But, considering the recent turbulence in his White House personnel (including the departure of close adviser Hope Hicks, who acknowledged telling "white lies" on her boss's behalf), it brings little comfort to know that he would rather rely on his instincts than more experienced experts.

On the bright side, he offers plenty to keep journalists — and fact-checkers — busy.

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Republicans may come to regret their silence on Trump



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I don't usually dispense relationship advice in this column. But the adage about marriage is often true of politics: What is not said is more destructive than what is said.

For example, over the past 18 months the president has said and done a number of things that warranted dissent from Republicans — not just from party leaders, but from rank-and-file legislators, pundits and other commentators. But the dogs did not bark, opting to stay silent.

We need not take up too much space quibbling over specifics. All one need do is play the "What if Obama said this?" game to see that the moral arc of the GOP has bent toward President Donald Trump.

Then, a few weeks ago, the president proposed sweeping steel and aluminum tariffs and heaped praise on the benefits of trade wars. Suddenly, Congress and much of the conservative commentariat rose up in protest.

Trump's top economic adviser, Gary Cohn, who reportedly almost resigned last summer over the president's morally equivocating response to a neo-Nazi rally, apparently found tariffs a nobler hill to die on.

As a free-trader, I welcome this response. But just imagine you're a run-of-the-mill Democratic congressional candidate looking



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GOP politicians could pay a price for ignoring Trump controversies, including that over Stormy Daniels.

to unseat a Republican who never spoke up about Trump's "s----- countries" remark, the unfolding drama over Stormy Daniels, Trump's endorsement of Roy Moore, his attacks on the First Amendment or his flirtation with cutting off aid to hurricane-ravaged Puerto Rico because of a spat with the mayor of San Juan.

How easy it would be to say: "My opponent never objected to these things, but when Trump tried to save manufacturing jobs, he leapt to his feet to protest at the bidding of the same fat-cat free-traders and globalist big businesses that outsourced so many of your jobs. My opponent is OK with the president endors-

ing and campaigning for an accused child molester, but he will fight to the death to keep cheap Chinese steel from pouring into this country?"

Yes, it's a dumb economic argument — steel tariffs would cost more American manufacturing jobs than they'd save — but it's a great political one.

This is just one illustration of the Republican dilemma. The president divides the right while he unifies the left. Praise Trump on his controversial statements and you risk alienating suburban Republicans, particularly women. Criticize Trump and you risk not only his wrath, but also the wrath of the portion of his base that

demands rhetorical fealty to Trump in all things. Because this constituency has disproportionate influence in conservative media and GOP primaries, the safest course of action is often silence, or some clever dodge like, "I don't respond to tweets."

The GOP has created a kind of collective-action problem for itself. By making these individual decisions out of self-interest in the moment, the party as a whole ends up getting pulled in a direction not of its own choosing.

Voters don't judge parties on their lists of principles, but on their real-world priorities. Not objecting to something sends as clear a signal as objecting does.

It's fun to listen to Republicans vent off the record, but most Americans don't get to hear any of that. They do hear the silence, however.

And so does Trump. Over the weekend, the president floated an obvious trial balloon, tweeting, "The Mueller probe should never have been started," and calling it, in all caps, a "WITCH HUNT!"

It's not shocking that the president would want to fire special counsel Robert Mueller, but he has never attacked him directly before. The usual suspects cheered on Trump, while most of the party was silent.

One of the few exceptions was Sen. Lindsey Graham, who said firing Mueller would be the "beginning of the end of his presidency." House Speaker Paul Ryan offered a lackluster response through a spokesperson: "Mr. Mueller and his team should be able to do their job." Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said ... nothing.

Off the record, Republicans often say they're afraid Trump responds to being told not to do something by doing it out of spite. That's a real concern. But it's not an excuse.

If Trump does fire Mueller and a constitutional crisis ensues, the previously silent, suddenly angry Republicans will be asked why they're speaking up now. That is, if they speak up at all.

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PERSPECTIVE

Pregnancy centers should not be forced to advertise abortions

BY FRANK PAVONE

If you operate a charity that informs women that there are alternatives to abortion, California wants to close its Golden Gate to you. If your nonprofit organization provides women with free over-the-counter pregnancy tests and diapers instead of abortion, don't expect an "aloha" from Hawaii's lawmakers. And if you want to help pregnant women with anything other than the directions to the nearest abortion clinic, Illinois' legislature says Chicago — or Peoria or Springfield — is not your kind of town.

Each of these blue states, along with liberal-leaning municipalities across the country, has passed laws or ordinances that would force anti-abortion pregnancy centers to promote abortion and/or denigrate the help they offer to women. In effect, these governments want to force pregnancy resource centers to speak against their own viewpoints and minimize their own efforts.

Not surprisingly, these efforts have sparked lawsuits. One, *NIFLA v. Becerra*, is before the U.S. Supreme Court right now. It involves California's law that requires anti-abortion pregnancy centers — not doctor's offices, for-profit abortion clinics or any other place women may visit to discuss their pregnancy options — to post signs that tell women how to seek state-subsidized abortions.

The court's decision in *NIFLA* (National Institute of Family and Life Advocates) could have an immediate nationwide impact, and not just because there are thousands of charitable centers that offer alternatives to abortion. It could grant governments the right to regulate the speech of those who hold views not approved by the ruling authorities.

Since a landmark 1943 decision upholding the right of West Virginia students not to salute the



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Anti-abortion activists demonstrate Tuesday in front of the U.S. Supreme Court in Washington.

American flag, the Supreme Court has held that free speech includes not just the right to speak but also the right not to speak. Generally, absent a compelling government interest, the state cannot force you to say what you do not want to say.

There are, of course, exceptions to the rule. Food manufacturers must list the ingredients of their products. Drug companies must include warning labels telling consumers of possible side effects. But these forms of compelled speech exist because

courts usually allow governments greater leeway in regulating communications that are part of commercial activities.

There is, however, nothing commercial about pregnancy resource centers, which are nonprofit organizations that offer free goods and services to their clients. They're akin to legal aid offices, which offer no-cost services and advice.

Generally, if a state tries to coerce private individuals or corporations to speak in a non-commercial setting, courts will

apply a "strict scrutiny test," the highest standard of review for such laws — and one that's difficult to meet.

But, you may ask, what about state laws that force abortion providers to inform women about the possible complications of abortion? Indeed, in such instances, the government mandates that doctors relay certain information to their patients, but context is key. The Supreme Court held in 1992's *Planned Parenthood v. Casey* decision that Pennsylvania's informed-consent

for abortion law was, constitutionally speaking, no different from informed-consent requirements for any other surgery.

So, if pregnancy resource centers are not commercial in nature and they don't perform medical procedures, how can a government compel them to say things they otherwise wouldn't? The answer is, it can't. And until a recent decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit, courts around the country have so ruled.

Baltimore passed an ordinance requiring pregnancy centers to post signs saying that they did not offer or refer for abortions. Earlier this year, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit unanimously ruled that the regulation was unconstitutional in that it was not neutral in its application. As Judge J. Harvie Wilkinson III wrote: "We do not begrudge the city its viewpoint. But neither may the city disfavor only those who disagree." Similar efforts by localities to attack pregnancy resource facilities have also been struck down by courts, but that has not stopped the abortion industry from prevailing upon its political friends in liberal states and localities to continue its attack on the anti-abortion message.

The Supreme Court's upcoming ruling — probably in June — will have a monumental impact on the First Amendment. If the justices side with California, they will be declaring that states can target and regulate the speech of those private citizens who hold opinions not approved by a majority of the legislature and the governor. And if that happens, our Constitution's guarantee of free speech will have been gutted.

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I went to prison for disclosing the CIA's torture. Gina Haspel helped cover it up.

BY JOHN KIRIAKOU
Special to the Washington Post

I was inside the CIA's Langley, Va., headquarters on Sept. 11, 2001. Like all Americans, I was traumatized, and I volunteered to go overseas to help bring al-Qaida's leaders to justice. I headed counterterrorism operations in Pakistan from January to May 2002. My team captured dozens of al-Qaida fighters, including senior training-camp commanders. One of the fighters whom I played an integral role in capturing was Abu Zubaydah, mistakenly thought at the time to be the third-ranking person in the militant group.

By that May, the CIA had decided to torture him. When I returned to CIA headquarters that month, a senior officer in the counterterrorism center asked me if I wanted to be "trained in the use of enhanced interrogation techniques." I had never heard the term, so I asked what it meant. After a brief explanation, I declined. I said that I had a moral and ethical problem with torture and that — the judgment of the Justice Department notwithstanding — I thought it was illegal.

Unfortunately, there were plenty of people in the U.S. government who were all too willing to allow the practice to go on. One of them was Gina Haspel, whom President Donald Trump has nominated as the CIA's next director.

Putting Haspel in charge of the CIA would undo attempts by the agency — and the nation — to repudiate torture. The message this sends to the CIA workforce is simple: Engage in war crimes, in crimes against humanity, and you'll get promoted. Don't worry about the law. Don't worry about ethics. Don't worry about morality or the fact that torture doesn't even work. Go ahead and do it anyway. We'll cover for you. And you can destroy the evidence too.

Described in the media as a "seasoned intelligence veteran," Haspel has been at the CIA for 33 years, both at headquarters and in senior positions overseas. Now the deputy director, she has tried hard to stay out of the public eye. Mike Pompeo, the outgoing CIA director and secretary of state designee, has lauded her "uncanny ability to get things done and inspire those around her."

I'm sure that's true for some. But many of the rest of us who knew and worked with Haspel at the CIA called her "Bloody Gina."

The CIA will not let me repeat her resume or the widely reported specifics of how her work fit into the agency's torture program, calling such details "currently



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CIA Deputy Director Gina Haspel, now President Donald Trump's nominee to run the CIA, played a role in an interrogation program in which Americans allegedly used torture.

and properly classified." But I can say that Haspel was a protégé of and chief of staff for Jose Rodriguez, the CIA's notorious former deputy director for operations and former director of the counterterrorism center. And that Rodriguez eventually assigned Haspel to order the destruction of videotaped evidence of the torture of Zubaydah. The Justice Department investigated, but no one was ever charged in connection with the incident.

CIA officers and psychologists under contract to the agency began torturing Zubaydah on Aug. 1, 2002. The techniques were supposed to be incremental, starting with an open-palmed slap to the belly or the face. But the operatives where he was held decided to start with the toughest method. They waterboarded Zubaydah 83 times. They later subjected him to sleep deprivation; they kept him locked in a large dog cage for weeks at a time; they locked him in a coffin-size box and, knowing that he had an irrational fear of insects, put bugs in it with him.

Rodriguez would later tell reporters that the torture worked and that Zubaydah provided actionable intelligence that disrupted attacks and saved American lives. We know, thanks to the Senate intelligence committee's report on CIA torture and the personal testimony of FBI interrogator Ali Soufan, that this was false.

I knew what was happening to Zubaydah because of my position in CIA operations at the time. I kept my mouth shut about it, even after I left the CIA in 2004. But by 2007, I had had enough.

President George W. Bush had steadfastly denied to the American people that there was a torture program. I knew that was a lie. I knew torture didn't work. And I knew it was illegal. So in December 2007, I granted an interview to ABC News in which I said that the CIA was torturing its prisoners, that torture was official U.S. government policy and that the policy had been personally approved by the president. The FBI began investigating me immediately.

A year later, the Justice Department concluded that I had not committed a crime. But CIA leaders were still furious that I had aired the agency's dirty laundry. The CIA asked the new Obama Justice Department to reopen the case against me. It did, and three years later, I was charged with five felonies, including three counts of espionage, resulting from that ABC News interview and a subsequent interview with *The New York Times*. Of course, I hadn't committed espionage, and the charges were eventually dropped, but only after I agreed to plead to a lesser charge. I served 23 months in prison for my whistleblowing.

It was worth every day. Largely because the CIA's conduct became public, Congress has specifically prohibited waterboarding and other techniques that the agency used at the secret sites. A ban on torture is now the law of the land.

But while I went to prison for disclosing the torture program, Haspel is about to get a promotion despite her connection to it. Trump's move hurts morale among CIA

officers who recognize that torture is wrong. It comforts people at the agency who still believe "enhanced interrogation" is somehow acceptable. I spoke with a senior officer recently who said, "The more things change, the more they stay the same." There's an attitude of defeatism among opponents of torture.

And the message it sends to our friends and allies (and the countries we criticize in the State Department's annual human rights reports) is this: We say we're a shining city on a hill, a beacon of respect for human rights, civil rights, civil liberties and the rule of law. But actually, that's nonsense. We say those things when it's expedient. We say them to make ourselves feel good. But when push comes to shove, we do what we want, international law be damned.

The meaning of Haspel's nomination won't be lost on our enemies either. The torture program and similar abuses at military-run prisons in Iraq were among the greatest recruitment tools that al-Qaida, the Islamic State and other bad actors ever had, according to legal experts, U.S. lawmakers and even the militants themselves. It energized them and gave them something to rally against. It sowed an even deeper hatred of the United States among militant groups. It swelled their ranks. It was no coincidence that the Islamic State paraded its prisoners in front of cameras wearing orange jumpsuits (like those worn by Guantanamo Bay detainees) before beheading them. Haspel and the others at the CIA who engineered and oversaw the torture program are at least partially responsible for that, because they showed the world how the United States sometimes treats captives.

Do we Americans want to remain a nation that tortures people, like North Korea, China and Iran? Are we proud of the era when we snatched people from one country and sent them to another to be interrogated in secret prisons? Do we want to be the country that cynically preaches human rights and then violates those same rights when we think nobody is looking?

Our country cannot afford that. We cannot look the other way. We cannot reward the torturers. Gina Haspel has no business running the CIA.

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PERSPECTIVE



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A 2017 Pew Research poll found that 56 percent of U.S. respondents would not ride in a driverless car if offered the chance.

Voters should be asked if they want more driverless cars

BY LEONID BERSHIDSKY

There's ugly symbolism in the deadly accident that took place in Tempe, Ariz., late Sunday. A self-driving Volvo operated by Uber, the world's second-most valuable startup, ran over Elaine Herzberg, 49, as the apparently homeless woman pushed a bicycle loaded with plastic bags into the street. Rich company kills poor person; robot kills human.

Even though Tempe police are not inclined at this point to blame the Uber vehicle — Herzberg apparently stepped into the road suddenly from the shadows — optics like these are likely to set back the autonomous vehicle industry. And that's not a bad thing, regardless of whose fault it was in Tempe.

This is still a world populated and run by humans, and we humans should be given more time to decide whether we want machines to take over our roads. The issue is ethical as much as technological. Tesla founder Elon Musk has been the best at articulating the pitch autonomous car developers have made to regulators. "If, in writing some article that's negative, you effectively dissuade people from using an autonomous vehicle, you're killing people," he told reporters in 2016.

Driver error

Developers like to point out that according to the U.S. Department of Transportation, 94 percent of vehicle crashes are caused by driver error, and of these, 41 percent occur due to "recognition error," meaning the driver's failure to notice something was about to go wrong. Remove these errors, and hundreds of thousands of lives will be saved.

Then there are "decision errors" — driving too fast, illegal maneuvers — accounting for 33 percent of the crashes; bad driving technique and falling asleep at the wheel follow, with 11 percent and 7 percent of driver-caused crashes. If one assumes that autonomous vehicles are in perfect control of the environment, programmed to obey rules and able to drive better than the average human, millions of lives can be saved every year. And, of course, robots never fall asleep.

So far, crash statistics show that autonomous vehicles get into fewer crashes than those driven by humans. But these statistics are skewed, probably both ways. On the one hand, humans don't report all accidents to the police, while every self-driving vehicle accident is scrupulously recorded. On the other, the autonomous cars are new vehicles in perfect technical condition, and they are mostly driven in U.S. cities with a warm climate and streets

laid out on a perfect grid, such as Tempe.

The assumption of greater safety still requires a leap of faith, especially when it comes to fatalities. The 2016 rate is 1.18 road deaths per 100 million miles driven. The biggest driverless car testing programs, run by Alphabet's Waymo and by Uber, have covered a total of about 8 million miles — and there's already a fatality.

Since Google blamed humans for pretty much all accidents involving its self-driving cars in 2015, there has been a lot of discussion about apportioning blame for the accidents. If Herzberg's death is deemed to have been her own fault, driverless cars may be allowed to go on as before. Blame attribution is never quite binary, though.

Human drivers will sometimes hit autonomous cars because they don't drive like humans and other drivers fail to recognize the logic of their behavior; technically, it's the humans' mistake — but on a deeper level, also that of the driverless car designers, which is why they try to make their products emulate human behavior better.

That, however, is not the whole story. Take what local police have said about the Tempe case. Uber's Volvo was apparently doing 38 in a 35 mph zone when it was so dark that a person stepping into the road from the shadows was a complete surprise. The safety driver at the wheel of the vehicle — who wasn't driving at the time of the crash — said she wouldn't have been able to avoid hitting Herzberg either. But then, she's only human.

Shouldn't a robot programmed for total safety, to save lives above all, have gone much slower than the permitted speed if darkness prevented it from remaining in full control of its environment? And, even if the accident was Herzberg's fault, would going as fast as the car did qualify as a "decision error"? In general, is there a way to program a machine to take into account the whole complexity of any real-life situation and react to it better than a human does?

Ethics vs. technology

That's a matter of ethics as much as technology. In a recent paper, Dieter Birnbacher of the University of Duesseldorf in Germany and Wolfgang Birnbacher of IBEO Automotive Systems in Hamburg listed some of the questions to ask: "Programming a certain risk behavior into a machine not only has consequences in critical situations but also defines the driving style generally. How safe is safe enough? How safe is too safe? Excessive safety would paralyze road traffic and

seriously hamper acceptance of autonomous vehicles. Giving leeway to risky driving styles would jeopardize the safety objectives. How egalitarian does an automatized driving system have to be? Is a manufacturer allowed to advertise with fast cars at the price of lowered safety for other road users?"

That last question has direct relevance to Uber. As a taxi company, it has an interest in maximizing the number of rides and thus having its vehicles drive as fast as possible. Even given the need to abide by speed limits, is that conducive to reducing the speed when it's dark or when weather impairs visibility and increases reaction times?

Driverless vehicle developers stress in lengthy, glossy reports that they're 100 percent focused on safety. Somehow, though, U.S. consumers aren't convinced. According to a 2017 Pew Research poll, 56 percent of them wouldn't ride in a driverless car if offered the chance; most of them just wouldn't trust it enough. Nine percent of those asked said they enjoy driving and they don't want their emotional relationship with cars ruined.

Elsewhere in the Pew study, an overwhelming majority of Americans said automation in general will lead to more inequality. That's why an accident involving Uber and an apparently homeless woman may be a bigger setback for the driverless car industry than it realizes.

Of course, that reluctance could change. According to the American Automobile Association, millennials are especially susceptible to the appeal of driverless, with "only" 49 percent of them reporting they'd be afraid to ride in an autonomous vehicle. But even among the young people, there's no strong majority demand to put more driverless cars on the road. There's an obvious chicken-and-egg problem, of course — the more such vehicles there are, the less afraid the public will be, provided they don't get in too many accidents.

The right way to go about it would be to ask voters in every city that considers allowing autonomous car tests whether they want to allow them, and if so, in which functions: as taxis, as delivery vehicles, as special transport for the elderly and the handicapped. I suspect the latter options will get more understanding and more support. That would be a place to start convincing the general public that autonomous cars can be good. So far, the jury is deservedly still out.

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Maybe we should be high-fiving Facebook

BY KAREN TUMULTY

Facebook and the voter-profiling company Cambridge Analytica are getting richly deserved condemnation in the growing scandal over revelations that the social network allowed millions of users' personal information to be shared with a consultant for Donald Trump's presidential campaign. But perhaps we should also thank them for shining a spotlight on something that is eating at our political system.

It is far from clear whether Cambridge Analytica delivered any real results for Trump or whether it merely hyped what it could achieve with all this information. My hunch is the latter. But in some respects, this scheme represents the crowning touch for what has become a fetishization of data in politics — the idea that if you can just identify the right niches, and microtarget those people with a diet rich in what they already think, you win.

Yes, we are all products of our demographics to some degree. But to assume that is all anyone needs to know — or ask — shortchanges voters and diminishes candidates.

It also accelerates the polarization that is making our country all but ungovernable. Voters are sought based on what they watch, and what they click, and whether they get their caffeine from Dunkin' Donuts or Starbucks. Push the right button and deliver to them the correct message — whether it is true or false, rational or unhinged — and they are yours.

From there, it would follow that the character of the candidate, much less the quality of his or her ideas, is practically irrelevant. There is little room for creativity, no incentive to reach out or elevate. All that matters is deciding what slices of the electorate constitute your base and mobilizing them in larger numbers and with greater sophistication than your opponent's data operation does.

Ironically, given what we are learning about the Trump campaign's efforts in this regard, it was Hillary Clinton who fell deeper into this trap during the 2016 election. She got an A in science and a D in art. Her campaign was the best we've seen when it comes to modern, data-driven tactics. It delivered a majority of the electorate, but it did not connect everywhere it needed to.

Clinton blames the voters, as she made clear at a recent conference in India. Trump's "whole campaign, 'Make America Great Again,' was looking backward," she said. "You know, you didn't like black people getting rights, you don't like women getting jobs, you don't want to see that Indian-American succeeding more than you are, whatever your problem is, I'm going to solve it."

Clinton misses the fact that enough of those same people voted for Barack Obama to make him president twice. It also overlooks the fact that Trump's slogan was not the product of a political technocrat's algorithm but a gut instinct he had long before anyone took him seriously as a possible president. He filed for a trademark on the phrase six days after the 2012 election and stuck with it all the way through. Clinton's campaign, on the other hand, was at one point considering 84 different slogans, none of which stuck.

What's lost when data start driving politics is not only privacy — including that of 50 million Facebook users — but also an opportunity to make our politics more than the sum of its factions.

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A model community

It's a bit misleading for Tribune columnist Mary Wisniewski to suggest that Woodlawn (east of Cottage Grove) might've been better off without tearing down the eastern leg of the Green Line "L" now that the Obama Presidential Center is coming. To do so denies some very obvious facts, first of which is that some of the housing and related development promoted by Bishop Arthur Brazier and others years ago now makes the area a more appealing site for the Obama Presidential Center.

In recent years, The Affordable and attractive middle-class housing that Brazier brought to the neighborhood has not only stabilized that part of Woodlawn, it has also served as an anchor that helped attract development from the Preservation of Affordable Housing, as well as other institutions such as schools, nonprofit organizations, and some small businesses. More notably, the kind of local community development spurred by Brazier and others has long been

recognized as a model of community-based empowerment and economic development nationwide.

Yes, had anyone known that local, national and even global interest in the community would come with the later election of Chicago's own President Barack Obama, many might have advocated a different course. Yet, the reality is that given much of what has occurred throughout the South Side, not just in Woodlawn, the area more likely would've become even more abandoned, neglected and written off as crime-ridden and "undesirable."

A critical point not to be lost or forgotten is that for 20-plus years, the loss of the "L" line extension created space to build desirable homes for many people who have sustained the area and who weren't interested in simply writing the community off.

— Muriel Jackson, Chicago

Keep it classy

Kudos to David Haugh on his Tuesday column reporting on the Knoxville, Tenn., sports talk show host who tweeted an

obscene insult regarding Sister Jean Dolores Schmidt, Loyola University Chicago's chaplain and head cheerleader. She's become an instant media star as the Loyola Ramblers surged into the spotlight with a pair of nail-biter victories over highly favored opponents.

The wannabe shock jock's offensive comment was wrong on many counts. But really, why would you say something that nasty about a sweet senior citizen, a 98-year-old Catholic nun who has become the darling of Loyola's basketball team? The boneheaded radio host thought it was hilarious to use the F-word in the same sentence with Sister Jean.

When confronted by columnist Haugh, the broadcaster said it was all in good fun. A joke. But if it was a joke, how come nobody's laughing? I can understand how the Tennessee basketball fans might get a bit tired of Sister Jean's recent celebrity, being on the losing end, but look at it this way: It's been a long dry spell for Loyola's basketball team. The last time they made it to the Sweet 16 bracket was 1985. So, the Chicago fans and the local Catholic community alike are ecstatic that they've made it this far.

As for the radio host, he claims to be repentant and "would" apologize, but I wonder if he will. I also wonder if Sister

Jean would take his call. Maybe, as sweet and forgiving as she is, she'd say a prayer for him. Something to the effect of, "Dear God, please don't let that WKGN-AM broadcaster, Cody McClure, step out in front of a bus."

But in the meantime, he's probably loving the spotlight, albeit at a very low wattage. He also said he heard from his boss and all is forgiven.

The truth is, he ought to be fired. Now that would be funny.

— Michael Oakes, Chicago

Defenseless

I don't know what would happen if we placed just one or two more carefully trained, screened and armed, security people in schools, be they teachers or others. I can't predict the future.

But I do know what will happen if we continue to leave our children completely defenseless in the face of psychotic armed attackers. I've seen the results on the news, over and over.

My heart worries every day for my wife, who is a teacher, and her students — and all students and teachers for that matter — as we continue to insist that they have to roll the dice and hope they are never attacked.

— Douglas Peterson, Naperville



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United suspends new bookings for pets

Airline will review PetSafe program, but cabin travel still allowed

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH
Chicago Tribune

United Airlines is suspending new reservations for pets traveling in the cargo compartment after three dogs were loaded onto the wrong planes last week and a fourth died in an overhead bin.

United will honor reservations that have already been confirmed for PetSafe, its program for pets traveling in cargo, the airline said Tuesday. The suspension does not affect pets traveling with their owners in the cabin.

"We are conducting a thorough

and systematic review of our program for pets that travel in the cargo compartment to make improvements that will ensure the best possible experience for our customers and their pets," United spokeswoman Maggie Schmerin said in an emailed statement.

The airline said it would complete the review by May 1.

Chicago-based United diverted a plane to Akron, Ohio, on Thursday after discovering it had mistakenly loaded a dog aboard the flight from Newark, N.J., to St. Louis. Two days earlier, the airline sent a Kansas City, Mo.-bound German shepherd to Japan after switching it with a Great Dane.

All three pets have since been reunited with their owners, and all 33 people aboard the diverted

flight were compensated, Schmerin said. The airline declined to estimate the cost of the compensation or the chartered flight that brought the dog home from Japan.

Those mistakes followed the death of a French bulldog that appeared to have suffocated after a flight attendant placed it in an overhead compartment on a three-hour flight from Houston to New York City earlier in the week.

Amid the public outcry, two U.S. senators from Louisiana and Nevada introduced a bill that would ban stowing animals in overhead bins, and a New York state senator said she plans to introduce similar legislation that would also require

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CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

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Maren Rosenberg owns Escape Artistry in Wicker Park and said she plans to participate in patrolling neighborhood streets.

Having a stake in neighborhood watch

Wicker Park, Bucktown businesses to use employees to patrol streets

BY CORILYN SHROPSHIRE
AND JONATHAN BERLIN
Chicago Tribune

Businesses in the Wicker Park and Bucktown neighborhoods are forgoing the idea of hiring private security officers and instead will rely on their own employees to act as unarmed "ambassadors" patrolling neighborhood streets.

The program, to be adminis-

tered by the Wicker Park Bucktown Chamber of Commerce, comes despite a gradual decline in neighborhood crime. It also follows a decision by the Chicago Loop Alliance to hire armed security guards for part of downtown Chicago.

In 2016, the Wicker Park and Bucktown business district secured \$50,000 from a special tax fund levied on business owners, for safety initiatives that could

include private security patrols, security cameras and other efforts to keep the business district clean, attract visitors, and promote safety.

Many businesses, however, didn't apply for the funds to use private security, so the chamber "wanted to find something that resonated with our business owners," said Pamela Maass, the chamber's executive director. Surveying the neighborhood businesses, the chamber decided that involving them in keeping the area safe and clean would be a task best left to the stakeholders, Maass said.

Beginning Thursday, businesses can apply for the program, which involves annual rebates of up to \$3,315 for businesses that pay their employees to patrol the special service area that includes the Wicker Park and Bucktown business corridors along Ashland, Damen, North, Milwaukee and Western avenues and Division Street. Employees of participating businesses will walk the neighborhood to engage pedestrians, provide directions, identify locations that need to be cleaned up or improved and call

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Chicago's Tempus gets \$80M in funding

Technology company helping personalize cancer care using data

BY SAMANTHA BOMKAMP
Chicago Tribune

Tempus, a Chicago-based technology company that uses data to help personalize cancer care and improve its efficiency, said Tuesday it has received \$80 million in funding from a group of new and existing investors.

The company, led by Groupon co-founder Eric Lefkofsky, has received \$210 million in investment since it was founded in 2015. The latest fundraising round puts Tempus' value at approximately \$1.1 billion, according to a source close to the deal. A valuation of more than \$1 billion gives the company "unicorn" status, a label few Chicago startups can claim.

Tempus has about 400 employees, but it's adding employees at an extremely fast rate: about 30 per month, Lefkofsky said. That pace is expected to continue, he said, while the company also uses funding to expand its reach.

The company is using clinical data to both discover trends in the treatment of cancer overall and also collect molecular data from patients undergoing treatment. And in some cases, he said, the data collection can be as simple as digitizing a doctor's handwritten patient notes so they are searchable and can be stored to expand on treatment options.

Lefkofsky said the company has relationships with individuals and organizations in all facets of the health care system, including doctors, drug companies and pharmacists, who are searching for a way to use big data to treat patients more effectively.

"I think the traction we have had with everybody in the industry has been kind of amazing," he said. "We're in the midst of one of the most significant paradigm shifts of our time."

Contributors to the \$80 million funding round included New Enterprise Associates and Revolution Growth, along with new investors Kinship Trust Co. and funds advised by T. Rowe Price Associates.

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University of Chicago's Booth School of Business has tied with Harvard for first place in U.S. News & World Report's ranking of full-time master's degree programs. Booth also finished second in part-time programs.

U. of C.'s Booth school tops list of best MBA programs for first time

BY SAMANTHA BOMKAMP
Chicago Tribune

The University of Chicago's Booth School of Business has tied for first place in U.S. News & World Report's annual ranking of the country's best full-time master's degree programs in business administration.

It's the first time Booth has topped the list, U.S. News said.

The Booth School, which named a new dean last year, tied with Harvard for the top spot.

Booth ascended to first place after placing third in last year's ranking. Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management, which last year landed in a three-way tie for fourth place, fell to sixth place in the current rankings.

Both Kellogg and Booth ranked in the top 3 among part-time MBA programs, though. The University of California at Berkeley's Haas School of Business took the top spot in that category, with U. of C.'s Booth at No. 2 and Northwestern's Kellogg at No. 3.

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign College of Business tied for 48th place in the ranking of full-time MBA programs.

U.S. News says it bases its graduate school rankings on both survey results — it sends more than 20,000 surveys to academics and professionals — and data that measure the quality of a school's faculty, research and students.

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Zales-Kay owner to close stores in online push



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Signet Jewelers is closing hundreds of stores to cut competition among its brands.

BY NICK TURNER AND KIM BHASIN
Bloomberg News

Signet Jewelers Ltd., whose stores are mainstays of U.S. shopping malls, is betting that a shift online can help pull the company out of a sales slump.

After posting another quarter of disappointing results — sending the shares on their worst rout in four months — CEO Gina Drosos embarked on a three-year comeback plan that includes a big e-commerce push.

The idea is to both grow and shrink the company: She is shuttering hundreds of poor-performing locations and slashing distribu-

tion spending, while simultaneously aiming to become the No. 1 jeweler both online and in brick-and-mortar stores.

The company has been “too slow to capture our fair share of the online channel,” Drosos said on a conference call.

Drosos, who took the CEO job last year, has a tough road ahead of her. Comparable sales tumbled 5.2 percent last quarter, a worse performance than Wall Street expected.

Foot traffic has declined at many malls, and Signet is often competing with itself.

Its three major chains — Kay, Zales and Jared — have locations near one another in many of the same malls.

An effort to outsource its credit division — the business that helps customers finance their diamond rings and bracelets — also has hurt results. Shoppers looking for wedding jewelry at Kay curbed their spending last quarter because of troubles getting credit, the company said this week.

A key part of the turnaround plan, called “Path to Brilliance,” is investing in e-commerce operations. The goal is to have digital sales represent 15 percent of its business by fiscal 2021, up from 8 percent now.

Investors remain skeptical. The stock closed at \$38.68 Friday, bringing the shares to their lowest point since 2011.

Rebate available for those involved

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311. If they observe emergencies or crimes, they will call 911. They’ll be paid for the time, which will be outside their regular working hours.

“It’s important for us to take the time to physically walk through the street,” said Maren Rosenberg, owner of Escape Artistry, which has two locations in the neighborhood and plans to participate in the program. “While safety is a concern, it’s so much more than that,” she said. “It’s welcoming people to the neighborhood, giving directions ... doing things preventatively, rather than waiting until a crisis occurs to call in (help).”

Business owners and chamber officials say safety in the neighborhood has improved, and the numbers show that.

Of all the crimes tracked by the city, from homicide to liquor law violations, crime in the Wicker Park-Bucktown area declined every year since 2009, with the exception of 2016. In 2017, overall crime incidents in the area were down 2.8 percent, accord-

ing to an analysis of city of Chicago data.

Maass said the more frequent crime problems in the neighborhood range more toward smashed windows and graffiti.

While robberies and burglaries were up in 2017 from a year earlier, most types of crime saw a decline, including homicides and shootings. Maass said that’s partly why “no one jumped” when the aldermen approved funds for private security firms last year. Yet several businesses already have expressed interest in applying to participate in the rebate program, Maass said.

Robert Gomez, owner of longtime Wicker Park entertainment venue Subterranean and a board member at the chamber, said he plans to apply for the rebate to send employees patrolling the streets.

The chamber looked at police reports in the area and found that peak crime occurred during the hours of 3 to 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. to midnight, and routes and staffing will reflect those trends, Gomez said. People on patrol will wear vests so they are easily identified,

according to Gomez, reminding people that there is someone “official” in the area if they need it.

The neighborhood’s approach is a different one than taken earlier this year by the Chicago Loop Alliance, which manages an area around State Street downtown.

Crime in the Loop has been up for the last three years with the overall number of incidents rising 17.3 percent in 2017. Robberies and thefts were up, as were some violent crimes like assault and battery, which includes some shootings. Burglaries and reported incidents involving narcotics were down.

The Loop alliance recently spent \$50,000 from its special service area to hire two uniformed, armed security guards to patrol the area in an effort to curb shoplifting and panhandling. It also employs a “street team” to assist tourists, clean the streets and provide social service information for the homeless.

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Stocks mostly rise; Facebook falls again

BY MARLEY JAY
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NEW YORK — Stock indexes finished mostly higher after a day of bouncing around Tuesday as retailers, energy companies and banks recovered some of their losses from the day before, but technology companies struggled as Facebook dropped again.

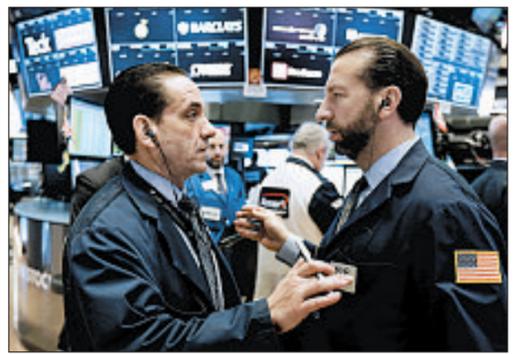
Amazon led a rally among retailers, and it passed Alphabet, Google’s parent, as the second most-valuable U.S.-listed company, while energy companies rose with oil prices.

Banks rose along with interest rates as the leaders of the Federal Reserve met. They are expected to raise interest rates Wednesday.

Facebook sank following reports that the Federal Trade Commission will investigate its handling of user data while authorities in the U.S. and U.K. demanded answers from the company.

That came after reports that Cambridge Analytica, a data mining firm working for President Donald Trump’s campaign, improperly obtained data on 50 million Facebook users without their permission.

While Facebook stock regained a portion of its losses at the end of the day, it has fallen more than 9 percent this week.



RICHARD DREW/AP

Traders Tommy Kalikas, left, and Greg Mulligan confer on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on Tuesday.

Social media companies Twitter and Snap also fell as investors considered the possibility that the government will pass new laws affecting their businesses.

“We don’t know what’s in store for an industry that isn’t really regulated,” said Samantha Azzarello, global market strategist at JPMorgan Exchange Traded Funds.

The gainers Tuesday were mostly larger companies, which suffered the biggest losses Monday. Smaller companies struggled and more stocks fell than rose on the New York Stock Exchange.

After a drop of 1.4 percent Monday, the S&P 500 index rose 4.02 points, or 0.1 percent, to 2,716.94. The

Dow Jones industrial average gained 116.36 points, or 0.5 percent, to 24,727.27.

Amazon jumped \$41.58, or 2.7 percent, to \$1,586.51 and Best Buy picked up \$1.51, or 2.2 percent, to \$70.04. Industrial companies including Caterpillar recovered much of their losses as well. Some major technology companies including Apple, Microsoft and Nvidia moved higher after significant drops a day ago.

Facebook lost \$4.41, or 2.6 percent, to \$168.15. The drop in the last two days is the worst for Facebook in two years, and it knocked Facebook from its perch as the fifth most valuable publicly traded company in the U.S.

Three dogs loaded on wrong flight

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climate control and ventilation for animals not traveling with their owners.

United already prohibits placing pets in overhead bins, but the airline said the flight attendant “did not hear or understand” the dog’s owner when she said there was a dog in the carrier. The airline said it took full responsibility for the bulldog’s death.

The bulldog was traveling in the cabin, not with the PetSafe program the airline is suspending, but United said it is also reviewing its service for in-cabin pets. The airline has already said it plans to issue brightly colored bag tags to better identify pets in carriers in the cabin starting in April.

United carried about 42 percent more animals in the cargo hold in 2017 than in 2015, and it accounted for about 27 percent of all animals U.S. airlines transported last year, according to the U.S. Department of Transportation.

It also reported an above-average number of animals that were injured, died or lost while in its custody. In 2017, 1.3 out of every 10,000 animals the carrier transported in cargo holds died, according to the Transportation Department, compared with 0.47 out of every 10,000 across all airlines that reported data.

As United has ramped up pet travel, American Airlines and Delta Air Lines have been cutting back. The number of animals the carriers flew declined 63 percent and 41 percent, respectively, between 2015 and 2017.

Delta said it introduced restrictions on pet travel during that period, includ-

ing temperature limits and bans on snub-nosed breeds at a higher risk of health issues during air travel. American also restricts pet travel during extreme temperatures or for snub-nosed breeds and said it is not making changes to pet policies at this time.

United did not identify specific aspects of the PetSafe program it’s targeting for review but said it plans to work with independent experts in pet safety, comfort and travel.

The airline also said it will work with customers who want to cancel existing PetSafe reservations.

Susan Smith, the owner of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.-based Pet Travel, said she hopes United considers any options that would minimize risks to pets, but she also worries about the airline erring too far on the side of caution. Passengers with pets too big to travel in the cabin — especially those moving long distances, not just vacationing — don’t always have many options, particularly in summer, when some airlines are more restrictive, she said.

United uses climate-controlled vehicles to move pets from the airport to the plane and minimize exposure to hot or cold temperatures.

“We understand they need to review their program, but it would make it far more difficult if they decide not to continue,” she said.

Derek Huntington, president of the International Pet and Animal Transportation Association, said he’s worried about the impact of United’s decision to halt new bookings. The association represents companies that ship pets

and other animals.

“What’s going to happen to those families that need to get from point A to point B when United might be the only option based on their location or the temperature restrictions airlines can impose?” Huntington said. “We don’t want this to be a permanent thing.”

While flying with a pet can be a challenge, there are steps owners can take to protect their pet’s health, including consulting a veterinarian before making travel arrangements, said Tracey Maione, president of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association.

Sedating pets traveling in the cargo hold can be risky, but there are other medications, supplements and collars that can ease anxiety issues. Pets that get anxious in the car or during long trips could even be better off flying, said Maione, who is also the medical director of Oz Animal Hospital in Chicago’s Lincoln Park neighborhood.

She advised giving the pet time to get used to a carrier big enough to stand up and turn around in and timing flights during the coolest part of the day in summer and warmest part of the day in winter. Travelers should also mark pet carriers with a sticker indicating an animal is inside if the pet is traveling in cargo and let airline employees know about their pet if bringing it in the cabin.

“(Flying with pets) has been done for a long time, and it’s definitely doable, but there are certain safety steps and discussions that need to be handled first,” Maione said.

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Benjamin Lin looks over a 60-year-old cheetah jacket he is restoring at the B.B. Hawk showroom in San Francisco.

San Francisco could impose ban on fur sales

Would be largest U.S. city to take stand

BY JANIE HAR
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — San Francisco could become the largest U.S. city to ban the sale of fur, a move that would hearten animal lovers but frustrate niche business owners who say they are fed up with city officials dictating what retailers can or can't sell.

If the Board of Supervisors approves the ban Tuesday, San Francisco would join two other California cities, West Hollywood and Berkeley, in saying no to a symbol of glamour that animal advocates say is built on cruelty and does not reflect the city's values.

San Francisco has a strong social conscience, often at a cost to businesses. Its board banned the sale of menthol cigarettes and other flavored tobacco, which voters will consider in June, and prohibited performances by exotic animals. In 2016, San Francisco approved what was then a groundbreaking paid parental leave law, requiring

private employers to offer six weeks of fully paid leave.

If passed, the fur ban would go into effect Jan. 1 and apply to coats and anything else featuring real fur, including key chains and gloves.

"I hope that it inspires other cities and the country to take action. Certainly we need better federal regulations on fur farming," said Katy Tang, the supervisor pushing the legislation and avid animal lover. "There's no humane way to raise an animal to peel its skin off."

Some of the tourists who pack downtown San Francisco hotels shop at upscale department stores that crowd Union Square, such as Neiman Marcus and Saks Fifth Avenue, both of which feature fur salons. Larger stores may have an easier time adapting, but smaller businesses might find it more challenging.

Benjamin Lin, 72, owns one of those small businesses. The showroom at B.B. Hawk in the South of Market neighborhood features chinchilla, sable, fox,

and Blackglama mink. In a corner, Lin is working on restoring a 60-year-old jacket made of cheetah.

He is considering keeping his current location but selling fur at a smaller place nearby, outside San Francisco.

"I cannot fight it," he said of the ban. "I will not win. I do not have the energy and the money."

Skip Pas, chief executive officer of West Coast Leather, said fur items make up only a small portion of his inventory so he won't be affected much.

But he's appalled that 11 people on a board can arbitrarily tell retailers what they can sell, without a vote by the public, and at a time when the city has more pressing issues, such as dirty streets and homelessness.

"It's the people of San Francisco who should say, 'Yes, it's too much,'" he said. "What's next? They're going to say that you can't have beef and you can't have pork and duck in Chinatown. I mean, it's a little too much."

About 50 clothing and accessory retailers in the

downtown and South of Market shopping corridor will be affected by the legislation, said Jim Lazarus, senior vice president of public policy at the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce.

The chamber estimates San Francisco fur sales account for at least \$40 million a year. The city's Office of Economic Analysis estimated fur sales at \$11 million in 2012, based on census figures.

The city says that even if sales numbers are much higher than its estimate, a prohibition is unlikely to significantly harm the overall local economy.

The proposal would allow the resale of vintage and used fur, but only by outlets not usually in the business of trading fur, such as secondhand stores, pawn shops and nonprofits. Items with fur taken from animals trapped under a state license can be sold.

Tang, the supervisor, said she feels bad for furriers like Lin.

"But I think it is wrong to profit off the backs of animals," she said.

Amazon said to consider buying Toys R Us stores

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Bloomberg News

Amazon has looked at the possibility of expanding its retail footprint by acquiring some locations from bankrupt Toys R Us, according to people with knowledge of the situation.

The online giant isn't interested in maintaining the Toys R Us brand, but has considered using the soon-to-be-vacant spaces for its own purposes, said the people, who asked not to be identified because the talks are private.

Such a move would let Amazon quickly expand its bricks-and-mortar presence, coming on the heels of buying Whole Foods Market and its more than 450 locations last year. The Seattle-based company also has opened its own line of bookstores, including one in Chicago, and a convenience store concept.

Representatives for Amazon and Toys R Us declined to comment.

Additional stores would give Amazon space to showcase its popular Echo line of devices, which run on the Alexa voice-activated platform. Amazon sees voice as the next interface for people to access technology — supplanting computer mice and touch screens — and the benefits may be easier to demonstrate in a real-world setting.

A bigger network of stores would put inventory closer to where shoppers live, potentially enabling quick delivery to e-commerce customers. The space could also serve as a

staging ground for grocery delivery from Whole Foods stores. Amazon is already planning to roll out free two-hour service to Whole Foods customers in four cities, including Dallas and Cincinnati.

Still, the company is under little pressure to hammer out a deal and deliberations may lead nowhere. In 2015, Amazon held discussions about acquiring some RadioShack locations around the time of the electronics retailer's bankruptcy filing, people familiar with the matter said. Nothing came of those talks.

Toys R Us, meanwhile, may live on in some form. The company, which filed for bankruptcy in September, announced plans to shut down its U.S. operations last week. But its Canadian unit is up for sale, along with its operations around the world. The division in the U.K. is currently being wound down.

Toys R Us has been holding out hope that an entity will buy the Canadian unit, which was in better shape financially than the U.S. business. A buyer could potentially still operate some U.S. stores from a Canadian base. The company has begun liquidating its more than 700 U.S. locations, but is holding off at its 200 best stores for the next few weeks.

An investment group led by Isaac Larian, the founder of toymaker MGA Entertainment, has submitted a bid to acquire the Canadian business. Larian has said that his group is also doing due diligence on the U.S. stores, and hopes to keep some of them open.

McDonald's plans to cut greenhouse gas emissions

BY JOSEPH PISANI
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The company behind the golden arches wants to get greener.

McDonald's said Tuesday it's taking steps to cut the greenhouse gases it emits, including tweaking the way the beef in its Big Macs and Quarter Pounders is produced.

The world's largest burger chain said it expects the changes to prevent 150 million metric tons (165 million tons) of greenhouse gas emissions from being released into the atmosphere by 2030, equal to taking 32 million cars off the road for a year.

Several food and beverage companies have announced changes recently to appeal to customers concerned about the environment. Dunkin' Donuts has said it will stop using foam coffee cups by 2020. And soda maker Coca-Cola announced plans to recycle a bottle or can for every beverage it sells by 2030.

"We're taking action we care about and customers really appreciate," said McDonald's Corp. CEO Steve Easterbrook.

The company said three areas — beef production, energy use at its restaurants and packaging — account for more than 60 percent of its emissions, and it will make changes there first.

To reduce emissions at cattle farms, suppliers are testing a new way to feed cattle: moving animals from pen to pen, so the soil the cows stand on as they eat grass has a chance to recover. Healthier soil can better absorb carbon, the company said, meaning less of it will end up in the air.

At its 40,000 restaurants around the world, McDonald's said it is working with franchisees to replace light bulbs and kitchen appliances with more energy-efficient ones. It is also in the process of using more environmentally friendly materials for its soda cups, Happy Meal boxes and burger wrappers, a shift it announced last month.

Because of the company's size, changes made by McDonald's could have a ripple effect across the industry, said Sheila Bonini, a senior vice president at the World Wildlife Fund, which worked with McDonald's to make its changes. McDonald's beef suppliers, for example, likely sell beef to other restaurant chains.

Altogether, McDonald's expects to cut its greenhouse gas emissions by nearly 40 percent by 2030 from 2015 levels.

Apple flagship price tag: \$170M or more

BY RYAN ORI
Chicago Tribune

Apple's new Michigan Avenue flagship store is going up for sale and could fetch at least \$170 million.

Chicago-based Walton Street Capital has hired brokers to put the 20,000-square-foot store on the market for sale, and is expecting offers in the range of \$170 million to \$175 million, according to people familiar with the plan.

The potential sale comes just a few months after Apple CEO Tim Cook attended the Oct. 20 opening of the glassy store along the Chicago River. The store opened about two weeks after Walton Street Capital, a private equity firm led by billionaire Neil Bluhm, bought the property as part of a \$360 million deal that also included the adjacent 35-story office building at 401 N. Michigan Ave. The

seller was Zeller Realty Group.

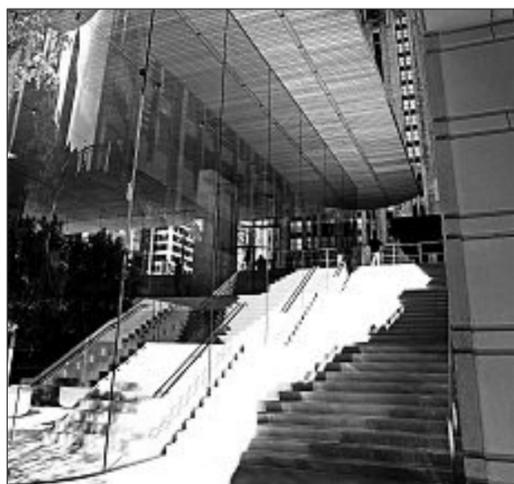
Walton Street's decision to sell the Apple store was first reported by The Wall Street Journal.

Stephen Sotoloff, a Walton Street principal, declined to comment.

Walton Street is offering the Apple store individually, or as part of a larger deal of at least \$170 million that would include about 11,000 square feet of ground-floor retail in the office building, according to people familiar with the deal. The deal also could include a portion of Pioneer Court plaza in front of the building and a boat dock leased to Shoreline Sightseeing, sources said.

Walton Street will continue to own the office building other than the ground floor retail space.

An Eastdil Secured team of brokers will market the property to potential buyers.



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Walton Street Capital has hired brokers to put Apple's Michigan Avenue flagship store, which opened Oct. 20, up for sale.

About 7,000 square feet of ground-floor retail space in the office building is leased to Fidelity Investments. About 4,000 square feet of retail space on the building's north side is vacant.

Before moving into the new flagship in October, Apple's Mag Mile store had

been at Michigan Avenue and Huron Street since 2003. That space remains vacant.

The new flagship was designed by London-based Foster + Partners. Apple has a 15-year lease.

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TEMPE | ABC-15

Authorities investigate the scene of a fatal collision involving a self-driving Uber car on the street in Tempe, Ariz.

Cops: Victim stepped before self-driving car

BY MOLLY KISSLER, ALAN LEVIN AND RYAN BEENE
Bloomberg News

Police say a video from the Uber self-driving car that struck and killed a woman Sunday shows her moving in front of it suddenly, a factor that investigators are likely to focus on as they assess the performance of the technology in the first pedestrian fatality involving an autonomous vehicle.

The Uber had a forward-facing video recorder,

which showed the woman was walking a bike at about 10 p.m. and moved into traffic from a dark center median.

"It's very clear it would have been difficult to avoid this collision in any kind of mode," Sylvia Moir, police chief in Tempe, Ariz., told the San Francisco Chronicle.

"The driver said it was like a flash, the person walked out in front of them," Moir said, referring to the backup driver who was behind the wheel but

not operating the vehicle.

The chief's account raises new questions in the investigation, which holds importance to the future of the burgeoning autonomous vehicle industry. Uber halted autonomous vehicle tests in the wake of the collision.

It's too soon to draw any conclusions from the preliminary information that has emerged, said Bryant Walker Smith, a law professor at the University of South Carolina who has studied autonomous vehi-

cle liability.

"It's possible that Uber's automated driving system did not detect the pedestrian, did not classify her as a pedestrian, or did not predict her departure from the median," Smith said in an email. "I don't know whether these steps occurred too late to prevent or lessen the collision or whether they never occurred at all, but the lack of braking or swerving whatsoever is alarming and suggests that the system never anticipated the collision."

MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 24,803.61 Low: 24,650.64 Previous: 24,610.91



Nasdaq	S&P 500	Russell 2000
+20.06 (+.27%)	+4.02 (+.15%)	-15 (-.01%)
Close 7,364.30	Close 2,716.94	Close 1,570.41
High 7,380.74	High 2,724.22	High 1,575.78
Low 7,331.24	Low 2,710.05	Low 1,566.75
Previous 7,344.24	Previous 2,712.92	Previous 1,570.56

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
+.05 to 2.90%	-5.70 to \$1,311.10	+.49 to 106.46/\$1	+.0068 to .8161/\$1	+1.36 to \$63.42

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
-1.12	-1.95	-1.75	-95	+1.80	+0.3	+19.64	+27.11	+15.91

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	452.50	457.50	450	453	+2.25
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	375.25	377	373.25	374.50	-0.50
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	1022.25	1029.75	1022.25	1028.25	+5.75
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	May 18	32.06	32.15	31.52	31.74	-0.32
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	May 18	358.00	363.00	358.00	361.70	+3.10
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl- dollars per bbl	Apr 18	62.10	63.81	62.08	63.42	+1.36
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Apr 18	2.660	2.695	2.650	2.675	+0.024
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Apr 18	1.9291	1.9778	1.9283	1.9659	+0.0410

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	62.65	+39	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	85.35	-39	McDonalds Corp	N	159.38	+37
AbbVie Inc	N	112.65	+62	Equity Residential	N	60.27	-05	Middleby Corp	O	128.54	+13
Allstate Corp	N	97.39	+61	Exelon Corp	N	38.31	+09	Mordelz Int'l	O	42.35	...
Aptargroup Inc	N	89.78	-18	First Indl RT	N	29.70	-29	Morningstar Inc	O	97.92	+24
Arch Dan Mid	N	62.97	-09	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	60.68	-23	Motorola Solutions	N	109.39	+64
Baxter Int'l	N	56.91	+15	Gallagher AJ	N	70.85	-33	Navistar Int'l	N	33.81	+08
Boeing Co	N	337.63	+587	Graininger W/W	N	285.71	-67	NiSource Inc	N	23.18	-06
Brunswick Corp	N	61.28	-08	GrubHub Inc	N	110.48	+166	Nthn Trust Cp	O	106.35	-37
CBOE Global Markets	O	119.90	+137	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	87.18	+97	Old Republic	N	21.50	+10
CDK Global Inc	O	67.68	-91	Hyatt Hotels Corp	N	80.03	+65	Packaging Corp Am	N	116.51	-15
CDW Corp	O	75.21	+123	IDEX Corp	N	150.37	+311	Stericycle Inc	O	62.29	-68
CF Industries	N	37.95	+26	ITW	N	167.80	+17	TransUnion	N	59.16	+50
CME Group	O	164.18	+64	Ingredion Inc	N	131.43	-08	Tribune Media Co A	N	40.95	-04
CNA Financial	N	52.16	+25	John Bean Technol	N	120.05	+65	USG Corp	N	33.58	-03
Caterpillar Inc	N	154.06	+191	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	177.30	+254	Ulta Salon Cosmetics	O	215.63	+03
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	36.41	+07	KapStone Paper	N	34.79	-06	United Cont'l Hldgs	N	70.48	+35
Deere Co	N	159.99	+46	Kraft Heinz Co	O	63.18	-77	Ventas Inc	N	49.00	-53
Discover Fin Svcs	N	75.36	-68	LKQ Corporation	O	39.40	+15	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	66.05	-57
Dover Corp	N	103.91	+401	Littelfuse Inc	O	219.43	-27	Wintrust Financial	O	88.61	-81
Equity Commonwth	N	30.25	+22	MB Financial	O	43.36	-28	Zebra Tech	O	142.34	+245

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	13.64	-43
Twitter Inc	31.35	-3.63
Oracl Corp	47.05	-4.90
Ford Motor	10.99	-0.2
Bank of America	31.98	-0.2
Chesapac Engy	3.11	+10
Snap Inc A	16.00	-42
Wells Fargo & Co	54.90	-5.8
Gerdau SA	4.71	+16
Kinder Morgan Inc	15.61	-39
Rite Aid Corp	1.52	-06
AT&T Inc	36.34	-24
Pfizer Inc	36.33	-02
Barrick Gold	12.04	-22
Square Inc	57.69	+3.11
Freepor McMoran	18.49	+4.4
Mulesoft Inc	42.00	+8.97
AK Steel Hold	4.82	-13
Vale SA	12.55	+0.8
Bco Santander SA	6.62	-02
Sprint Corp	5.19	-06
Teva Pharm	17.68	-23
Willbros Group	.19	-65
Weatherford Intl Ltd	2.48	-07

LARGEST COMPANIES

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	198.95	+4.42
Alphabet Inc C	1097.71	-2.11
Alphabet Inc A	1095.80	-4.27
Amazon.com Inc	1586.51	+41.58
Apple Inc	175.24	-0.6
Bank of America	31.98	...
Berkshire Hath A	307100	+1120
Berkshire Hath B	204.75	+76
Exxon Mobil Corp	73.99	-16
Facebook Inc	168.15	-4.41
Intel Corp	51.55	-7.2
JPMorgan Chase	114.64	+11
Johnson & Johnson	131.21	+9.7
Microsoft Corp	93.13	+24
Royal Dutch Shell A	62.21	+46
Source Cap	41.05	-04
Visa Inc	124.91	+1.70
WalMart Strs	87.95	+5.0
Wells Fargo & Co	54.90	-5.8

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	33.62	+16	+22.4
American Funds AmnrcBAlA m	25.95	+01	+10.4
American Funds CptWldGrInCA m	68.25	+15	+16.7
American Funds CptInlncBldrA m	60.88	-13	+6.7
American Funds EuroPacGrA m	57.55	+12	+22.6
American Funds FdmtlInvSA m	63.01	+06	+17.6
American Funds GfrAmrcA m	52.72	+23	+24.1
American Funds IncAmrcA m	22.84	-01	+7.5
American Funds InvCAmrcA m	40.87	+07	+14.5
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	45.23	+14	+23.3
American Funds WAMTInvSA m	46.60	+08	+14.8
DFA EMktCorEq	23.89	+16	+22.6
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.58	-02	+2.2
Dodge & Cox IntStk	46.20	+02	+12.8
Dodge & Cox Stk	206.04	-07	+13.4
DoubleLine TtRetBdl	10.47	...	+2.3
Fidelity 500IdxIns	95.37	+14	+16.7
Fidelity 500IdxInsPrrm	95.37	+14	+16.7
Fidelity 500IndexPrrm	95.37	+15	+16.7
Fidelity Contrafund	129.79	+62	+29.1
Fidelity ContrafundK	129.74	+62	+29.2
Fidelity InvGrAdmrl	10.95	-02	+1.5
Fidelity LowPrStk	54.79	+06	+16.6
Franklin Templeton Inca m	2.30	...	+3.0
Metropolitan West TtRetBdl	10.39	-02	+9
Oakmark IntlInv	28.37	-04	+17.8
PIMCO IncInsl	12.16	...	+5.3
PIMCO TtRetIns	10.03	-02	+2.1
Schwab SP500Idx	42.03	+06	+16.7
T. Rowe Price BCGr	106.75	+79	+37.3
T. Rowe Price GrStk	67.93	+33	+31.0
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	251.88	+37	+16.7
Vanguard DivGrInv	26.67	+05	+2.5
Vanguard HCAmrl	88.23	-32	+9.8
Vanguard IntTTEAdmrl	13.86	-01	+2.5
Vanguard IntlndxIns	247.47	+37	+16.7
Vanguard IntlndxInsPlus	247.48	+37	+16.7
Vanguard InsTtISMidInPls	60.76	+08	+16.7
Vanguard IntGrAdmrl	102.15	+79	+36.2
Vanguard MDCpldxAdmrl	196.09	+41	+14.9
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	141.28	+94	+26.5
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.49	-01	+7
Vanguard SmCpldxAdmrl	72.08	+08	+14.3
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	31.45	+01	+9.9
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	18.57	+01	+11.3
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	33.84	+03	+12.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	20.86	+02	+13.7
Vanguard TtBMidxAdmrl	10.46	-01	+9
Vanguard TtBMidxIns	10.46	-01	+9
Vanguard TtInBdxAdmrl	21.74	-01	+3.3
Vanguard TtInBdxAdmrl	30.60	+07	+17.8
Vanguard TtInSdxIns	122.36	+27	+17.8
Vanguard TtInSdxInsPlus	122.38	+26	+17.8
Vanguard TtInSdxInv	18.29	+04	+7.8
Vanguard TtISMidxAdmrl	68.17	+10	+16.6
Vanguard TtISMidxIns	68.18	+10	+16.6
Vanguard TtISMidxInv	68.13	+10	+16.5
Vanguard WlntnAdmrl	71.48	-01	+9.6
Vanguard WlsvIncAdmrl	63.24	-08	+5.2
Vanguard WndrsrAdmrl	66.30	-25	+9.6

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	1.75	1.78
6-month disc	1.91	1.95
2-year	2.35	2.31
10-year	2.90	2.85
30-year	3.13	3.09

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1311.10	\$1316.80
Silver	\$16.125	\$16.255
Platinum	\$945.00	\$954.40

INTEREST RATES

Prime Rate	4.50
Discount Rate Primary	2.00
Fed Funds Target	1.25-1.50
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.33

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

A U.S. Dollar buys ...	
Argentina (Peso)	20.2573
Australia (Dollar)	1.3015
Brazil (Real)	3.3067
Britain (Pound)	.7142
Canada (Dollar)	1.3081
China (Yuan)	6.3369
Euro	.8161
India (Rupee)	65.232
Israel (Shekel)	3.4797
Japan (Yen)	106.46
Mexico (Peso)	18.7652
Poland (Zloty)	3.45
So. Korea (Won)	1071.29
Taiwan (Dollar)	29.15
Thailand (Baht)	31.21

FOREIGN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHG./%
Shanghai	3290.64	+11.4/+4
Stoxx600	375.57	+1.9/+5
Nikkei	21380.97	-99.9/-5
MSCI-EAFE	2022.94	-10.3/-5
Bovespa	84163.80	+250.7/+3
FTSE 100	7061.27	+18.3/+3
CAC-40	5252.43	+29.6/+6

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OBITUARIES

PETER G. PETERSON 1926-2018

Billionaire, exec warned against rising U.S. debt

BY KEN SWEET
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Peter G. Peterson, a billionaire and business executive who became one of the most prominent voices to argue for entitlement reform and reducing the U.S. national debt, died Tuesday, his family said. He was 91. The cause was not immediately known.

Born in Kearney, Neb., to Greek immigrants, "Pete" Peterson was CEO of two major U.S. companies and co-founded one of the world's largest private-equity firms.

He was already a national figure in business by the early 1960s, serving as chairman and CEO of Bell and Howell, one of the largest manufacturers of movie cameras at the time.

He left Bell and Howell to work for the Nixon administration in the early 1970s, eventually serving as secretary of commerce from 1972 to 1973.

But Peterson was never a White House insider. Nixon loyalists distrusted him because he was comfortable with Democrats, and Nixon once needed him about his "friends in the Georgetown cocktail set," Peterson wrote in his 2009 autobiography, "The Education of an American Dreamer."

Sensing he would soon be at "the far end of a telephone that would rarely ring," he stepped down as commerce secretary after a year and felt lucky that he departed unscathed by the Watergate scandal.

He took over as chief executive of the investment bank Lehman Brothers in 1973 after leaving the Nixon administration. In 1985, he co-founded the private-equity firm Blackstone Group with Stephen Schwarzman.



MARK LENNIHAN/AP 2011

Peterson served as secretary of commerce in the Nixon administration.

"His intelligence, wit and vision made him an inspirational leader who brought people together from the White House to Wall Street," his family said in a statement.

Blackstone went on to become one of the biggest private-equity firms in the world, with \$434 billion in assets under management at the end of last year. When the firm went public in 2007, Peterson's stake in the company made him a billionaire. His wealth was estimated at \$2 billion, according to Forbes Magazine.

Peterson dedicated the rest of his life to what he called "key fiscal challenges threatening America's future," donating \$1 billion to create the Peter G. Peterson Foundation in 2007.

He never publicly endorsed the fiscal ideals of the tea party. However, his ideas did give him some common ground with them.

He long argued that U.S. entitlement programs, principally Medicaid, Medicare and Social Security, had to be restructured or benefits cut back to avoid bankrupting the government.

"The fact he was able to start a serious debate about

the future of Social Security and other entitlement programs was a huge accomplishment," said Fred Bergsten, founder of the Peterson Institute for International Economics, who worked with Peterson in various capacities going back to the 1970s.

Peterson was not considered ideological when it came to dealing with Social Security and Medicare. A life-long Republican, he still believed that raising taxes should be considered as part of any major restructuring of the U.S. budget, Bergsten said.

The foundation quickly became a major voice on all budget-related matters, repeatedly quoted in national media outlets. In 2008, his organization helped bankroll the documentary "I.O.U.S.A.," with the goal of making the federal government's ballooning national debt, then around \$10 trillion, a central campaign issue.

He went to Northwestern University, where he had a social life rich with beer, women and occasional "debauchery," as he put it, yet managed to graduate summa cum laude in 1947 with a degree in marketing. In 1951, he earned a master's degree at the University of Chicago's Graduate School of Business.

Peterson's first two marriages, to Kris Krengel and Sally Peters, ended in divorce. Survivors include his wife of 37 years, Joan Ganz Cooney, a creator of "Sesame Street," of New York; five children from his second marriage, John Peterson of Ross, Calif., and Jim Peterson, David Peterson, Holly Peterson and Michael Peterson, all of New York; a brother; and nine grandchildren.

Washington Post contributed.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON MARCH 21 ...

In 1871 journalist Henry Stanley began his famous expedition to Africa to find missing Scottish missionary David Livingstone.

In 1900 an agreement was signed to bring the Saint Paul Saints to Chicago's South Side; the team would be renamed the Chicago White Stockings.

In 1944 Charles Chaplin went on trial in Los Angeles, accused of transporting former protegee Joan Barry across state lines for immoral purposes. (Chaplin was acquitted but later lost a paternity suit despite tests showing he wasn't the father of Barry's child.)

In 1945, during World War II, Allied bombers began four days of raids over Germany.

In 1963 the Alcatraz federal prison island in San Francisco Bay was emptied of its last inmates at the order of Attorney General Robert Kennedy.

In 1965 more than 3,000 civil rights demonstrators led by Martin Luther King Jr. began their march from Selma to Montgomery, Ala.

In 1972 the Supreme Court

ruled that states may not require at least a year's residency for voting eligibility.

In 1979 the Egyptian Parliament unanimously approved a peace treaty with Israel.

In 1995 thousands of Japanese police raided the offices of a secretive religious group, Aum Shinri Kyo, in connection with nerve-gas attacks on Tokyo subways that killed 12 people and sickened thousands.

In 1996 General Motors and the United Auto Workers reached a settlement in a 17-day brake-factory strike that idled more than 177,000 employees and brought the automaker to a near standstill.

In 1999 Israel's Supreme Court rejected a final effort to have American teenager Samuel Sheinbein returned to the United States to face murder charges. (Under a plea agreement with Israeli prosecutors, Sheinbein was later sentenced to 24 years in prison for the murder of Alfred Tello Jr.)

In 2000 a divided Supreme Court ruled the government lacked authority to regulate tobacco as an addictive drug, throwing

out the Clinton administration's main anti-smoking initiative.

In 2001 the Supreme Court ruled that hospitals cannot test pregnant women for drug use without their consent.

In 2003 the House approved a \$2.2 trillion budget embracing President George W. Bush's tax-cutting plan.

In 2006 Sgt. Michael J. Smith, an Army dog handler at Abu Ghraib, was convicted at Fort Meade, Md., of abusing prisoners. (Smith was later sentenced to 179 days in prison.)

In 2008 officials admitted that at least four State Department workers had pried into the supposedly secure passport files of Hillary Rodham Clinton, Barack Obama and John McCain, prompting Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice to personally apologize to the presidential contenders.

In 2010 the U.S. House approved landmark health care legislation in a party-line 219-212 vote, capping a yearlong effort by President Barack Obama and Democratic leaders.

Chicago Tribune Death Notices
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Amatangelo, Nicholas S.

The life of Nicholas S. Amatangelo, 83, of Barrington Hills, reads like an Horacio Alger story. Nicholas was born in Monessen, Pennsylvania, to Lucy (née Schiavone) and Sylvester Amatangelo, immigrants from Northern Italy, on February 12, 1935, the eldest of three sons. He passed away March 15, 2018. He entered first grade not speaking a word of English.

He went on to be elected an officer at his grade school, President of his senior class at high school and Student Council President. He received his BA from Duquesne University, where he was a Charter Member of the Century Club of Distinguished Alumni and Chair of the Executive Committee; his MBA from the University of Pittsburgh and completed post graduate studies at the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School. He began a storied quarter century career with Bowne & Co. Inc. as President / CEO of Bowne of San Francisco, then Bowne of Houston, and finally Bowne of Chicago, which included Bowne of Detroit, Bowne of Minneapolis, Bowne of St. Louis and Bowne of Milwaukee. He ran all the companies with integrity, fairness and generosity, as he lived his life, during a period of revolutionary changes and growth in the financial printing industry. He met the love of his life, Kathleen Mary Driscoll, at the Yale/Harvard Crew Races in 1963. They married 11 months later, at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Connecticut, and began a love affair that lasted more than a half century. They were a team and they literally danced through life together. He was exceptionally devoted to his daughters and supported their endeavors and dreams unconditionally. He would travel across the country just to be present at their events, even if it meant he had to take the next plane back! In his retirement, Nick lectured as an adjunct professor in the Graduate School of Business at Roosevelt University and served on the Boards of the Associated Colleges of Illinois, the Chicago College of the Performing Arts and as an Emeritus Director of the Auditorium Theatre of Roosevelt University. He was a proud member of the Union League Club of Chicago and served on the Art Committee. He was also a long time member of the Economic Club of Chicago, the Chief Executives' Club of Chicago and participated in the Principal for a Day Program of the Chicago Public Schools. In addition to his adored wife, Kathleen, Nick leaves his beloved daughters, Amy Amatangelo and her husband, Lawrence Shay; Holly Amatangelo and her husband, William Kissane; and his treasured grandchildren, Molly Shay and Nicholas Shay, who brought him happiness beyond measure. He is also survived by his brother, Anthony and his wife, Allison, and his sister-in-law, Diane Amatangelo, as well as many nephews, nieces, cousins and life-long friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and his youngest brother, Sal Amatangelo. His was a life well-lived and lived generously. We are all blessed to have shared this Earth with him. Visitation will be 4pm-7pm Friday, March 23 at Davenport Family Funeral Home, 149 W. Main St. (Lake-Cook Road), Barrington, Mass. of Christian Burial will be at 11:30am, Saturday, March 24 at St. Anne Catholic Church, 120 N. Ela Street, Barrington. There will be visitation at the church from 10:30am until the mass. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Union League Boys and Girls Clubs, <http://www.ulbgc.org/donate>, or Auditorium Theatre, 50 E Congress Parkway, Chicago, IL 60605, or Duquesne University, 600 Forbes Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15282.



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Beifuss Sr., James

James Sr. Beifuss, of Lombard. Beloved husband of Patricia, nee McAvoy and the late Carol, nee Robertson; loving father of Jennifer (Louis) Sanner, James Jr. (Kathryn) Beifuss, Thomas (Lorena) Beifuss, Maureen (William) Brennan, Megan (Eric) Meyer, Patrick Beifuss, Kathleen (Fiancé Scott Cassin) Beifuss, the late Julia (Ervin) Dusak; devoted grandfather of 15; great-grandfather of 3; fond brother of Jewel (the late Byron) Koch, Joseph (Susan Wade) Beifuss, the late John (Joan) Beifuss, and the late Mary Robertson; uncle of many nieces and nephews. Memorial Mass Saturday, March 24th, 10:30 am at Christ the King, 1501 S. Main St., Lombard. In lieu of flowers memorials to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, or Retired Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate 1433 Essington Rd. Joliet, IL 60435. Interment Private. Funeral info: (630) 932-1500 or www.knollcrest.net.

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Berg, Roy Albert

September 25, 1927 – March 16, 2018

At the age of 90, after a full, productive life, Roy Albert Berg, passed peacefully away in Madison, WI. He is survived by his dearly beloved wife of 67 years, Dorothy Dahlberg Berg and his daughters from Maryland, Ellen Marie Berg and Christine Dorothy Berg. Additionally, he is survived by his son-in-law, Cyril W. Draffin, Jr. and his devoted grandchildren, Emelia and Mora Gold and William and Benjamin Draffin. Roy was born in Chicago and worked as an actuary and vice-president at Old Republic Insurance Company in Chicago and American Family Insurance in Madison. He valued his Norwegian roots. He learned Norwegian as an adult and obtained a Masters in Scandinavian Studies in his 70's. He belonged to the Ydgrasil Literary Society and the Torske Klubben in Madison. Another passion was chess which gained him membership in The Cliff Dwellers in Chicago at which he served a term as president. He also belonged to the Cosmos Club in Washington, DC and served as first board of their chess team. He traveled internationally for the club winning in Paris and London. Also, he was the only team member to have a draw while the others lost against the Capablanca Chess Club in Havana, Cuba. He was predeceased by his son, Eric Martin Berg. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Eric Martin Berg Memorial Endowment at Knox College, Box K230, Galesburg, IL 61401 or www.knox.edu/berg. Visitation will be in the chapel from 10:30-11 am on Thursday, March 22, 2018 at Bethel Lutheran Church, 312 Wisconsin Ave., Madison, WI 53703 with a memorial service to follow at 11:00 am. A light lunch will be served immediately following the service. Private burial will take place at Memorial Park Cemetery in Skokie, IL.

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Bernd, Frank J.

Frank Bernd age 94, of Wheeling and formerly of Naperville. Devoted and dearly loved husband of Evelyn (nee Stube) for 73 years. Cherished father of Terry (John) Hamlin, Faye Bernd, Victoria (Ed Novak) Bernd, and Sandra Atkinson. Proud grandfather of Julie Graf, Joseph McDonald, Kristen (Jason) Yedlinski, Garrett (Jenny) Hamlin, Andy

Atkinson, Ramona Novak, and Isabelle Novak. Great-grandfather of Taylor Graf, Aidan and Sophia Yedlinski; Cole, Jocelyn and Elsa Hamlin. Dear brother of the late John Bernd. Decorated veteran of WW II as First Lieutenant in the Army Air Corps, serving as lead bombardier of the 748 squadron, 457 bomb group. Frank was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with four Oak Leaf clusters, and three Battle Stars on the European Ribbon. His career included General Manager of Curtis Lighting Company; Vice President of C.B. Thorsen and Assoc.; Senior Partner of Thorsen, Bernd and Assoc.; and Partner of Bernd, Wallace and Assoc., Inc. After retiring from business, Frank volunteered for ten years with the Naperville Community Radio Watch and for two years at the front desk with the Naperville Police Department. He was also a member of HURRAH, a reader at Beebe School, and a frequent junior high school guest speaker with a wealth of WW II firsthand information. A role model and inspiration to many, Frank was admired for setting the standard high for contributions to family, community, and country. Throughout his life Frank was a man of deep faith, devoted to God. He will always proudly remain "our hero" to his family. Memorial Visitation Saturday, March 24 at 10 am at the Adolorata Villa, 555 McHenry Road, Wheeling, IL, followed by 11 am Life Celebration Mass. Inurnment privately at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL. In lieu of flowers, donations to the National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force at <http://www.mightyeighth.org> would be appreciated.

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Block, Jerome "Jerry"

Jerome "Jerry" Block, 87, beloved husband of the late Pearl; loving father of Carol (Michael) Irgang and Susan (Keith) Rosenthal; cherished Papa of Alyssa, Rachael and Pam Irgang, Adam and Iris Rosenthal; dear brother of Michael (Etta) Block. Funeral service Thursday 12 Noon at Congregation B'nai Tikvah, 1558 Wilmot Road, Deerfield. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to CJE SeniorLife. For information and condolences, **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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Brandt, Diane M.

Diane M. Brandt, nee Mueller; Dearly beloved wife of the late Robert O.; Loving mother of Kathy (the late David) Luttmner and Carol; Cherished grandmother of Bryan (fiancé Elizabeth); Fond sister of Dan (Doe) Mueller; Dear sister-in-law of Irene (the late John) Mueller, Dorothy (the late Bob) Borta, and the late Elaine (the late Bill) Norman; Loving aunt of many nieces and nephews and their families; Many lifelong and cherished friends and their families. In lieu of flowers, donations appreciated to Rainbow Hospice, 1550 Bishop Court Mt. Prospect, IL 60056. Visitation Thursday 3-8 p.m. at BELMONT FUNERAL HOME, 7120 W. Belmont Ave. Funeral prayers Friday 9 a.m. at the funeral home proceeding to St. Vincent Ferrer Church for Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Info 773-286-2500 or www.belmontfuneralhome.com



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Chambers, George R.

Formerly of Park Ridge, IL. Died peacefully surrounded by his family in Shorewood, WI on March 3, 2018 at age 93. Beloved husband of the late Charlotte (nee Menkirk) Chambers. Cherished father of Eileen (Syd) Rosenberg, Gregory (Boon Ai) Chambers, Claudia (John) Glenn, Peter (Janice) Chambers, and Robert (Monica) Chambers. Loving grandfather of Matthew, Christopher (Kit), Elise, Daniel, Sean, Nate, Simran, Meera, Priya and "honorary grandchildren" Keri, Justin and Anne. Dear great-grandfather to Evan, Mia, Fiona, Greta and Archer. Further survived by his twin brother, Fr. James E. Chambers, S.J. of Clarkston, MI.

George served in the Navy during World War II and graduated from Marquette University in 1950. He returned to the Chicago area to work and raise his family.

Family will greet friends on Friday, March 23, 2018 at Holy Family Parish, 4825 N. Wildwood Ave. in Whitefish Bay, WI, from 11:00AM to 11:45AM, with eulogies beginning at 11:45AM. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated immediately following at 12 noon. Interment to take place the following day, Saturday, March 24, at 1:00 pm in Queen of Heaven Cemetery, 1400 S. Wolf Rd. Hillside, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Food For The Poor, Inc. 6401 Lyons Road, Coconut Creek, Florida 33073. Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries

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March 22 Lotto: \$8M	
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Collins, Ismene M.

Ismene M. Collins, 90, fell asleep in the Lord on March 19, 2018. Ismene, nicknamed Babe, was the youngest of five daughters of Katina and Minas Maxouris. She is survived by two children, Thomas and Catherine, 5 grandchildren, a great-grandson, nieces, nephews, and godchildren. She was a graduate of Eastern Michigan University and Wayne State University, Detroit. Ismene was a classroom teacher and administrator for 33 years, and a pioneer in innovative teaching methods. She retired in 1986 as the Park Ridge School's Curriculum Consultant and honored with many awards. Ismene was an active member of St. Nicholas Church, Detroit; St. John the Baptist Church, Des Plaines, IL, St. Barbara Church, Bradenton, FL, and Sts. Peter & Paul Church, Glenview, IL. Married for 55 years when Nicholas passed away. Ismene was grateful to God, and said that she enjoyed a bright life. The viewing will be on Thursday March 22, 4:00-7:00 pm, at Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home, 1104 Waukegan Rd., Glenview. On Friday, March 23, at S.S. Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church, 1401 Wagner Rd. Glenview, IL, there will be one hour for viewing at 10:00am, prior to the funeral beginning at 11:00. Interment Elmwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family welcomes donations to the Philoptochos of Sts. Peter & Paul Greek Orthodox Church.

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Theresa M. Costabile, nee Garda, age 79. Beloved wife of the late Eugene A.; loving mother of Maria (Fred) Toms and Anthony (Rhonna); fond grandmother of Eugene, Jason, Jordan, Jamie, Matthew and Freddy III; dear sister of Yolanda (the late Charles) Colletti and John (Patricia) Garda; fond aunt of many. Visitation Thursday March 22, 2018 from 3:00 until 9:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels**, 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge, IL. Funeral services begin Friday March 23, 2018, 9:30 a.m. at the funeral home and will proceed to St. Priscilla Church for Mass at 10:30 a.m. Interment Mt. Carmel Cemetery. Info 708-456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapels.com.

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Del Carlo MPH, Kathy Of Hinsdale, IL. Preceded in death by the love of her life, Dr. Paul Del Carlo. Kathy was a dedicated mother to Brian, Danielle, and Nicholas (late Abby Del Carlo). Kathy loved tennis, became state tennis champion and her team's captain. The Memorial service will be held at 10:00 AM on April 13th at St. Isaac Jogues Church, 306 W. Fourth Street, Hinsdale, IL 60521.

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Edward J. Dethke, beloved husband of the late Edyth Dethke; loving father of Suzanne (Peter) Babilla and Sharon (Richard) Hagerty; dear grandfather of Paige and Andrew Babilla, Kendall and Mackenzie Hagerty. Visitation Friday, March 23rd, 3:00PM to 8:00PM. Funeral Saturday, March 24th; 9:30AM from **Adams-Winterfield & Sullivan Funeral Home**, 4343 Main St. (1 blk. So. of Ogden Ave.) Downers Grove to St. Mary of Gostyn Church. Mass 10:00AM. Interment Clarendon Hills Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, Cognitive Neurology & Alzheimer's Disease Center, www.wewill.northwestern.edu are appreciated. 630/968-1000 or www.adamswinterfieldsullivan.com

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John DiMaria, Veteran US Army



Beloved husband of Marilyn. Loving Father of David DiMaria, Anthony (Jolene) DiMaria, Ariane (Michael) Hitzeman, Michael (Kelly) DiMaria, Gregory (Carrie) Fetter, and Bryan (Michelle) Fetter. Fond grandfather of Nicholas, Sophia, Tiffany, and Isabella Fetter, Caleb, Celeste, Liana, Luke, Margo,



and Ava DiMaria and Carly and Brandon Hitzeman, Dear brother of Annette Bracco (Eric Miller), Brother-in-law of Paula (James) Nedwick and the late

Michael (Melissa) Oslac. Fond uncle of many. Distinguished member of the Monday Nite Crew. Visitation Friday, March 23, 2018 from 9:00-10:00AM at St. Mary Vernon Catholic Church 236 US Highway 45 Indian Creek, IL 60060. Mass will follow at 10:00AM Entombment Christ the King Garden Mausoleum in Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions in John's name to Mercy Home for Boys and Girls 1140 W. Jackson Chicago, IL 60607 or to St. Jude Children's Hospital 262 Danny Thomas Place Memphis, TN 38105 would be appreciated. Info: Cappetta-DiCano Funeral Directors 1900 Spring Rd. Suite. 102 Oak Brook, IL 60523 708 222-T-O-N-Y(8669) or 708 222-F-R-E-D (3733). www.cappetta-dicano.com

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John Joseph Duda, Sr., age 70; beloved husband of Debbie Duda, nee Sullivan; loving father of John (Lindsey) Duda, Sara (Rob) Clary, and Kevin Duda; cherished grandfather of Evelyn and John "Sutton" Duda, and Oliver, Violet, Rose and George Clary; dear brother of Marie (Vince) Mahler, Joan (Kevin) Kissane, Jane Duda, Carol (Denis) Kaniverskis, and the late Robert Duda; fond brother-in-law of Foster (Debbie) Sullivan, Lynn Sullivan, Larry Sullivan, and James (Kathleen) Sullivan. Memorial service to be held on Saturday, March 24th at 11:00 AM at Grace Episcopal Church, 120 E. 1st St. Hinsdale, IL. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers please gather a few friends, have a cigar and a beer, and tell your best John Duda stories. 630-323-0275 or www.sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com.

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Nancy Torpe Elmer, a resident of Winnetka, Illinois died on March 19, 2018. She was the daughter of the late Clarence and Rosalie nee Torpe Elmer. Nancy was a graduate of Principia College with a master's degree in education from the National College of Education. She taught for 32 years at the Latin School in Chicago where, among other accomplishments, she created the Geography Hall of Fame. Nancy absolutely loved the 32 years she spent teaching. Nancy also loved to travel and made numerous trips with relatives and friends to England, France, Italy and destinations within the United States, primarily New England. She was a member of the Antiquarian Society of the Art Institute of Chicago. She was a member of the First Church of Christ Scientist in Winnetka. She provided substantial financial support for Principia College and Latin School. A celebration of Nancy's life will be held on Saturday, March 24th, 2018 11:00 a.m. until time of memorial service 11:30 a.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Principia College, c/o Gift Services, 13201 Clayton Road, St. Louis, MO 63131, or Latin School of Chicago, 59 W. North Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60610. Info: (847) 675-1990 or www.donnellanfuneral.com

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Elizabeth A. Fisk (Benz), age 86, of Oswego, IL passed away on Saturday, March 17, 2018. She was born on April 3, 1931 in Chicago, IL. Elizabeth is survived by her loving children, Cheryl (Bob) Schenk-Ehrlich, Lori (Will) Fisk-Conners, Craig (Carmel) Fisk and Lisa (Robert) Snyder. Elizabeth is also survived by her sister Lorraine Benz and brother Walter (Eunice) Benz. Memorial Visitation will be held on Sunday, March 25, 2018 from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. with a service immediately following at the **Beidelman-Kunsch Funeral Homes & Crematory**, 24021 Royal Worlington Dr., Naperville. Info: 630-922-9630 or www.beidelmankunschfh.com

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Elaine Friedman, nee Stark, age 90, beloved wife of the late Julian, cherished mother of Steven (Moonja), Barry and Robert (Michelle) Friedman, devoted grandmother of Aaron (Ariella) Friedman, Sara (Dani) Hirsch, Noah and Rebecca Friedman and great-grandchildren David, Zachy, Danya, Jake, Ayala, Dahlia and Raaya. Graveside services Wednesday 1:45 PM at Memorial Park Cemetery, 9900 Gross Point Rd., Skokie. Info **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals**, 630-MITZVAH (630-648-9824) or www.mitzvahfunerals.com

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Devoted daughter of the late; Michael J. & Esther M. (nee Conway) Goldrick. Loving sister of Noreen C. & Margaret M. Goldrick. Dear cousin & great cousin of many. Visitation Thursday, March 22nd from 9 a.m. until time of Mass 11 a.m. at Our Lady of the Woods Church, 10731 W. 131st Street, Orland Park. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Mercy Home for Boys & Girls, 1140 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60607 would be appreciated. Arrangements were entrusted to the **Kerry Funeral Home & Cremation Care Center** in Palos Heights. www.kerryfh.com - (708) 361.4235 - www.facebook.com/kerryfuneral

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Retired CPD, beloved husband of Michelle nee Appleton; loving father of Victoria (Scott) Moore, Sam (Ana), and Greg; proud grandfather of Nichole, James, Donald, Briana, Trevor, Gregory, Sam, Victoria, Anthony, Brody, Cal and Sydney. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation. Visitation Thursday and Friday 4:00 to 8:00pm at THE ORIGINAL RAGO BROTHERS FUNERAL HOME, 7751 W. Irving Park Rd. Funeral Saturday 9:00am to St. Eugene Church for 10:00am Mass. Int: Mt. Carmel Cemetery. For info: 773-276-7800 or ragobrothersfuneralhome.com

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Florence Hlava, nee Jana, beloved wife of the late Edward; loving mother of Susan (the late Kenneth) Isley and Kathryn (Kenneth) Misiak; dear grandmother of Matthew (Sara) Misiak, Jonathon (Amber) Misiak, Sarah (Daniel) Mickney, Peter (Samantha) Senick, Lauren (Evan) Jenkins, and Meredith Isley; cherished great grandmother of Joey, Abbey and Sammy Misiak, Olivia Mickney, Ethan and Claire Senick, Holden and Brandon Jenkins. Memorials may be made to Novant Health Hospice, PO BOX 33549, Charlotte, NC 28233 or to St. Odilo Catholic Church, 2244 East Ave., Berwyn, IL 60402. Funeral Saturday 9 a.m. from **Linhart Funeral Home**, 6820 West Cermak Road, Berwyn. to St. Odilo Church. Mass 9:30 a.m. Interment St. Adalbert Cemetery. Visitation Friday 2 to 8 p.m. Info (708) 749-2255 or www.linhartfuneralhome.com

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Brenda HUSS nee Fettner, Age 92. Holocaust Survivor. From Horodenka, Poland. Revered Hebrew teacher. Devoted wife for 70 years of the late David Huss. A real yiddishe mama of Dr. Fred (Caryn Bark) Huss and Ron (Doris) Huss. Proud bubbie of Chapman, Dashiell (Shlomo), Tallulah, Erika and Mark (Kelly). Cherished great grandmother of Jakob, Alex, Aaron and Jackson. Honorary bubbie to Alexandra and Ayal. Dear sister of the late Izzie (the late Jean) Fettner, Norman (Fay) Fettner, Leon (Frieda)Fettner, Rivka Fettner and Fivel Fettner. Fond aunt and great aunt to many nieces and nephews. Will be missed by many friends and students. Service Thursday 11AM at Shalom Memorial Park, 1700 west Rand Road, Arlington Heights. In lieu of flowers, memorials in her name can be made to Ezra Habonim The Niles Township Jewish Congregation 4500 Dempster Street Skokie, IL 60076 www.ehnt.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel**, 847.229.8822. www.cjinfo.com

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George Edward Jensen, 81, of Edison Park. Passed away March 19, 2018. Beloved husband of the late June C. Jensen, nee Macholl. Loving father of Keith (Susan), Laura (Jim) Muresan and Cheryl (Jim) Perschke. Proud grandfather of Alex, Kate, Peter and Grace. Dear brother-in-law of Marcia (the late Donald) Macholl and Roger (the late Helen) Macholl. Fond uncle and friend to many. Retired 50 year employee of the Chicago Stock Exchange. Funeral Saturday, March 24, 2018. Family and friends meeting at 11:00 AM at St Andrews Lutheran Church, 260 N. Northwest Hwy., Park Ridge. Funeral service 12:00 Noon. Memorials to St. Andrews Lutheran Church Comfort Dog Ministry or Alzheimer's Association appreciated. Interment St. Luke Cemetery. For further information 877-631-1240 or www.suerth.com

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Age 102, of Monee, passed away on Monday, March 19th, 2018 at her home in Monee. Nora is survived by her loving family, daughter, Noreen (Ralph) Soto, grandson, David (Jackie) Soto, great grandchildren, Ralpie (Ingrid) Soto, Ciara Soto, great great grandson Austin Soto and numerous nieces and nephews. Nora was preceded in death by her parents, Leopold & Katherine Bonk (Darlak), husband, Ralph J. Johnson, grandson, Ralph Soto, siblings, Joseph Bonk, Stella Novack, Stanley Bonk, Edward Bonk, Julius Bonk, Walter Bonk, John Bonk, Florence Kurzeja and Helen Cwirko. Family will receive friends at **Kurtz Memorial Chapel**, 65 Old Frankfort Way, Frankfort, IL 60423 on Friday, March 23rd, 2018 from 3:00 to 8:00 PM. Funeral service, Saturday, March 24th, 2018 with prayers at the funeral home at 9:30 AM and then to St. Anthony Catholic Church, 7659 W. Sauk Trail, Frankfort, IL 60423 for a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM. Interment, Resurrection Cemetery, Justice, IL. In lieu of flowers, donations to the American Cancer Society would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Kurtz Memorial Chapel**, Frankfort, IL. For information, www.kurtzmemorialchapel.com or 815-806-2225.

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Bigger than life Timothy "Bo" Kemper, 59, of Chicago passed peacefully March 19. Known for his bear hugs, huge heart, love of God, family, and a good meal. Loyola Academy grad, MBA from Kellogg Northwestern, member YPO Florida, the Explorer's, Royal Geographical, and Bohemian Clubs. Accomplished fundraiser. Decorated World Record holder as project manager for Steve Fossett. Scout leader to 13 Eagle Scouts. Consummate encourager, loyal friend, terrific dancer. Originally from Northfield, born July 3, 1958 to Joan Kemper Sealy and the late James Kemper. Proud stepson of the late George Sealy. Survived by his mother, Joan, wife, Lee (nee Merkle), children George, Lucy, and Joan. Siblings Mike (Franny) Kemper, Kathy (Jim) Valentine, Dave (Ann) Sealy, Mike (Debbie) Sealy. "Favorite" uncle to many nieces and nephews. Visitation Thursday, March 22, 3-9pm at Smith-Corcoran, 6150 N. Cicero, Chicago. Friends and family will meet Friday, March 23, at St. Mary of the Woods, 6955 N. Hiawatha, Chicago for visitation from 12pm until time of Mass at 1pm. For info 773-736-3833 or visit Bo's memorial at www.smithcorcoran.com

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George Louis Kezios, 76, loving husband for 40 years to Penny (nee Nichols). Proud and devoted father to Anastasia and Kara. Dear brother of the late Connie Kasson. He was an especially loyal son to his parents, the late Gus and Angeline (nee Kuchuris) and mother-in-law, the late Frances Nichols. He was a fond uncle, brother-in-law and cousin to many and a good friend to those who knew him. Throughout his life George set an example of hard work, integrity, kindness and humility. But all he wanted was to be a faithful servant to Christ. He read the Bible daily and actively participated in his Church. Visitation Monday, April 2, 2018 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Donnellan Family Funeral Services, 10045 Skokie Blvd. at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, Illinois 60077. Funeral Service Tuesday, April 3, 2018, 1:00 p.m. at Church of the Holy Comforter, 222 Kenilworth Ave., Kenilworth, Illinois 60043. Memorial donations may be made to Church of the Holy Comforter or Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 601 S. Central Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60644. May his memory be eternal. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.

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Delphine A. Konrath, nee Cocciuti, March 19, 2018, age 91. Late of Homewood, formerly of Chicago. Beloved wife of August F. Konrath. Dear mother of Gina Konrath and Josef Konrath. Loving sister of Joseph Cocciuti. Survived by many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends. Resting at the **Tews-Ryan Funeral Home**, 18230 Dixie Hwy., Homewood Friday, March 23, 2018 from 2:00-9:00 p.m. Prayers Saturday, March 24, 9:15 a.m. to St. Joseph Church, 17951 Dixie Hwy., Homewood. Mass 10:00 a.m. Entombment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorials to Alzheimer's Association would be appreciated. 708 798-5300 or www.tews-ryan.com

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Walter A. Krol, passed away suddenly, age 70. Beloved husband of Claudia, nee Lazarz. Loving father of Eric (Stacy) and Nicole. Proud grandfather of Jackson and Nicholas Krol; Benjamin and Olivia Walker. Dear brother of Susan Malesky and the late James Krol. Will be missed by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Loved going on walks with his wife, taking sports trips with his son and brother, and attending his grandchildren's soccer games and school activities. Service Friday 10 a.m. mass at St. Elizabeth Seton, 9300 W 167th St, Orland Hills. Interment at Good Shepherd Catholic Cemetery, 16201 104th Ave, Orland Park. Arrangements by **Lawn Funeral Home**, 708.429.3200.

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Koula Licciardi nee Petrakis, 91, of Elmhurst and formerly of Westchester. Beloved wife of Al; loving mother of Michael (Sue), Christine (Dennis) Wells and the late Richard; grandmother of David, Daniel, Patrick, Katie, Mia and Matt; great grandmother of 10; sister of Myron Petrakis, Emanuel Petrakis and the late Helen Geotalitis. Visitation at **Ahlgrim Funeral Home**, 567 S. Spring Rd., Elmhurst from 9:00 a.m. until time of Prayers at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 23, 2018 going to Visitation Church. Mass at 11:00 a.m. Entombment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Memorials will be appreciated for the Alzheimer's Association, 8430 W. Bryn Mawr Ave., Chicago, IL 60631. Funeral info 630-834-3515 or www.ahlgrim.com.

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Jerome A. "Jerry" Marco, age 100 3/4. Beloved husband for 71 years of Gene Marco nee Burnstein. Loving father of Susan (Jeffery) Berman, Debra (Jerry) Brody and David (Laura "Rocky") Marco. Proud grandfather of Todd (Michelle) Brody, Kimberly (Aaron) Walsh, Trevor (Jennifer) Brody, Taryn (Brett) Stein, Garrett Marco and Charlotte Marco. Cherished great grandfather of Tyler, Mason, Kaya, Cole, Lily and Liv. Dear brother of the late Sidney (the late Eva) Marco and Edward (Phyllis) Marco and brother-in-law of Florence and the late Barney Wittert and Dolores (Bernard) Gordon. Wonderful uncle of many. Jerry was an avid sports fan and proud WWI veteran. Service Thursday, 12 Noon at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd., (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Oak Woods. Memorials to the Susan G. Komen, 8765 W. Higgins Rd., #401, Chicago, IL 60631, www.komenchicago.org or the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Avenue, Floor 17, Chicago, IL 60601, www.alz.org would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel**, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

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Mary Genevieve Vader McNamara, 95, of Des Plaines, passed away on Monday, March 19 in Lutheran General Hospital. Mary was born in Kansas City, KS. Diagnosed with a heart murmur when she was 5 years old and recommended to get exercise, she was enrolled in dance lessons. It worked- she danced and was named three-time American Legion National Drum Majorette Champion. In February 1943 she was performing with a dance troupe at a Camp Phillips Army Officers Club in Salina, KS. There Mary met her future husband Joseph Hynes McNamara, and after only 5 or 6 dates, they were married January 29, 1944. Mary and Joe were married almost 57 years when her beloved Joe passed. Mary was a teller at Northern Trust Bank in Park Ridge for 25 years. She is survived by their eight children: daughters Joanie (Bill) Schumann, Maureen (Jo Nunley) McNamara, Kathleen (Bill) McLoughlin, sons Pat (Barb), Joe (Barb), Mike (Christy), Jim (Lisa), Tim (Pam Guidice); 16 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren. Mary's family was her greatest source of pride and joy. Memorial Visitation Thursday, March 22, 4-9 p.m. at **Ryan-Parke Funeral Home**, 120 S. Northwest Hwy., Park Ridge. Memorial Mass Friday, 10 a.m. at Mary, Seat of Wisdom Church, (Cumberland at Granville). Interment Private. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Rainbow Hospice, www.rainbowhospice.org. Funeral Information, www.ryan-parke.com.

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Mary M. Motykiewicz, nee Postava, age 97, passed away peacefully on March 18th. Mary was the beloved wife of the late Steve P. for 68 wonderful years; loving mother of Steven M. (Karen) Motykiewicz, Donna M.(Robert) Dvorak and the late Debra Motykiewicz; cherished grandmother of Amber, Jory and Jacob Dvorak and Nathaniel and Nicole Motykiewicz; dear sister of 7; fond aunt of many. Visitation Thursday from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels** 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge, IL. Funeral services will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, at the funeral home, and will then proceed to St. Maria Goretti Church in Schiller Park for Mass at 10:00 a.m. Entombment will follow at St. Joseph Mausoleum. Info www.cumberlandchapels.com or 708-456-8300.

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Phyllis A O'Brien nee Falkenthal beloved wife of Patrick H. O'Brien. Loving mother of Michael (Deborah) O'Brien and Kell (William) Young. Proud grandmother of Benjamin, Dakota, Liam, William, Brendan, Declan, Max, and the late Richard. Dear sister of Donna (Ronald) Webster and the late Richard (Diane) Falkenthal. Dear aunt of Kate, Jean, Mark and Rob. A visitation will be held Friday 10:00am - 11:15am at St. Patricia Church 9000 S 86th Avenue, Hickory Hills. Funeral Mass 11:30am. Interment private. Please omit flowers. Arrangements were entrusted to The Original Lamb Family Funeral & Cremation Service, Rose Lamb, Director. For information call 708-710-9549

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Oglesbee, Barbara J.

Barbara J. (nee Ceglarek) Oglesbee 61 of Arlington Hts. Ex wife of Keith Oglesbee; mother of Katie, Kevin, Brian and Brooke; sister of the late Linda Neuman; daughter of Evelyn (nee Keen) and the late Thomas Ceglarek; also survived by her golden retrievers Summer and Tommy. Visitation Friday, from 3 PM until 8 PM at **Glueckert Funeral Home, Ltd.**, 1520 N. Arlington Hts Rd, (4 blocks south of Palatine Rd) Arlington Hts and 9 AM Saturday, at St. Edna Catholic Church, 2525 N. Arlington Hts Rd, Arlington Hts until time of mass at 10:00 AM. Interment at All Saints Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to The Buddy Foundation, 65 W. Seegers Road, Arlington Hts, IL 60005. Funeral info. & condolences www.GlueckertFH.com or (847) 253-0168.



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Orlov, Joan Donenberg

Joan Donenberg Orlov. Beloved wife of the late Jerry Donenberg and the late Herb Orlov. Loving mother of Jim (Francine) Donenberg, Susan (Philip) Blen, and Fran (Rick) Zera. Cherished grandmother of Jenna (Michael) Feldman, Kate and Brett Zera; Jordan Blen and Megan Coenon; and Jonathan (Erica), Merrick (Kerry) and Jennifer Donenberg. Treasured great-grandmother of Asher, Wesley and Bennett. Devoted daughter of the late Ann and Mark Kaplan and sister of the late Sherwin (Robert) Kaplan. She attended Senn High School and later Wright College. Joan loved music, dancing, chocolate and most importantly spending time with her family. She will be truly missed. Service Friday, 10AM at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Waldheim. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, www.alz.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfnfo.com.



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Pokorna, Alena M.

Alena M. Pokorna, 97, passed away peacefully at her home in the Czech Mission on Sunday, March 18, 2018. Best friend of Alice Vedral, loving aunt to the Vedral children. She taught 2nd and 3rd grade at Blessed Agnes for 22 years. Active in the Czech Catholic community, she had a special affinity for the Eastern Rite. The very talented and well known Czechoslovak born watercolorist, studied at the University of Prague, the University of Fribourg in Switzerland, St. Francis College in Joliet, American Academy of Art in Chicago and Art Instruction School of Minneapolis. She won several prestigious awards and exhibited at art fairs in the greater Chicagoland area. Her paintings have hung in the North Shore Art Guild, Chicago Civic Center and Toman library. Visitation on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at the Czech Mission/Church of St. Cyril and Methodius, 9415 Rochester Ave., Brookfield IL at 6 pm with services at 7 pm. Funeral mass Thursday, 10 a.m. at the Czech Mission. Interment at Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Czech Mission requested. Info at 708-749-2255

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Salmon, Nancy Ann O'Laughlin

It is with sadness that the family of Nancy Salmon announces her peaceful passing in her home in Redwood City, California on Monday, March 12, 2018.



The daughter of Raymond James and Virginia O'Laughlin, Nancy was born in Oak Park, Illinois on October 9, 1947. She received her Bachelor's degree from St. Mary's College in South Bend, Indiana in 1969 and married the same year. She worked as a special education teacher in Illinois for several years before becoming a full-time homemaker. After the family moved to California in 1984, Nancy immersed herself in the children's school theater productions, sports teams and academic pursuits and was an active member of the Sacred Heart school community in Atherton. She beamed at any opportunity to tell her friends how proud she was of her children.

Nancy loved to read. She was always with book in hand. For the last 17 years, she shared this passion for books of all kinds - classics and new releases, thrillers and non-fiction, stories that were joyful or heartfelt - with the local community through her work at Kepler's Books in Menlo Park, California. She developed a dedicated and large following of readers, publishers, authors, friends, co-workers and anyone else interested in one of the noteworthy recommendations on "Nancy's shelf." At her retirement in 2016, she reminded co-workers and friends of the simple joy she found practicing the art of "putting the right book in each customer's hand." She was a constant and vocal champion for independent bookstores, her local community and a good story of any kind.

Nancy was predeceased by her parents Raymond and Virginia and her infant brother Joseph and; she is joined in heaven by her brother-in-law, Jim Schell, who passed away on March 17, 2018. Nancy will forever be in the hearts of her surviving relatives including sisters Sue Schell and Carol Church; her three children and their spouses Kevin and Caryn (McNamee) Salmon, Patrick and Bryanne (Raines) Salmon and Shawn and Nic Maisano; and her six grandchildren Quinn, Shay, Raymond and Duggan Salmon and Sophia and Christopher Maisano. Nancy was also beloved by numerous cousins, nephews, nieces and their children.

A memorial service to celebrate Nancy's life will be held at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 25, 2018 at St. Raymond's church (1100 Santa Cruz Ave, Menlo Park, CA 94025) followed by a reception at Kepler's Books (1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park, CA 94025) beginning at 4:30 p.m. Nancy's final resting place will be All Saints' Cemetery in Des Plaines, Illinois at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that friends purchase books in store or online at Keplers.com. Many of her reviews are viewable on her Goodreads page and recent recommendations are on display on her shelf at Kepler's.

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Scholten, Bernice A.

Bernice A. Scholten, nee Vanderploeg, age 92, beloved wife for 64 years to the late Lewis H. Scholten (2014). Loving mother of Mark (Denise) Scholten, Susan Bird, and Ron (Patrick McDonnell) Scholten. Cherished grandmother of Shawn (Ann), Genessa, Brendon (fiancé Amy), Amanda, Genna, Michael (fiancé Janaye), and Anna. Dearest great-grandmother of Aubrey, Austin, Grace and Addison. Dear sister of Josephine Summers and the late Jeanette Davis. Visitation Saturday, March 24, 2018 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. with a Funeral Service to follow at 3:00 p.m. at **Colonial Chapel** 15525 S. 73rd Ave. (155th/Wheeler Dr. & Harlem) Orland Park, IL 60462. Burial private Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL. Memorials to Calvary Church, 16100 S. 104th Ave., Orland Park, IL 60467, Habitat for Humanity, 121 Habitat St., Americus, GA 31709 or Greater Chicago Food Depository, 4100 W. Ann Lurie Place, Chicago, IL 60632 preferred. Express your thoughts and condolences at colonialchapel.com 708-532-5400

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Shubat, Francis J.

Age 85, U.S. Army Veteran. Beloved husband of 62 years to Joan (nee Cuculich). Devoted father of Francis (Susan), Gregory (Stephanie), Michele (Dragon Musulin), Lisa (Michael) Nicholson, Timothy, Jennifer (Eric) Zielinski, and Valerie Skarbek. Proud grandfather of Leslie, Alexandra, Luke, Ryan, Nolan, Brenden, Jerald, Abigail, and Olivia. Loving great-grandfather of Christopher. Cherished uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Thursday 3-9 p.m. Funeral Friday 9:00 a.m. from the **Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home**, 9000 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, IL to Our Lady of the Woods Church, Mass 9:45 a.m. Interment Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to St. Rita High School, 7740 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 60620 would be appreciated. www.sheehyfn.com 708-857-7878

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Stasek, William "Bill" Robert

William Robert Stasek, 70, of Inverness, beloved husband of Linda; devoted father to Jeremy (fiancée Marissa) and Monica (Chris) Sebring; cherished grandfather "Papa" to Audianna, Nathan, Alex, Tristen, Caroline, and Christopher; dear brother to Bob and fond brother-in-law to Richard (Leah), Sandra (Rolly), William (late Lin), and Mai (Steve). Visitation from 2-9 pm, Thursday at the **Glueckert Funeral Home, Ltd.**, 1520 N. Arlington Heights Road, (4 blocks south of Palatine Road) Arlington Heights, and Friday from 9:30 am until time of funeral service 10:30 am at the funeral home. Interment at Highland Memorial Park Cemetery, Libertyville. In lieu of flowers, contributions to The Cradle, 2049 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, IL, 60201 appreciated. Funeral information and condolences www.GlueckertFH.com or (847) 253-0168.



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Stastny, Joy Theresa Rose

Joy Theresa Rose Stastny, nee Pollastrini, age 76, long time resident of Oak Park, IL passed away peacefully on March 19. Beloved wife of Joseph for 52 years; dear sister of John (Judi) and sister-in-law of Joana (the late Robert) Del Sarto; fond aunt of Laurie Figlewicz and Rebecca (Erik) Whittenhall; dearest great-aunt of Matthew, Katie and Emma. Joy was a wonderful friend to all the people she met in her life. She welcomed everyone into her home and enjoyed the many times they stayed at her "B & B". She was a Nurse to all. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Friday, March 23, 2018 from 2:00 to 9:00 p.m. All to meet Saturday at Ascension Church, 808 East Ave., Oak Park for 9:45 a.m. Funeral Mass. Interment private. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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Szymski, Diane E.

Diane E. Szymski, nee Bracci, age 90. Beloved wife of the late Eugene J.; dear mother of Pamela (Roderick) Johnson, Debora (Patrick Cahill), and John (Bernadette) Szymski; loving grandmother of Brittany (Casey) Bartosh and Kathryn (Kevin) Fitzgerald; cherished great-grandmother of Caroline and Jack Bartosh; fond sister of Reno (Carol) Bracci. Visitation, Thursday, March 22, 2018, from 9 a.m. until time of Prayers, 10:15 a.m., at **HABEN Funeral Home & Crematory**, 8057 Niles Center Rd., Skokie. Funeral Mass, 10:30 a.m., at St. Peter Catholic Church, Skokie. Private Entombment, St. Adalbert Catholic Cemetery Mausoleum, Niles. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Accord Hospice, 400 Lake Cook Road, Suite 208, Deerfield, IL, 60015. Funeral info: 847.673.6111 or www.habenfuneral.com.

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Twarogal, Judith A. 'Judy'

Judith A. Twarogal, "Judy" Judy Twarogal, nee Idaszak, of Naperville, Illinois, loving wife of John Twarogal, went home to her Lord and Savior on Sunday, March 18th, 2018 in Naperville, Illinois after a long illness. Judy was born in Chicago, Illinois on January 21, 1960 to the late Theresa and Leo Idaszak. She is survived by her husband, John, sister Jackie (James) Edwards, brother Raymond (Lynn) Idaszak, and nieces Kristin, Cheryl, Kelli, and nephews Thomas and Jonny. Judy was a graduate of Lewis University and worked as a project manager for several organizations focused on AIDS patient support and research. She was active on a number of committees at St. Elizabeth Seton Church including coordination of the PADS program which provided monthly meals to the homeless. Her compassion and kindness was greatly appreciated by all those she touched. Visitation will be Friday March 23, 2018 from 3 until 8 p.m. at the **Beidelman-Kunsch Funeral Homes & Crematory**, 516 S. Washington St., Naperville. Funeral Mass will be Saturday, March 24, 10:00 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 2220 Lisson Road, Naperville, IL. In lieu of flowers, Judy requested donations to be made in her name to local food pantries or homeless shelters.

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Wehrenberg, Donna-Marie

Donna-Marie Wehrenberg, devoted wife of Donald O. Wehrenberg; loving mother of Deborah Lynne Crader and Darren Lee (Denise) Wehrenberg; proud grandmother of Kendall Katherine Crader; dear step grandmother of Danielle (Matthew) Crescenti and Samantha (Colin) Whittle; proud step great-grandmother of twins, Zoe and Savannah Crescenti; dear sister of Doris May Hobaugh, the late Donald M. McCasland, the late Doreen Murial Steele and the late Wayne Clarence McCasland. Lying in state Tuesday, March 27, 2018 from 9:30 a.m. until time of funeral service, 11 a.m. at the Episcopal Church of Our Saviour, 116 E. Church St., Elmhurst, IL 60126. Private Interment Warren Cemetery, Gurnee, IL. In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution to the Church of Our Saviour. For info 630-834-1133 or pedersenryberg.com

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Wood, Gertrude Marie 'Trudi'

Gertrude Marie (Nelson) Wood passed away peacefully on March 10, 2018 in Urbana, IL; she was 94. Born in Chicago, "Trudi" was always a city girl, and her love for the bright lights and excitement of Chicago and New York remained even while she lived in the small town of Woodhull, IL as a girl, the Marynook neighborhood of Chicago and the south



suburb of Flossmoor while she raised her family, and the Clark-Lindsey retirement community in Urbana in her later years. The years she spent living in Chicago's Near North Side in the 1990s and early 2000s were some of her happiest, as she and her husband immersed themselves in the arts, politics, and travel. A 1941 graduate of Woodhull High School, Trudi worked for the USO and served with the US Navy WAVES during World War II. After the war, she studied at the University of Chicago and Roosevelt College before marrying Ralph J. Wood, Jr. in 1946. She continued her studies after marrying, and graduated from Roosevelt College in 1949. Trudi was a longtime member of the League of Women Voters and a passionate supporter of liberal causes, public television, and her local library. She was a fan of the Goodman Theatre, the Chicago Symphony, the Lyric Opera of Chicago, and good books (especially histories and mysteries). She worked as the office manager for Gerwood, Inc. and the Ralph J. Wood Organization for over 40 years. Pre-deceased by Ralph, her husband of 66 years, she is survived by her five children: Elizabeth Berry (Chuck) of State College, PA; R. Jay Wood III (Janine) of Deerfield, IL; Cynthia Loui (Michael) of Urbana, IL; Maggie Cowan (John) of Chicago; and Richard Wood (Laura Haas) of Somerville, MA; as well as her six grandchildren; sisters Shirley Knutson of Tacoma, WA and Natalie Hernandez of Buellton, CA; and brother Jim Nelson of Livermore, CA. A private family service will be held on her birthday in July. Donations can be made to support your local PBS station or the ACLU.

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Ziebell, Robert T.

Robert T. Ziebell, age 52, of Oak Brook. Loving father of Jeremy and Jillian Ziebell; dear son of Loretta (Bob) Snell and the late Louis H. Ziebell; fond brother of Louis R. Ziebell and Gary Ziebell (Tamra Gleason-Ziebell); uncle of many nieces and nephews. Past Vice-President of Zeeco Metals. Visitation Friday, March 23rd, 4-8 PM at **Knollcrest Funeral Home**, 1500 S. Meyers Rd. (3 blks. S. of Roosevelt Rd.) Lombard. Funeral Saturday, 11 AM from the funeral home to St. Mary of Gostyn, 445 Prairie Ave, Downers Grove. Mass 11:30AM. Interment Chapel Hill Gardens West Cemetery. Memorials to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital are appreciated. Funeral Info: www.knollcrest.net or 630-932-1500.

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BID DUE DATE: April 20, 2018 at 10:00 AM CONTACT: Toyla Rice 312-603-7685 (office), (312) 603-3179 (fax) toyla.rice@cookcountyl.gov (email)

The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, JUDICIAL DISTRICT 19 AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF Javarie L Smith

A MINOR NO. 2017JD02170

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Jason Smith (Father)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **December 13, 2017**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX**, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Kristal Royce Rivers** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois, ON **04/03/2018 at 9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 56 COURTROOM 10,

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT March 21, 2018

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: **M. Patton, K. Fox** ATTORNEY FOR: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: 1100 SOUTH HAMILTON CITY/STATE: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60612 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF COOK
In the matter of the revision of the assessment of Real Property for 2018:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Section 14-35 of the Illinois Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/14-35) that the Assessor of Cook County will sit for the purpose of reviewing the proposed 2018 assessment of Real Property located in the following township(s) or taxing district(s) in Cook County.

NEW TRIER Identified also as Area(s) 04,05, under the Permanent Real Estate Index Numbering System of Cook County.

The last date within which applications for revisions of assessment (Real Estate Assessed Valuation Appeals) may be filed for consideration at such sitting is April 19, 2018.

Such sitting will be held at the office of the Assessor of Cook County, Room 301, in the County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602, and will continue thereafter from day to day as necessary until all such revisions in said township(s) or taxing district(s) have been completed.

Done by the Assessor of Cook County this 21st day of March, 2018.

JOSEPH BERRIOS
ASSESSOR OF COOK COUNTY

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

COUNTY OF COOK TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER SHANNON E. ANDREWS, CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER

ADVERTISEMENT DATE: Wednesday, March 21, 2018

DESCRIPTION: Invitation for Bids for Armored Rescue High-Mobility, Multi-Purpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWV) Upgrades

CONTRACT NO.: 1750-16779

BID DOCUMENTS: Solicitation Document is available for download at: <http://legacy.cookcountygov.com/purchasing/bids/> listAllBids.php

PRE-BID CONFERENCE DATE: April 4, 2018 at 11:00 AM

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ADVERTISEMENT DATE: Wednesday, March 21, 2018

DESCRIPTION: Invitation for Bids for Tactical Command Post (TCP) Upgrades

CONTRACT NO.: 1750-16782

BID DOCUMENTS: Solicitation Document is available for download at: <http://legacy.cookcountygov.com/purchasing/bids/> listAllBids.php

PRE-BID CONFERENCE DATE: April 4, 2018 at 12:00 PM

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ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, OFFICE OF WATER RESOURCES AND ILLINOIS COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PUBLIC NOTICE

Dr. Nader Bozorgi has applied for an IDNR/OWR Permit and an Illinois Coastal Management Program Federal Consistency Concurrence for the construction of a shore protection system, in Lake Michigan, at 1351 Westleigh Road, Lake Forest, IL. Inquiries and requests to view the complete application may be directed to Jim Casey of the IDNR/OWR's Chicago Office at (312) 793-5947 or james.casey@illinois.gov. The full application is also available at <http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/cmp/Pages/CMPFederalConsistencyRegister.aspx> or <http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/WaterResources/Pages/PublicNotices.aspx>. You are invited to send comments regarding this project to 160 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 5-703, Chicago, IL 60601 by April 19, 2018.

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You are invited to review all bid or proposal requests for any upcoming projects. All projects are available for download or pick-up. Please contact the Procurement Services Team office at 630.420.6064 if you have any questions.



NOTICE TO DISADVANTAGED BUSINESSES

Berger Excavating Contractors, Inc., 1205 Garland Rd., Wauconda, IL 60084, (847)526-5457 is seeking disadvantaged businesses for the Central Lake County IAWA West Group Water System Expansion Project Bid Package No. 3 for subcontracting opportunities in the following areas: Trucking, material suppliers, landscaping, concrete and pavement.

All disadvantaged businesses should contact, IN WRITING, (certified letter, return receipt requested), Kyle Berger to discuss the subcontracting opportunities. All negotiations must be completed prior to bid opening April 20, 2018. Berger Excavating Contractors, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Alessio & Sons Company, 936 Moen Ave, Unit 3, Rockdale, IL 61152-5513 is seeking disadvantaged businesses for the Downers Grove 2018 Water Main Contract A and Contract B for subcontracting opportunities in the following areas: Erosion Control, turf Restoration, Traffic Control, concrete, Asphalt, Striping, Tree Removal, Pavement Markings & Layout. All disadvantaged businesses should contact, IN WRITING (certified letter, return receipt requested), Jeff Young, to discuss the subcontracting opportunities. All negotiations must be completed prior to the bid opening April 6, 2018. Evaluation of proposals will be based on price and experience.

NOTICE TO DISADVANTAGED BUSINESSES

Sheridan Plumbing & Sewer, Inc., 6754 W. 74th Street, Bedford Park, Illinois, 60638, 708-475-7110 is seeking disadvantaged businesses for the Village of Downers Grove Contract A & B projects for subcontracting opportunities in the following areas: concrete curb & gutter, asphalt paving, landscaping, and traffic control. All disadvantaged businesses should contact in writing, Matthew Champagne to discuss the subcontracting opportunities. All negotiations must be completed prior to the bid openings on April 6, 2018 at 10:00 AM (Contract A) and 10:30 AM (Contract B).

NOTICE TO DISADVANTAGED BUSINESSES

Concept Plumbing Inc. 554 W Wood St. Palatine, IL 60067 847-776-6180, is seeking Disadvantaged businesses for trucking, Material & labor. Subcontracting Opportunities for contract A & B Downers Grove Water Main Replacement. All disadvantaged Businesses should contact, IN WRITING, (certified letter, return receipt requested) Mark Juliano to discuss the subcontracting Opportunities. All negotiations must be completed Prior to bid opening 4/6/2018.

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Notice is hereby given that Cicero School 99 will accept sealed lump sum trade contractor bids for the following: Cicero School District 99 Woodbine ES 2018 Mechanical Work.

Bid packages include the following: BP1-Abatement, BP2-General Trades, BP3-Steel, BP4-Mechanical, BP5-Electrical, BP6-Roofing, and BP7-Painting.

The project consists of providing all work per the Contract Documents prepared by FGM Architects Inc., 1211 W. 22nd St. Oakbrook, IL 60523, project no. 17-2404.01 and Bid Manual prepared by Vision Construction & Consulting, Inc., 1733 N. 33rd Ave. Stone Park, IL 60165, project no. 17-123. Details pertaining to the construction project are set forth in the Bid Documents available on or after 3/22/18. All bidders must procure a current set of drawings, specifications and Bid Manual from Vision Construction & Consulting, Inc. or from BHF Digital Imaging, 80 W Seegers Rd, Arlington Heights, IL 60005. Please contact BHF at 847-593-3161.

Bidders may rely only on information contained in the bid documents and provided in written addenda during this bid process, and shall not rely on any oral information or interpretation given by any representatives or agents of the Cicero School District 99, FGM Architects Inc., Engineers, Consultants or Vision Construction and Consulting, Inc.

There will be a non-mandatory Pre-Bid meeting held on 3/28/2018 at 3:00PM located at Woodbine Elementary School, 3003 50th Court Cicero, IL 60804, Door #1. Please contact Bob Orseske, 708-488-1926, email bob@visionconstruction.us for additional information. All bidders and their subs are invited to attend the pre-bid meeting.

Sealed bids will be received by Cicero School District 99, 5110 W 24th St. Cicero, IL 60804 until 4/4/2018 at 10:00 AM local prevailing time. Immediately thereafter the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. No immediate decision will be rendered. Bids will be tabulated, studied, and presented to the Owner. Contracts will be awarded, if at all, by the Cicero School District 99 at the subsequent Board meeting. All questions concerning the bid must be submitted to Vision Construction & Consulting, Inc. in writing.

All trade contractors must pay prevailing wages in accordance with DOL requirements for Cook County, Illinois.

All bidders are required to submit a bid security with their bid. The security amount shall be Ten percent (10%) of their total bid amount. The bid security may be in the form of a bid bond issued by a surety licensed to do business in the State of Illinois, a cashier's check or a certified check payable to the School District. Failure to submit a bid security may result in disqualification of a bid.

The District reserves the right to defer the award of the contract for a period not to exceed sixty (60) calendar days after the date bids are received, and to accept or reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities.

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He's a freshman.

'He's a spark plug.'

He's a bench player.

He's an energy guy.

He's averaging 4.8 points.

He's so important to this team.'

Under-the-radar **Lucas Williamson** has been a key component of Loyola's run to Sweet 16

BY SHANNON RYAN | Chicago Tribune

When Lucas Williamson committed to Loyola last April, he told reporters he could sense the Ramblers were "on the verge of doing something special."

He recently had won an IHSA Class 4A state championship with Young. Williamson wanted more.

"I'm no fortune teller," Williamson told the Tribune on Monday at Gentile Arena. "This is something you work for. I could just tell, based off (coach Porter Moser's) energy and the culture, big things were in Loyola's future." He was right.

The 11th-seeded Ramblers (30-5) will play in the NCAA tournament's Sweet 16 for the first time since 1985, facing No. 7 seed Nevada on Thursday in Atlanta.

Williamson, a 6-foot-4 freshman guard, has played an important role off the bench. His 4.8-point average doesn't indicate how he well he has played.

For instance, he forced Miami's Lonnie Walker IV to commit a crucial turnover with 23.5 seconds remaining in the Ramblers' first-round NCAA tournament upset.

Turn to **Loyola, Page 4**



NCAA TOURNAMENT | Sweet 16

No. 7 **Nevada** vs. No. 11 **Loyola**, 6:07 p.m. Thursday, CBS-2
■ Recalling Red Rush's call of 1963 Loyola title. **Page 4**

Mentor not surprised by Moser's new heights



DAVID HAUGH
In the Wake of the News

True to his personality, Porter Moser wanted to go higher.

So after Moser's freshman season at Creighton, the 6-foot-2 guard signed up for a summer class promising to increase his vertical jump.

"Porter said, 'Coach, I'm going to come back a better athlete,' and it was one of those offers purporting to teach you how to improve your jumping," said Tony Barone, Moser's mentor who coached him at Creighton from 1986 to 1990.

"We tested him when everybody got back to campus and Porter improved his jump about a quarter-inch so now you could slide two pieces of paper under his shoe when he got off the ground. We liked to tease him about that."

Barone enjoys telling that story because it underscores how Moser learned to do more with less as a player — a trait that serves him well as a coach, especially at Loyola.

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MORE NCAA

With many big names knocked out of the NCAA tournament early, Duke's Marvin Bagley has the stage — and scouts will be watching.
Plus: Oklahoma freshman Trae Young is headed to the NBA. **Page 5**

JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Kopecch has bright future, but it's not starting now



PAUL SULLIVAN
On the White Sox

The White Sox did the expected Tuesday, reassigning Michael Kopecch to minor-league camp to prepare for his season at Triple-A Charlotte.

Kopecch might have the best arm of any pitcher in camp, as evidenced by his triple-digit fastball. But he wasn't in the plans from the start and didn't do himself any favors with his final two Cactus League outings, allowing 12 runs (nine earned) in 2²/₃ innings to finish with a bloated 11.57 ERA.

Before those flops, Kopecch was

dealing and looking like the phenom everyone expected when he came from the Red Sox in the Chris Sale deal. After a poor start against the Royals, Kopecch denied that he had "hit the wall," a common malady for pitchers in spring training after cranking up their arms following a long offseason of rest.

"As far as I know, I don't have a wall," he said.

After throwing to minor-leaguers on a back field, Kopecch gave up seven runs in one-third of an inning Sunday against the A's while pitching in relief.

Manager Rick Renteria told reporters in Glendale, Ariz., that Kopecch, 21, needs to continue to develop his changeup and get more innings. Renteria also called him a "special kid" in spite of the last two appearances.

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ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Michael Kopecch will begin the 2018 season at Triple-A Charlotte but is expected to be up with the White Sox before summer arrives.

INSIDE CHICAGO SPORTS

New approach paying off so far

Cubs slugger Kyle Schwarber is focused on becoming a better ballplayer in every way. **Page 5**

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■ **Bulls:** Much-maligned Cameron Payne is taking steps toward becoming a contributor. **Page 3**

OPENING SHOT

Steve Rosenbloom
The loss to the Knicks on Monday eliminated the Bulls from the playoffs. First goal officially accomplished. More Rosenbloom, **Page 2**



TOP OF THE SECOND



STEVE ROSENBLIOM

Leadership suits Trubisky

Is Mitch Trubisky happily naive? Or is he a young quarterback displaying veteran aplomb?

I'm not sure yet, but I liked what the Bears' potential franchise quarterback had to say to Tribune football writer Rich Campbell in an exclusive sitdown last weekend, particularly the way Trubisky is embracing his star turn as that potential franchise quarterback.

He didn't appear rattled by monumental challenges of having everything built around him, starting with new coach Matt Nagy and followed by general manager Ryan Pace's shopping spree in free agency that bagged new toys in receivers Allen Robinson and Taylor Gabriel and tight end Trey Burton. The player coming off just 12 starts as a rookie last season doesn't come off scared of the idea that either he's great or an entire building gets fired.

"It just means that I have more responsibility," Trubisky said. "Everyone is looking toward me. I need to be the leader day in and day out — and I will be. I'm excited for that challenge, and I'm excited to continue to earn the trust of my teammates."

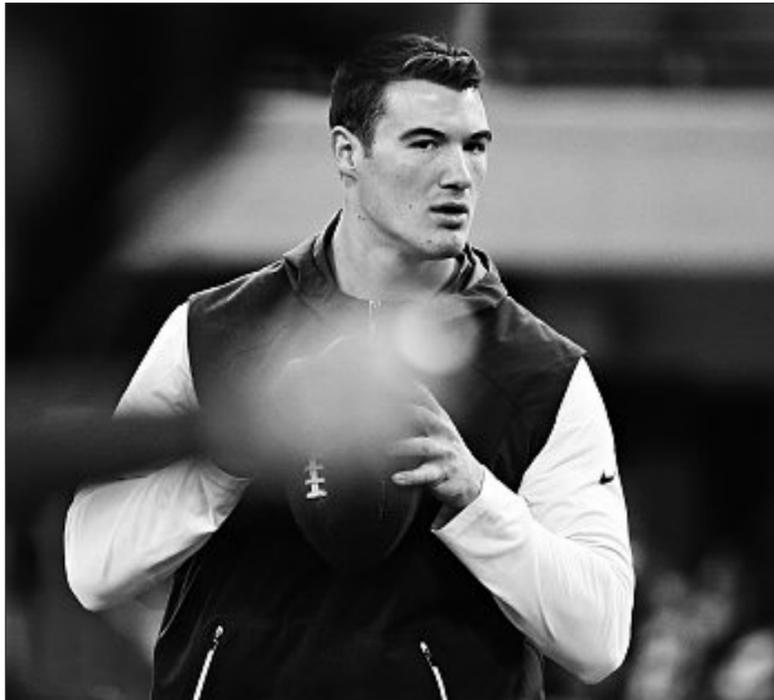
"And my teammates have told me that too. They know we're all in this together, and I have their backs. It's not me being possessive. It's: 'I'm a leader and this is our team, and it's all about the Chicago Bears and this great organization.' I couldn't be more excited. I feel like I learned a lot from last year that's going to help carry over into this year. Obviously, one person can't do it alone."

Trubisky isn't mealy-mouthed. He's not defaulting to "We're all leaders in our own way." He wants the weight of the most important position in sports.

"I have big expectations and big plans for this team," he said. "I'm going to have a bunch of help with these new guys coming in, with Nagy and his staff. We've just got a lot of offensive wisdom that came into the building. So I'm very fortunate."

You could argue Trubisky should say nothing less, and that's a point for you. Maybe I'm reading too much into his words because they're coming out of the mouth of hope instead of the mouth of Jay Cutler or Mike Glennon. But it still sounds like Trubisky knows everybody's watching and he's making himself at home in that.

Trubisky's play last year showed no signs that he was intimidated or overmatched. If



STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

"I need to be the leader day in and day out — and I will be," Bears QB Mitch Trubisky said.

anything, judging by some of his words last year, he wanted to do more than deposed coach John Fox would allow. Under Nagy, it looks like it will be all Trubisky can eat. He'll get the chances he talked about wanting last year and the responsibility he's talking about embracing this year.

I only wish Trubisky had talked about the next step: making the playoffs. This year, I mean.

I wish he had said he expects that too. I realize that looks daunting for a team Pace has stocked with last-place players and coaches in each of his three years. But it's time. It seems as if half of any year's playoff teams didn't make the postseason the year before. We've been waiting to see the Bears do that. When it comes to going from worst to first, the Bears only have the "worst" part down cold.

Maybe it's me, but the Bears need to make the playoffs, and I think they need to

say it. I think the quarterback needs to say it. I haven't heard the new coach nor the old general manager say it, and I don't know why. I know the division became better, but so did the Bears. Stevie Sunshine is trying to give them some credit here. The Bears don't have to love me back, but can they give me some courtesy playoff talk? That's the first step toward winning a Super Bowl, which is the object of the exercise.

It seems like it would mean something if Trubisky said it. Trubisky has met every other expectation willingly — with enthusiasm for the chance to play, without complaint about being all dressed up with no place to throw. That part just changed. So should the quarterback's narrative. Playoffs, boys. Follow me.

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THE LINEUP

Look who's talking now



John Fox's parachute out of Chicago has guided him to ESPN. The former Bears coach, fired in January, will be an NFL analyst for the network, a source confirmed.

That Fox, 63, would join the media is quite a twist, considering he never warmed to media in three seasons in Chicago. He alienated local reporters with a determination to answer questions as vaguely as possible in the name of preserving a competitive advantage.

The Bears went 14-34 in his three seasons and finished in last place in the NFC North each year.

Fox, a head coach for the last 16 seasons with the Panthers, Broncos and Bears, has coached in the NFL in some capacity every year since 1989. He's expected to be a studio analyst for ESPN. *Rich Campbell*

Sparking a new venture



Former Dolphins running back **Ricky Williams** has launched his own marijuana brand, Real Wellness by Ricky Williams, calling it his dream to merge his interest in healing

and plant medicines into a business.

"I am known as a professional football player," Williams said in a phone interview. "In the last 14 years, I have been educating myself and training as a health care practitioner."

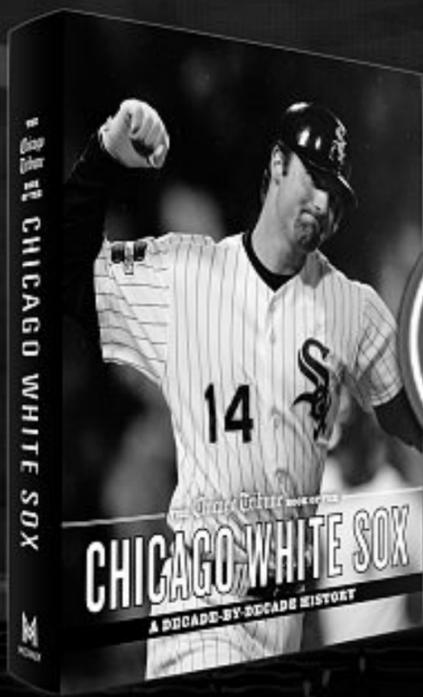
Williams, 40, said he thought the timing was right for his own brand because marijuana use is decriminalized in California, where he lives. The longtime marijuana advocate was in the news when he tweeted about a cannabis-friendly Super Bowl party he hosted at a residence in the Hollywood Hills.

"It was a fun experience, a healing experience and a networking experience," he said. "And we were treated to a very good game." *Sun Sentinel*

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Anton Forsberg looks up at the video board after giving up one of the Avalanche's five goals Tuesday night.

Over and out

Fourth straight loss officially locks Blackhawks out of playoffs

BY PAUL SKRBINA
Chicago Tribune

A year ago Monday, the Blackhawks became the first NHL team to clinch a postseason berth.

Their season died soon after, when they were eliminated in the first round for the second year in a row.

Math suggested the playoffs still were a possibility going into Tuesday night's game against the Avalanche, but it was a notion reality long ago had abandoned. A victory, really, would do nothing but postpone the dashing of post-season dreams that were realized the previous nine years.

For better or for worse — and much of this season has been for worse — the Hawks have known the score for some time, promising to try to play spoiler.

But they failed to even do that against the Avalanche at the United Center. Despite scoring first for the 27th time in their last 36 games, that was all the Hawks could muster against the top wild-card team in the Western Conference as they suffered their fourth straight defeat, 5-1.

The loss officially eliminated the Hawks from playoff contention.

After Brent Seabrook's first-period goal, the Avalanche answered with three in the second period, two of them on the power play. The Avalanche added two goals in the final 1 minute, 56 seconds of the game, one of those being an empty-net score.

With just a handful of games remaining, motivation has to come from somewhere. That somewhere mostly is within the guys who pull the sweaters over their heads every day.

"We don't want to come out and

PAUL SKRBINA'S THREE STARS

- 1. Mikko Rantanen, Avalanche:** Had a goal and an assist.
- 2. Semyon Varlamov, Avalanche:** Made 44 saves.
- 3. Tyson Barrie, Avalanche:** Had a goal and an assist.

Up next: Vs. Canucks, 7:30 p.m. Thursday; NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720.

lay eggs every night," Hawks center Nick Schmaltz said. "You got to (go hard) for 82 games.

"Whether the games are important or not, (we) have to come to the rink knowing it's big for us. We take pride in this team."

This season began with promise. Brandon Saad returned and the Hawks won 10-1 against the two-time defending Stanley Cup champion Penguins on opening night, but things quickly changed.

"It's a different position — we all know that," Patrick Kane said. "It's not a fun one.

"We look back at last season and think about losing in the first round. That was tough, (but) to not get in the playoffs at all is even tougher. (We) try not to think about that too much. ... (We'll) try to finish the season strong and try to regroup after that."

But the more the Hawks' fortunes have changed, the more other things have remained constant, if only a little amplified.

Faced with the prospect of his first losing season in 21 behind an NHL bench, Hawks coach Joel Quenneville has given some of his younger players more ice time. The second-winningest coach in league history has stuck to his script of changing lines, more out of necessity for the future than success in the present.

"He's been pretty similar," Kane said. "His preparation is still the same. He's still trying to win every game. That's (also) where the team is at. I don't think I've seen too much of a change.

THE SUMMARY

Colorado 5, Blackhawks 1

Colorado, Kerfoot 17 (Warszowski, Bourque), 19:03.

Penalties: Barrie, Colo (slashing), 0:25.

Jost, Colo (hooking), 8:50.

Zadorov, Colo (roughing), 19:56.

SHOTS ON GOAL: Colorado 16, 15, 9-40; Blackhawks 11, 15, 19-45.

Goals: Colorado, Varlamov 22-14-6 (45 shots-44 saves).

BLACKHAWKS, Forsberg 9-15-3 (39-35). A: 21,401.

Referee: Ghislain Herbert, Brad Meier.

Linesmen: Bryan Panich, Brian Mach

"If certain guys, myself included, need to pick it up, he's going ... to let you know. That's a good thing."

So too is constant change in the midst of what has been a miserable season as far as Quenneville is concerned.

On Tuesday, he put emergency call-up Andreas Martinsen on the second line with Nick Schmaltz and Vinnie Hinostroza. Rookie and recent call-up Matthew Highmore had been playing there until he was hurt during the team's previous game Sunday.

And Quenneville more than likely will continue to tinker for the final eight games of the season.

"You don't mind trying things, whether it's younger guys in different situations (or) whether they're out there at the end of a game with a lead," he said.

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BULLS

Payne is finally finding correct fit

New shoes, updated roster provide better match for Bulls guard

BY K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

Cameron Payne sat with his feet in a bucket of ice, finally acknowledging the mental hurdle he had to overcome to play without fear on a fifth metatarsal bone he has broken thrice and had surgically repaired twice.

Assist, Paul George. "I've been changing shoes, trying to find the right shoes to wear," Payne said. "I found a pair. I'm wearing Paul George's (model) now. They feel good and my foot actually feels really good. I'm not even thinking about my foot anymore. So that's a plus."

So, too, has been Payne's play — literally. Before his rough outing on Monday in New York, the Bulls had a plus-5.8 net rating in Payne's time on the floor.

Granted, after missing the season's first 57 games following his latest surgery, it's a small sample size of 13 games and 271 minutes.

Another qualifier is that Payne's play last season set the bar low enough to demand a limbo contest.

But Payne has taken advantage of his rotational turn and a roster more suited to his strengths to look, if not like the former lottery pick he was, at least like a viable backup point guard.

"I'm absolutely proud of it. I just gotta keep it up," Payne said. "I have to keep showing people I belong. Everybody had their opinions of me already. It's tough to change someone's opinion. As long as I keep doing what's asked of me, keep trying to win games and getting my teammates involved, I'll be good."

Payne is averaging 8.2 points, 3.9 assists, 2.4 rebounds and 1.2 turnovers in 20.8 minutes. He'll make his third straight start on Wednesday against the Nuggets as Kris Dunn continues to battle turf toe.

"People think I'm a scorer first but I feel I've run the team well since Kris went out, getting people involved," Payne said. "Making the offense and all my guys look good, that's my job. I feel like I've been doing that."

Payne didn't fit well last season in an offense in which Rajon Rondo pushed him off the ball and Dwyane Wade and Jimmy Butler preferred isolation over playing with pace. That isn't a ringing endorsement of Payne's adaptability, particularly since the Bulls crept into the playoffs.

But with the rebuild rolling on next season, there's a spot for



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"Making the offense and all my guys look good, that's my job," Bulls guard Cameron Payne said.

NUGGETS AT BULLS

TV/radio: 7 p.m. Wednesday; NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670.
Storylines: The Bulls lost Nov. 30 in Denver when Will Barton capped his 37-point night with a last-second basket to negate Kris Dunn's go-ahead hoop. The Nuggets, who lost in double-OT on Monday in Miami, are among Western Conference teams fighting for playoff spots.
Trending: The Bulls have lost four straight in the series. ... The Bulls bench has outscored opponents' reserves in nine straight games.

Payne if he continues to take advantage of playing in Fred Hoiberg's preferred system.

"I like playing fast. So we complement each other," Payne said of Hoiberg. "He wants to play fast. I want to play fast. Anytime, whether it's a made or missed basket, I try to get it out as quickly as I can. I feel that's the easiest way to score. Instead of getting in the half-court, you get it up quick and we always got numbers."

Payne is posting numbers, too. He had his first career double-double in Saturday's loss to the Cavaliers.

"We've been really happy with Cam," Hoiberg said. "He's doing a great job of spraying the ball ahead. His attack has been really solid. He's getting into the paint, making good plays. And he's shooting with a lot of confidence."

"Defensively, he's battling pretty much full-time. He's getting up (full-court). He's getting in better shape. And you can tell his timing is coming back after taking almost a full year off."

Payne said he still needs work defensively. Maybe George's shoes can help him.

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BULLS NOTES

LaVine wants to play, but Hoiberg is cautious

BY K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

With the Bulls competing for draft lottery position and not the playoffs, other key players sitting, being just 13 months removed from left ACL surgery and contract negotiations upcoming, there are myriad — and millions, when it comes to the latter — reasons **Zach LaVine** has missed the last two games with minor tendinitis in his left knee.

LaVine, who practiced in at least the non-contact portions Tuesday, admitted the decision isn't only his.

"I think it might be collective," LaVine said, chuckling. "I hope it is at least."

That's because, lost season or not, LaVine wants to play.

"There are still some games to get in a rhythm before getting into the offseason and working out," LaVine said.

Coach **Fred Hoiberg** agreed with LaVine's desire to play, reiterating there's value despite the team's record.

"If he feels good, we want him back," Hoiberg said. "If there is any concern at all, we'll take the cautious approach and continue with the plan as it is."

LaVine is almost certain to sit again Wednesday against the Nuggets. Hoiberg declared **Kris Dunn** out, and Dunn wore a walking boot to protect turf toe in his right big toe as he watched practice.

Like LaVine, **Lauri Markkanen** (back) participated in at least the non-contact portions of

practice, and his playing status will be determined Wednesday.

Taking stock: LaVine has averaged 16.7 points in 27.3 minutes on 38.3 percent shooting over 24 games.

"I've had parts where I've been frustrated and I've had parts where I've been happy with my play and the team's play," LaVine said. "I didn't have any expectations really coming into it. I was excited to get back on the court. It's been good overall just from the standpoint of playing and getting my rhythm back, getting with the team."

Hoiberg acknowledged LaVine's inconsistency while also praising the initial momentum his offense provided even while on a 20-minute limit. Hoiberg also called LaVine out-dueling **Jimmy Butler** in the fourth quarter of a home victory over the Timberwolves "as good a performance as we've had all year from any individual player."

But the fact both Hoiberg and LaVine keep pointing to the offseason shows how limited the expectations are.

"I know he's looking forward to a summer to hopefully get that rhythm back," Hoiberg said. "And we are as well."

Layups: Gary Harris, whom the Bulls drafted for the Nuggets in the **Doug McDermott** 2014 draft-day trade, leads the Nuggets with 17.7 points per game. ... **Antonio Blakeney** has scored in double figures in three straight games.

BLACKHAWKS NOTES

Hawks make quick use of Martinsen

BY PAUL SKRBINA
Chicago Tribune

His before-dawn flight from Des Moines, Iowa, felt as if it lasted longer than his mid-morning cab ride from the airport to the United Center.

But **Andreas Martinsen**, the first Norwegian to play for the Blackhawks, isn't complaining.

The newest Hawk was recalled from Rockford overnight and made it to Chicago in time to participate in the team's morning skate Tuesday ahead of its game against the Avalanche. Martinsen also learned quickly the Hawks' ways when he took the mandatory lap around the ice after he was last to the team huddle during the skate.

Coach **Joel Quenneville** penciled in Martinsen on the second line with **Nick Schmaltz** and

Vinnie Hinostroza for what was his fourth game in five nights. During his first shift he pasted Avalanche defenseman **Nikita Zadorov** along the boards.

"It was right after the game," Martinsen said of receiving the call to join the Hawks. "It's exciting news. You can switch it on pretty quick. It shouldn't be a problem."

Going into Tuesday, Martinsen, 27, had seven goals and 11 assists in 119 NHL games spanning two seasons and two teams. The Hawks acquired him Oct. 4 from the Canadiens for **Kyle Baun**.

Martinsen played 110 games with the Avalanche after going undrafted. The 6-foot-3, 229-pound forward has 12 goals and 14 assists in 61 games with the IceHogs this season.

Crawford update: Quenneville

said injured goalie **Corey Crawford** has been working out off the ice but hasn't skated. With eight games left after Tuesday, his return this season is unlikely.

"We'll see on that," Quenneville said. "He's been doing some work in the gym and pushing himself, seeing how close he can be to getting back here."

Crawford hasn't played since Dec. 23 because of what has been reported as a concussion-related injury.

One-timers: Quenneville said forward **Anthony Duclair**, who has right since suffering a right leg/foot injury March 10 against the Bruins, "isn't close to skating." Duclair was originally expected to miss up to two weeks. ... **Matthew Highmore** remains day to day after leaving Sunday's game after a crash into the boards.

NCAA TOURNAMENT

Bright lights on Duke's Bagley

Blue Devils' star shows he's ready to be part of winning team in NBA

BY ROMAN STUBBS
Washington Post

Marvin Bagley III's candidacy as the potential top pick in the NBA draft remains up for debate, but one thing is certain: He will not have to compete for exposure this week.

As Duke coasted to a pair of NCAA tournament wins last weekend to advance to a Midwest Region semifinal against Syracuse on Friday in Omaha, Neb., Bagley became the last elite prospect standing.

Arizona 7-footer DeAndre Ayton, considered the favorite to be the No. 1 pick, bowed out when Buffalo stunned the Wildcats in the first round. By the time the second round wrapped up Sunday, Oklahoma's Trae Young, Texas' Mohamed Bamba, Missouri's Michael Porter Jr., Michigan State's Jaren Jackson Jr. and Alabama's Collin Sexton — all projected lottery picks — were gone from the stage.

That those players will not be a part of deep postseason runs doesn't necessarily hurt their draft stock, but Bagley serves to benefit by extending his college career a little longer. He has yet to formally announce his plans for after this season, but after averaging 22 points and eight rebounds in wins over Iona and Rhode Island, he bought himself more time in college basketball's brightest spotlight to prove why he should be viewed as the top player in the draft.

"I think it will help him. The further you go in the NCAA tournament, the more opportunities people get to see you," said ESPN draft analyst Jonathan Givony, who pegged Ayton as the top pick and Bagley at No. 3 in his most recent mock draft. "If you play well, it definitely can't hurt you. NBA teams like guys who are proven and who can contribute to winning."

The next-most-coveted draft prospect remaining in the field might be Bagley's freshman teammate, Wendell Carter, but Bagley is the headliner.

While Ayton's performance

against Buffalo raised red flags, specifically regarding his defensive effort, the 6-foot-11, 243-pound Bagley has burnished his stock in March as a positionless big man who can score with his back to the basket and also run the floor and produce devastating finishes.

He has also displayed growing maturity and restraint despite serving as the centerpiece of Duke's offense; he didn't take a shot during the first 11 minutes of the second-round rout of Rhode Island but dominated the game with 22 points on 8-for-10 shooting, which included a memorable spin move in the lane that put his team up 17.

"Everybody was on, so I wasn't really focused on getting my shot," Bagley said. "And as long as it says two points with Duke, that's all that matters."

Said Duke guard Grayson Allen: "He runs the court so well, and it really opens up a lot for us in transition, whether he gets the ball or not. Because someone has to get down there and guard him, and that's why we get 3s."

Therein lies why Bagley is such an enticing prospect for NBA teams; he doesn't fit into any traditional category and has shown deep versatility.

His offensive production has not dropped off since his return after missing four games in February with a knee injury. In five games in March, he's averaging 23.4 points on 66.2 percent field-goal shooting and 12.2 rebounds.

While the fact Bagley has statistically carried the Blue Devils in the postseason bodes well for his readiness to contribute right away at the next level, that's not necessarily the case for the rest of the potential lottery picks who exited early.

"NBA teams need to look at that as these guys aren't probably going to help me win that many games either," Givony said. "These guys aren't ready to impact winning at the college level, so it definitely speaks to their readiness to help NBA teams do the same thing."

"There aren't that many guys from last year's draft who are playing big roles on playoff teams. That's a trend that we've seen a lot over the last two years."

COLLEGE BASKETBALL NOTES

Later, Sooner: Young declares for NBA draft

Tribune news services

Oklahoma star **Trae Young** is leaving for the NBA after a standout freshman season that ended with him leading the nation in scoring and assists.

The 6-foot-2 Young averaged 27.4 points and 8.7 assists this season, and many projections have him going early in the first round of the June 21 draft. He announced the move on Twitter and posted the reasons for his decision on ESPN early Tuesday, saying he was ready to put in the work needed to play in the NBA.

"I know there will be doubts again as I prepare for the draft. I don't pretend to be ready to play in the NBA today, but I am determined to do what I've always done: invest in the work to prepare for the league and the incredible challenges it presents," he wrote.

Fellow Big 12 star, Texas freshman forward **Mohamed Bamba** also declared for the NBA draft.

The 6-11 Bamba averaged nearly 13 points and 11 rebounds per game. He also set a Texas single-season record for blocks with 111.

Penn State advances in NIT: Lamar Stevens tied his career high with 30 points and **Tony Carr** added 25 on Tuesday night as visiting Penn State beat Marquette 85-80 in an NIT quarterfinal.

Stevens hit three crucial buckets in the final three minutes, including a dunk off an alley-oop pass from **Josh Reaves** as the Nittany Lions (24-13) took an eight-point lead with one minute left. The 6-foot-8 Stevens then maneuvered through a couple Marquette players to secure a rebound off **Andrew Rowsey's** missed 3 with 46 seconds left.

Rowsey scored 29 points for the Golden Eagles (21-14).

Penn State will play Mississippi State, who routed host



Young

Louisville 79-56, in the semifinals at Madison Square Garden in New York on March 27.

Quindary Weatherspoon had 19 points and 14 rebounds to lead the Bulldogs (26-11). **Ray Spalding's** 16 points and 11 rebounds led the Cardinals (22-

15).

Azubuike update: Kansas coach **Bill Self** said conditioning will determine how many minutes sophomore center **Udoka Azubuike** will play against Clemson in Friday's regional semifinal.

Azubuike played 22 minutes in the second-round win over Seton Hall on Saturday after spraining the medial collateral ligament in his left knee March 6.

"I think it's strictly conditioning," Self said Tuesday afternoon on **Jim Rome's** national radio show, meaning the better condition Azubuike's in, the more he'll play.

"He practiced Friday. That was the first time he had done anything. Even on Thursday, when he played in the game, he hadn't practiced. He hadn't broken a sweat. He hadn't done anything. That's one reason why we limited him. We practiced him Friday. He played Saturday. He didn't get that sore (from playing)."

Layups: The NCAA ruled that Auburn F **Danjel Purifoy** must sit out the first 30 percent of next season before returning. Both Purifoy and C **Austin Wiley** missed all of the Tigers' run to a share of the SEC regular-season championship and the NCAA tournament. Former Auburn assistant coach **Chuck Person** has been charged with accepting bribes and funneling some of that money to the families of Wiley and Purifoy. ... Iowa announced G **Brady Ellingson** and F **Ahmad Wagner** are leaving the program.

CUBS



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Kyle Schwarber has had good reason to smile during spring training as his improvement in both hitting and defense has been readily apparent.

Looking more like his old self

Schwarber's play this spring reminiscent of his performance in '16

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — As opening day draws near, Kyle Schwarber isn't about to address specifics, such as whether he would like to get more at-bats against left-handed pitchers.

"I'll take the at-bats as I get them," Schwarber said. "When they come, I take them head-on. No mental break."

Schwarber realizes the progress he has made at the plate and in the field this spring means little until the Cubs open the season March 29 against the Marlins in Miami. But the return of his keen batting eye, a more compact swing and speed on the bases have resurrected optimism similar to two years ago following an auspicious rookie season.

"I don't think he's there yet," assistant hitting coach Andy Haines said. "I think he'd admit that, but he just looks like himself. He had to learn some things the hard way, and he has."

"We're proud of him, excited for him and the challenges ahead. There will be some ups and downs, but we think they will be a lot less extreme and we really see what he's put into (it) as far as being himself."

Haines accompanied the Cubs' split squad to Las Vegas over the weekend but read the box score from Sunday's game at Sloan Park and quickly saw that Schwarber drew two walks against the Royals. Regaining command of the strike zone has been just as important to Schwarber's re-

bound as his batting average.

Team officials believe he became more of a slugger than a hitter as his struggles grew more acute in 2017. Schwarber batted .171 in 64 games before a brief demotion to Triple-A Iowa on June 22.

"I just want to put the barrel on the ball," said Schwarber, who in his three at-bats against the Reds on Monday night ripped a single, lined into a double play and batted back from being down 0-2 in the count to draw a walk.

"When I do that, good things happen. It doesn't have to be a home run; it can be a hard-hit single, double or walk. I feel things have been going well at the plate (by) being able to work with our hitting coaches (and) nailing down a few other things."

Schwarber's overall improvement was most noticeable Saturday when he lined a triple down the right-field line off the Indians' Trevor Bauer. Schwarber's dramatic weight loss this winter paid off as he ran the bases quickly and reached third without laboring.

"That's the goal of the whole offseason: to get better," Schwarber said. "The hitting is there, and (it's good) being able to run the bases better and in the field too."

Aside from breaking late on a fly he ultimately caught in the third game, Schwarber has tracked down balls with ease in left field.

"I don't even think there's been one (difficult) ball," he said. "Everything has gone solid out there (with me) making the plays, but I'm trying to get better. That's why I'm out there with Will (Venable) and our other guys doing drills."

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BASEBALL NOTES

Turner won't need surgery on wrist

Tribune news services

Dodgers third baseman **Justin Turner's** broken left wrist is expected to heal without surgery, according to manager **Dave Roberts**. Turner was hurt Monday when hit by a pitch from A's RHP **Kendall Graveman**.

Turner arrived at the Dodgers' spring training facility with a cast over his wrist Tuesday morning and was scheduled to see a hand specialist for an estimate of the time he could miss.

"We know that it's not a surgery thing, it's just essentially time," Roberts said. "That's the initial thought. That could change but that's what I've heard."

Turner hit .322 with 21 homers and 71 RBIs last year and was a first-time All-Star. He had 14 RBIs in the postseason, including seven against the Cubs in the NL Championship Series, when he was voted MVP.

The Dodgers appear poised to move **Logan Forsythe** from second base to third in Turner's absence and have **Enrique Hernandez** and **Chase Utley** share time at second.

"It obviously makes a lot of sense to have Logan over there a lot more at third, and to kind of put together some guys at second base, and leave **Chris (Taylor)** in center field," Roberts said.

Backup C **Austin Barnes** also could see time at second base.



MATT YORK/AP

The Dodgers said third baseman Justin Turner won't need surgery on his broken left wrist.

Jays start with Happ: LHP **J.A. Happ** will start opening day. Manager **John Gibbons** said Tuesday that the 35-year-old will face the Yankees and RHP **Luis Severino** on March 29. Happ went 10-11 with a 3.53 ERA in 25 starts last season. He will face a Yankees lineup that could see **Aaron Judge**, **Giancarlo Stanton** and **Gary Sanchez** hit 2-3-4.

Straily out 5-6 days: RHP **Dan Straily** has mild right forearm inflammation and will not throw for five or six days, raising the possibility his first start of the season will be delayed. Straily,

CUBS NOTES

When at 1st, he hopes to succeed

Maddon experiments with using Zobrist as backup to Rizzo

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — From **Ben Zobrist** to **Willson Contreras**, the Cubs still have plenty of time to polish their defensive skills.

In one of the finishing touches of spring training, Zobrist, 36, started working at first base as manager **Joe Maddon** explores the possibility of using his superutility player there when **Anthony Rizzo** needs a break. And Maddon wants Zobrist, who is working with infield/third-base coach **Brian Butterfield**, to become familiar with all facets of the position, not just catching throws from his infielders.

"It's not about (catching and throwing but) where do I go on cutoffs, relays and bunt defense?" Maddon said. "Those are the things. If you haven't done it before, that's the uncomfortable part. If you never have read that road map, it can be difficult."

Zobrist has played 23 career games at first and hasn't started a game there since 2010.

Meanwhile, staff ace **Jon Lester** reminded reporters late Monday that Contreras remains in the learning stages as a catcher after starting his professional career as an infielder.

"He's a really good defensive catcher and halfway decent hitter as well," Lester joked. "He's still learning a new position and learning at the big-league level. A lot of these catchers in the big leagues have caught their whole lives. He's trying to play catch-up and done an unbelievable job with the defensive side, the game-calling (and) dealing with the staff."

"A young guy dealing with a staff is a hard thing to do, and he's done a great job with that in a short time. These guys are good right now, and the sky is the limit as they ... learn and mature and get games under their belt."

Contreras threw out two runners on steal attempts Monday.

Hendricks scratched: **Kyle Hendricks** was scratched from his minor-league start Tuesday because of strep throat. Building up innings isn't a major concern because Hendricks threw six in his previous start Thursday and is scheduled to pitch once more before facing the Marlins in the second game of the season March 30.

who tied for the NL lead with 33 starts last year, had been scheduled to pitch in the Marlins' second game March 30 against the Cubs. He complained of arm stiffness and had an MRI that revealed the inflammation. His ailment further muddles the Marlins' uncertain rotation.

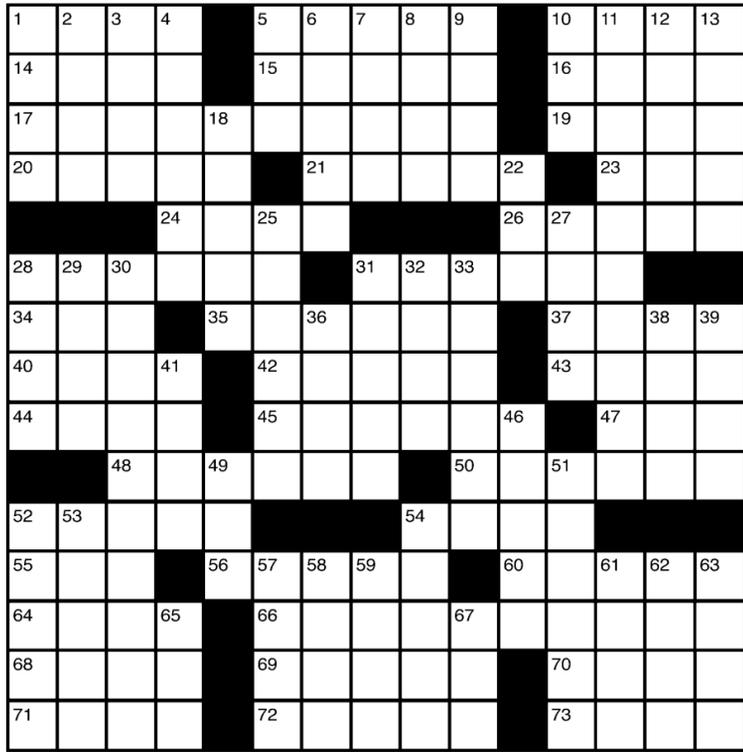
Dodgers add Gibson seat: The Dodgers will pay tribute to one of baseball's most celebrated home runs by introducing a "**Kirk Gibson seat**" at Dodger Stadium.

The seat will be added in the right field pavilion at the spot where Gibson's game-ending homer landed in the 1988 World Series opener. The chair will be painted blue and feature Gibson's signature.

Tickets will cost \$300 for a package that includes a companion seat, two commemorative T-shirts and food and drink. The Dodgers will donate \$200 from each purchase to the Kirk Gibson Foundation to raise money and awareness for Parkinson's research — Gibson announced in 2015 that he has Parkinson's.

Extra innings: RHP **Clayton Kershaw** and the Royals have finalized a minor-league contract. The two-time All-Star would get a \$1.5 million, one-year deal if added to the 40-man roster. ... LHP **Brett Anderson** and the A's agreed on a minor-league contract.

Crossword



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ACROSS

- 1 Close
- 5 Uneasiness
- 10 Doesn't ___ for; dislikes
- 14 Hefner or Downs
- 15 Sudsy
- 16 Kitchen appliance
- 17 Unproven charge
- 19 Walk the floor
- 20 City leader
- 21 Opposite of "exit"
- 23 Piña colada ingredient
- 24 ___ the riot act to; bawl out
- 26 ___ as an ape
- 28 Attorney
- 31 Valiant
- 34 Very late bedtime
- 35 Submissive
- 37 Not stiff; floppy
- 40 Part of a wineglass
- 42 Monastery dwellers
- 43 Fly high
- 44 Laundry soap
- 45 Misbehaves
- 47 ___, dos, tres...
- 48 Dorothy's home
- 50 Team defeats

DOWN

- 1 Counterfeit
- 2 Wahine's dance
- 3 Hideous
- 4 TV's "The Big Bang ___"
- 5 Happy ___ clam
- 6 Famous
- 7 Put on weight
- 8 Blemish
- 9 Actress Daly
- 10 Police officer dwellers
- 11 Greedy
- 12 Happen again
- 13 Foe
- 18 Selfish desire
- 22 Greek letter
- 25 Fragrances
- 27 Has a bug

Solutions



- 28 Unable to find the way home
- 29 Against
- 30 Roundup or a similar product
- 31 ___ at; implies
- 32 Forest animals
- 33 Outcome
- 36 Comic Imogene
- 38 Lion's neck hair
- 39 Major leaguers
- 41 Cruel
- 46 Doggy
- 49 Just purchased
- 51 Turn the wheel abruptly
- 52 Social group
- 53 Island greeting
- 54 Circle or oval
- 57 Ridicules
- 58 Yarn
- 59 Noisy bird
- 61 Speaker's platform
- 62 Letters asking for urgency
- 63 ___ on; have confidence in
- 65 Comfy room
- 67 ___ person; apiece

WHITE SOX

Kopech's future bright, but it isn't starting now

Sullivan, from Page 1

"Unfortunately, we won't see him right away, but hopefully (it'll be) sooner rather than later," Renteria said. "He's a pretty impressive young pitcher."

When Kopech will come up is anyone's guess, though fifth starter Carson Fulmer didn't exactly dominate in spring training either and needs to be more consistent to hold on to that spot.

It would make sense for the Sox to wait until mid-May because that would delay the start of Kopech's service-time clock and keep him away from the chilly Midwestern spring. If he remains in Charlotte into June, then something is amiss.

The Sox need Kopech to pitch to his capabilities in Charlotte and earn a quick call-up for several reasons. He not only is a key to the rebuild, but he also has the personality to become one of their more marketable players. The Sox need a gate attraction, and Kopech and top outfield prospect Eloy Jimenez have the potential to draw fans to 35th and Shields.

There is nothing quite like that moment in a ballpark when the scoreboard shows a pitch registering at 100 mph. Everyone at Wrigley Field immediately glanced at the video boards after each Aroldis Chapman pitch in 2016, oohing and aahing at the triple-digit numbers.

Kopech assuredly will do that as soon as he hits the majors. One betting site already has a prop bet on which pitcher will throw the fastest pitch of the 2018 season, listing Kopech at 4-1 odds behind the Yankees' Chapman (2-1) and the Red Sox's Joe Kelly (3-1).

The fastest pitch recorded in the majors, according to baseballsavant.com, was 105 mph by Chapman in 2010. Kopech reportedly threw a 105 mph fastball in 2016 at Class A Salem in the Red Sox organization. Every time he pitches he has a chance to make history.

It won't mean anything if he can't develop the changeup and lacks control, but few scouts doubt Kopech will be able to make it in the majors and eventually dominate.

It's a shame he can't learn on the job at the major-league level, as pitchers were allowed to do back in the day. I can still recall the excitement surrounding 19-year-old Terry Forster's arrival with the Sox in 1971 despite having virtually no minor-league experience.

A second-round draft pick in 1970, Forster pitched only 10 games at Class A Appleton that year, recording a 1.33 ERA.



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Although Michael Kopech is considered a future ace for the White Sox, he struggled in his last two outings of the spring.

He made the Sox out of spring training in '71, figured things out quickly and was a reliable closer in '72 at 20, posting 29 saves with a 2.25 ERA in what's fondly remembered as the "Dick Allen season."

Emboldened by Forster's early success, the Sox brought up 20-year-old reliever Rich "Goose" Gossage in '72 after he went 18-2 as a starter at Appleton the previous season.

Gossage became the Sox's closer in '75, kick-starting a Hall of Fame career. He and Forster were dealt to the Pirates for Richie Zisk after the '76 season as part of owner Bill Veeck's "rent-a-player" scheme that provided one wild season in '77 and a whole lot of losing shortly thereafter.

That was a different era, obviously, and expecting teams to operate as if it were 1972 is crazy. Most teams now prefer their prospects get more time in the minors, which makes perfect sense.

Sale was the exception to the rule, coming up to the Sox two months after being drafted in 2010 despite only 11 appearances at Class A Winston-Salem and Charlotte.

Of course, he was a "special kid" as well.

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The folks who brought us Reddi-wip whipped cream had another brainstorm in the 1960s: Reddi-Bacon.

10 Things You Might Not Know About Nearly Everything contains a plethora of tidbits and trivia that will appeal to everyone, from history buffs to sports fans to foodies. From lighthearted topics such as misspellings and extreme eating, to serious subjects such as WWII and prison, this book leaves readers brighter and wittier than ever before.

FACT #84
A cardigan worn by a man is sometimes called a mandigan.

FACT #147
When someone uses chitchat, noises, or mannerisms to distract or mislead an opponent during poker or another game, it's called "coffeehousing."

FACT #178
Genophobia is the fear of knees.

FACT #238
Actress Marilyn Monroe colored her hair using a shade of blond called dirty pillow slip.

FACT #279
Before Sir Thomas More was beheaded in 1535, he moved his lengthy beard aside, saying it "had never committed any treason."

FACT #302
Tweety Bird, the animated Looney Tunes character, was originally pink. But censors complained that Tweety looked naked, so animators gave the bird yellow feathers.

FACT #408
Joe Charbonneau, a Belvedere, Ill., native, who played outfield for the Cleveland Indians in the early '80s, used to open beer bottles with his eye socket and drink beer through a straw in his nose.

FACT #459
When actor Clint Eastwood ran for mayor of Carmel, California, in 1986, a major issue was ice cream. Town leaders had banned the sale of ice cream cones, incensing Eastwood and his supporters. They won and overturned the ordinance.

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CALENDAR

TEAM	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
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	EXH SD 3:05 NBCSCH	EXH @ARI 8:40	EXH SEA 3:05 AM-720	EXH @LAD 2:05	EXH MIL, 2 NBCSCH AM-720	EXH @CHA 5:05 NBCSCH	
	DEN NBCSCH AM-670		MIL 7 NBCSCH AM-670	@DET 6 NBCSCH AM-670			@HOU 7 WGN-9 AM-670
		VAN 7:30 NBCSCH AM-720		@NYI 5 WGN-9 AM-720			SJ 7:30 NBCSCH AM-720
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WEDNESDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB EXHIBITION

Noon	Astros at Nationals	ESPN2
3:05 p.m.	Cubs at Rangers	MLBN
3:05 p.m.	Padres at White Sox	NBCSCH

COLLEGE BASEBALL

5:30 p.m.	Pittsburgh at Penn State	BTN
NBA		
6 p.m.	Raptors at Cavaliers	ESPN
7 p.m.	Nuggets at Bulls	NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670
8:30 p.m.	Wizards at Spurs	ESPN

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL: NIT QUARTERFINALS

6 p.m.	Oklahoma State vs. Western Ky.	ESPN2
8 p.m.	Utah vs. St. Mary's	ESPN2

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL: D2 SEMIFINALS

6 p.m.	Central Mo. vs. Union (Tenn.)	CBSSN
8:30 p.m.	Ashland (Ohio) vs. Indiana (Pa.)	CBSSN

WOMEN'S CURLING

1 p.m.	U.S. vs. China	NBCSN
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GOLF

1 p.m.	WGC Dell Match Play	Golf Channel
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NHL

7 p.m.	Bruins at Blues	NBCSN
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TENNIS

10 a.m.	ATP/WTA Miami Open	Tennis Channel (more, 6 p.m.)
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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL: SPRING TRAINING

RECORDS	SPRING TRAINING RESULTS, SCHEDULE
AMERICAN LEAGUE	TUESDAY'S RESULTS QUICK HIT *SPLIT SQUAD
WHITE SOX 13-11-2	White Sox 10, Texas 0
Baltimore 14-10-2	Washington 8, Miami 3
Boston 16-8-1	N.Y. Mets 8, St. Louis 7
Cleveland 16-10-2	Detroit 8, N.Y. Yankees 3
Detroit 9-13-4	Boston 12, Pittsburgh 6
Houston 10-10-2	Phila. 2, Toronto 0 (7)
Kansas City 14-10-2	L.A. Dodgers 8, Oakland 2
Los Angeles 13-15	L.A. Angels 6, Arizona 5
Minnesota 11-12-2	Milwaukee 4, Colorado 4
New York 13-11-1	Tampa Bay vs. Balt., ccd.
Oakland 12-11-2	Kan. City 10, San Fran. 1
Seattle 11-14-1	Cincinnati 3, San Diego 3
Tampa Bay 7-17-3	Winnipeg 2, Toronto 1
Toronto 12-13	Winnipeg 2, Toronto 1
NATIONAL LEAGUE	Cubs vs. Texas Surprise, Ariz. 3:05
CUBS 15-10-3	San Diego vs. White Sox
Arizona 12-12	Boston vs. Tampa Bay
Atlanta 13-13-1	Houston vs. Washington
Cincinnati 9-16-2	St. Louis vs. Miami
Colorado 10-14-2	Philadelphia vs. Toronto
Los Angeles 13-13-1	Oakland vs. Milwaukee*
Miami 13-9-3	Detroit vs. Atlanta
Milwaukee 12-11-1	Pittsburgh vs. Minnesota
New York 8-16-3	Baltimore vs. N.Y. Yankees
Philadelphia 10-15-1	Kansas City vs. Cleveland
Pittsburgh 9-15-2	San Francisco vs. Arizona
St. Louis 12-11-2	San Francisco vs. Cleveland
San Diego 11-9-4	Milwaukee* vs. Seattle
San Fran. 11-14-2	
Washington 11-12-2	
	Cubs regular season opener: March 29 in Miami, 11:30 a.m.
	White Sox season opener: March 29 in Kansas City, 3:15

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LMarte ph 1 0 0 0 Andrsn ss 1 1 1 0	Cratin lb 3 0 1 1 JWmker rf 2 0 0 0
C.Tocci cf 3 0 0 0 DeAnna ss 4 1 1 0	Freem 2b 4 1 1 0 Elzalde rf 1 0 0 0
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Umpires: Home, Adam Hamari; First, Alan Porter; Second, Cory Blaser; Third, John Tumpane. T: 2:28. A: 4,561.	

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

MEN'S NCAA DI TOURNAMENT	UConn (34-0) vs. Duke (24-8)
EAST REGIONAL *a.m.	SPOKANE REGIONAL
Friday's regional semifinals	Saturday's regional semifinals, 3/5:30
Villanova (34-0) vs. West Virginia (26-10), 6:37 (TBS)	North State (31-3) vs. Baylor (33-1)
Purdue (30-6) vs. Texas Tech (26-9), 9:07 (TBS)	Oregon (32-4) vs. Cent. Michigan (30-4)
SOUTH REGIONAL	KANSAS CITY REGIONAL
Thursday's regional semifinals	Friday's regional semifinals, 6/8:30
Kansas State (24-11) vs. Kentucky (26-10), 8:37 (CBS-2)	UC Davis (27-6) vs. St. John's (18-14), 6
Nevada (29-7) vs. Loyola (30-10), 8:07 (CBS-2)	Ga Tech (20-6) at Alabama (19-13), 7
MIDWEST REGIONAL	Mich State (22-12) vs. Texas A&M (22-12) vs. Michigan (30-7), 6:37 (TBS)
Friday's regional semifinals	
Kansas (29-7) vs. Clemson (25-9), 6:07 (CBS-2)	
Duke (28-7) vs. Syracuse (23-13), 8:37 (CBS-2)	
WEST REGIONAL	
Thursday's regional semifinals	
Florida State (22-11) vs. Gonzaga (32-4), 9:07 (TBS)	
Texas A&M (22-12) vs. Michigan (30-7), 6:37 (TBS)	
MEN'S POSTSEASON NIT	
Tuesday's quarterfinals	
Penn St. 85, Marquette 80	
Mississippi St. 79, Louisville 56	
Wednesday's quarterfinals, TBA	
W. Kent. (26-10) at Okla. St. (21-14), 7	
Utah (21-11) at St. Mary's (30-5), 9	
March 27 semifinals	
At Madison Square Garden, New York	
Penn State (24-13) vs. Mississippi St. (25-11), TBD	
Western Kentucky-Oklahoma St. winner vs. Utah-St. Mary's, winner, TBD	
Championship	
March 29 Semifinal winners, 7	
COLLEGE BASKETBALL INVITATIONAL	
Wednesday's semifinals	
Jacksonville State (23-12) vs. North Texas (17-17), 7	
Thursday's semifinals	
Campbell (18-15) at San Francisco (20-15), 9	
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Wednesday's quarterfinals	
Ill. Chicago (8-15) vs. Austin Peay (19-14), 7	
N. Colorado (23-12) vs. San Diego (20-13), 9	
Thursday's quarterfinal	
Sam Houston State (20-14) at UTSA, 7	
Saturday's quarterfinal	
C. Michigan (21-14) at Liberty (21-14), 1	
WOMEN'S NCAA DI TOURNAMENT	
ALBANY REGIONAL	
Saturday's regional semifinals, 10:30p/1	
South Carolina (28-6) vs. Buffalo (29-5)	

LATEST LINE

NBA	pregame.com	WEDNESDAY
Denver 9	off	at Bulls
Cleveland 9	off	at Memphis
at Philadelphia 9	off	at Miami
at Charlotte 1	off	at Brooklyn
at Milwaukee 1	off	at LA Clippers
at San Antonio 5	off	at Washington
at New Orleans 1	off	at Indiana

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

at Oklahoma St 4 1/2	W Kentucky 4 1/2	WEDNESDAY
at Salinas 4 1/2	Ill.-Chicago 4 1/2	at Toronto
at Austin Peay 4	N. Colorado 2 1/2	at North Texas 1 1/2
at San Diego 2	Jacksonville St 1 1/2	
Kentucky 5 1/2	Kansas St 5 1/2	
Nevada 1 1/2	Loyola 2 1/2	
Michigan 2 1/2	Texas A&M 2 1/2	
Gonzaga 5 1/2	Florida St 5 1/2	
at UTSA 4	Sam Houston SL 4	
at San Fran. 9	Campbell 9	
Villanova 5 1/2	W. Virginia 5 1/2	FRIDAY
Purdue 1 1/2	Texas Tech 1 1/2	at Oklahoma
Duke 1 1/2	Syracuse 4 1/2	Clemson
KNSL 4 1/2	Clemson 4 1/2	

at Buffalo -120	Arizona -110	WEDNESDAY
at Pittsburgh off	Montreal off	at Toronto
at St. Louis off	Boston off	at Calgary
at Calgary -109	Anaheim -101	

SOCCER

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER	EASTERN	WESTERN	
	W L TPTS GF GA	W L TPTS GF GA	
N.Y. City FC	3 0 0 9 6 1	Los Angeles FC	2 0 0 6 6 1
Columbus	1 0 1 7 4 5	Minnesota	2 0 0 6 6 1
Atlanta FC	2 1 0 6 7 6	Kansas City	2 1 0 6 7 7
Philadelphia	1 0 1 4 2 0	Vancouver	2 1 0 6 5 6
New York	1 0 1 3 4 1	Houston	1 1 1 4 7 4
Montreal	1 2 0 3 4 5	Real Salt Lake	1 1 0 3 3 5
New England	1 1 0 3 4 5	San Jose	1 1 0 3 3 5
D.C. United	0 1 2 2 4 6	LA Galaxy	1 0 1 3 3 3
Orlando City	0 2 1 1 2 5	FC Dallas	0 0 1 1 1 1
FIRE	0 2 0 0 4 6	Colorado	0 1 0 1 2 2
Toronto FC	0 2 0 0 3 3	Portland	0 1 0 0 0 0
WESTERN	W L TPTS GF GA	Portland	0 2 0 0 1 6
Los Angeles FC	2 0 0 6 6 1	Colorado	0 1 0 1 2 2
Minnesota	2 0 0 6 6 1	Portland	0 1 0 0 0 0
Kansas City	2 1 0 6 7 7	Vancouver	2 1 0 6 5 6
Houston	1 1 1 4 7 4	Houston	1 1 1 4 7 4
Real Salt Lake	1 1 0 3 3 5	San Jose	1 1 0 3 3 5
San Jose	1 1 0 3 3 5	LA Galaxy	1 0 1 3 3 3
LA Galaxy	1 0 1 3 3 3	FC Dallas	0 0 1 1 1 1
FC Dallas	0 0 1 1 1 1	Colorado	0 1 0 1 2 2
Colorado	0 1 0 1 2 2	Portland	0 1 0 0 0 0
Portland	0 2 0 0 1 6		

Note: 3 points for win, 1 point for tie.
SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE
New York City FC at New England, 12:30
Portland at FC Dallas, 2:30
D.C. United at Columbus, 5
Minnesota United at New York, 6
Sporting Kansas City at Colorado, 8
LA Galaxy at Vancouver, 9

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE	CLUB	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
Man City	26	3	1	85	20	81	
Man United	20	5	5	58	23	65	
Liverpool	18	4	4	73	34	63	
Tottenham	18	7	5	59	25	61	
Chelsea	17	8	5	52	27	59	
Arsenal	14	6	10	55	41	48	
Burnley	11	10	9	27	26	43	
Leicester	10	10	10	45	43	40	
Everton	11	7	13	37	50	40	
Bournemouth	9	13	17	39	36	56	
Watford	10	16	15	39	55	36	
Brighton	8	10	12	28	40	34	
Newcastle	8	14	10	30	40	32	
Swansea	8	7	15	25	42	31	
Cardiff	7	16	25	52	31	53	
Crystal Palace	7	9	15	30	48	30	
West Ham	7	9	14	36	37	30	
Southampton	5	13	12	29	44	28	
Stoke	6	9	16	29	58	27	
West Brom	3	17	17	24	49	20	

SATURDAY, MARCH 31
Crystal Palace vs. Liverpool, 6:30 a.m.
West Ham vs. Southampton, 9 a.m.
Watford vs. Bournemouth, 9 a.m.
Manchester vs. Huddersfield, 9 a.m.
Man United vs. Swansea, 9 a.m.
West Brom vs. Burnley, 9 a.m.
Brighton vs. Leicester, 9 a.m.
Abernon vs. Man City, 11:30 a.m.

NBA & LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE	WESTERN CONFERENCE
CENTRAL	W L OLSL PT GF GA
Manitoba	38 19 4 4 84 222 169
WOLVES	35 20 7 2 79 202 171
Iowa	30 20 9 5 74 198 201
G. Rapids	24 24 7 16 25 192 183
Rockford	33 24 4 4 74 196 196
Milwaukee	32 28 4 1 69 178 198
Cleveland	



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Co-hosts Jalen Rose, left, Mike Greenberg and Michelle Beadle sit together on the set of "Get Up!" — which will debut April 2 at 6 a.m. on ESPN.

A reason to 'Get Up'

That's what Greenberg is hoping his new morning talk show for ESPN will provide to sports fans

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN | Chicago Tribune

Groggy folks flipping to ESPN to watch "SportsCenter" on April 2 might wonder if someone spiked their coffee.

"SportsCenter" will give way to "Get up!", a new show that will air from 6-9 a.m. in Chicago and be simulcast on Sirius XM.

ESPN is betting big — a reported \$6.5 million a year — on Mike Greenberg, a Northwestern alumnus who needed Mike Golic on "Mike & Mike" for 18 years. That hugely successful run ended Nov. 17.

Since then Greenberg has collaborated with Bill Wolff, ESPN's vice president of studio production, to create a show he hopes will be "all things to all sports fans ... that's a tall task."

Wolff and Greenberg, who will team with ABC/ESPN veterans Jalen Rose and Michelle Beadle for "Get Up!", answered our questions Monday.

After a crazy weekend of hoops, are you wishing you had a show this morning?

MG: There have been countless times over the last four months I've wished that. One of the words Bill has been preaching is "pace." So on a day (when) a lot of things happened, you need to be able to cover a lot of things quickly. April 2 was carefully chosen because it is really the epicenter of the sports world. At the time we launch the baseball season will have just started, the men's NCAA tournament championship game is that night, the Masters is that week, the NBA playoffs are two weeks away and the NFL draft is three weeks away. We will more than get our fix when we get going, but the answer to your question is: Hell, yes.

BW: We're doing dry runs. Watching all the games (Sunday) and finding all the video and scanning Twitter and Instagram and doing all the stuff you do when you get a show ready ... it would have been a tremendous day to do a show.

Bill, what do you mean by pace?

BW: I mean high story count. In smaller spaces, we are challenged to cover as much as we can with the right balance or equilibrium between breadth and depth. That is, let's do a lot of stories and have sharp commentary or humor or arguments about those stories, but let's make it move quickly.

Are you figuring some people will watch for eight minutes, some will watch for 25 and maybe a few will watch for three hours?

BW: I'll be surprised if anybody watches for three hours, but I will be grateful to those people. We'll send them a coffee cup if they'll do that for us. The research indicates that the length of tune-in in the morning is somewhere in the neighborhood of 27-28 minutes. We want to try to serve full meals to people who aren't watching that long. If you give us (about) 20 minutes, we'll get you caught up on a lot of stuff. You will be well-informed. If you can stay with us longer, you'll be even better informed.

Mike, how is your bracket looking?

MG: Everyone's is a complete mess. I still have my national champion and my national runner-up intact. I have Villanova beating Michigan in the championship game.

Me too.

MG: That's because you and I were both at (Madison Square

Garden to watch Michigan play two weeks ago, and they just looked so good. And, of course, they escaped by a miracle the other night. It's been crazy.

I've said a million times the NCAA tournament might be the most compelling sporting event that we have in America, but it's the worst imaginable way to pick a champion. It's just completely ridiculous. If you started it all over again right after it ends, it would play out completely differently. That's always been a part that leaves me a little bit unsatisfied.

There are so many narratives around the tournament I don't like. One of them is that (if) a team wins a bunch of games, it justifies the fact (it) got in on the bubble. Well, no two things could possibly have anything less to do with each other. If a team didn't deserve to be in, (it) didn't deserve to be in.

So are you somebody who would say Syracuse did not deserve to be in?

MG: It's not whether I think (the Orange) deserve to be in; either they did or did not based upon information we had at the time. You're telling me Notre Dame couldn't have won two games? I remember when VCU made (its) run to the Final Four and Jay Bilas said on our selection show that (the Rams) didn't deserve to be in. And people were

yelling at Jay, "Now what do you say?" And Jay was a thousand percent right when he was saying, "I think it's great that they're making this run and it has nothing to do with whether they deserve to be in or not." I fully agree with Jay on nine out of 10 things he says about college basketball, and that is definitely one of them.

Do you agree with most of what Jalen Rose says about college basketball?

MG: We're going to find out. We have had some rehearsals, and he and I have gone back and forth on a couple of topics surrounding college basketball, particularly the issue of whether players should boycott the tournament. So I look forward with great anticipation to getting into stuff with him on the air. Jalen is one of my favorite people. He hosted "Mike & Mike" with me many, many times, so I'm very comfortable working with him and I look forward to getting into everything with him. The beauty of Jalen is he's got an opinion on everything.

If you were describing what you want this show to be, what would you say?

MG: I want the show to be all things to all sports fans. It's that simple. That's a tall task. Those are big marching orders, but (since) Bill and I first got together, that has been our goal. We need to be flexible.

There are some days sports fans want news and information and we need to give it to them better than anyone else can. There are some days sports fans want insight and analysis. We need to give it to them better than anyone else can. I think almost all days sports fans would like their news and information and analysis to be brought to them with humor and sort of a joyfulness, and I think it is our obligation to do that every single day with the rare exception of when it doesn't seem appropriate.

There are days that will lend themselves to debate. There are days that will lend themselves to a more serious tone and days that, I'm sure, we'll get silly. I know it sounds like a lot to do, but that's our job. We need to be all things to all sports fans for three hours every day. I think we have exactly the right crew of people to do it.

How about the fact that this is on ESPN, not ESPN2? People expecting to get 'SportsCenter' will see this show. To me that connotes an incredible significance and belief by the network.

BW: The key decision-makers who have put us in this position think there is business to be done in this hour with a fresh product. What we're trying to do across the network is get more people to watch. That may sound obvious, but it's true and sometimes forgotten. Our job is to get more people to watch and I think the folks who made the decision to put us in this role believe that putting on a program that is new and fresh is our network's best opportunity to grow in this day part, which, like everything else in television, we've been sort of flat over the last little while. It is absolutely a calculation by ESPN meant to derive larger audiences.

For a show that airs at 7 a.m. Eastern, what time do people show up?

BW: This morning we had a production call at 3 a.m. But really a morning show is almost on a 24-hour clock because as the events occur in prime time, we have people in Bristol making sure we're prepared to have that meeting. So the 3 a.m. meeting is the first quorum, the first time we're all together talking about what would be on the show. But the guys enter that meeting with a very good idea. Someone has stacked a rundown for us and said, "We think story one is this, story two is that ... block A is this, block B is that." I don't think our hosts will be here at 3. We're going to start them a little more like 5 a.m. and then we'll see how we do.

MG: Welcome to my life for the last 18 years. I'm very accustomed to it and I'm looking forward to watching how everyone else reacts as the reality sets in.

You wake up weekdays around 3:30?

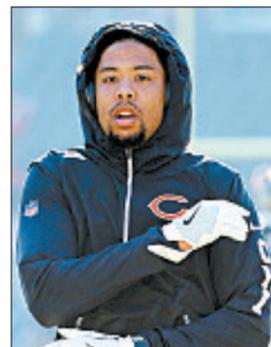
MG: About that. I've been doing this morning thing since the first day of the year 2000. ... There are a lot of pluses and minuses. You just have to get used to it. You're waking up in the middle of the night. It's an unusual way to live, but it comes with a lot of benefits. You just adjust your life accordingly.

How was the name "Get Up!" selected?

BW: We had a few different working names. One couldn't clear because of a copyright thing and another one was sort of tailored around Greeny, then we (added Rose and Beadle) and thought we need to have a name that could accommodate other folks. Then we were working with ESPN creative services, the people who design how it looks. They had this idea: What about the name "The Get Up"? The problem with "The Get Up" is it means costume, right? (As in) what's that get-up?

So I said what if we lost the "the"? It becomes a call to people. It's an extremely positive thing, like when you hit a putt and you want it to go you say, "Get up!" When Mike Shannon, the announcer of the St. Louis Cardinals, sees a guy hit one deep into the outfield, he says, "Get up!" When you see a guy dunk it, you say, "Get up!"

It is sort of resonant of a morning action, like we're getting up. I feel it connotes optimism and the right spirit.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

"It was a crazy experience," Kyle Fuller said of the Bears matching the Packers' offer.

BEARS

Staying put just fine with Fuller

BY COLLEEN KANE
Chicago Tribune

Kyle Fuller said he didn't spend too much time Friday pondering what it would be like to trade in his Bears uniform for Packers gear.

The 26-year-old cornerback said he "went with the flow of everything" over the course of a few hours as he and his agents first accepted the Packers' offer sheet, then learned the Bears would match it to complete a long-term deal.

The Bears made Fuller's four-year deal worth up to \$56 million official Tuesday, and he said he's comfortable with returning for his fifth season.

"It was a crazy experience, not really knowing what to expect," Fuller said Tuesday on a conference call. "I would have never expected it. But when (the Packers' offer) came, it was definitely something to consider, just on the business side of it. At the end of the day, how it all played out, I'm definitely happy."

The Bears originally placed the transition tag on Fuller, which would have been worth \$12.971 million for a year, but they now have their 2014 first-round pick signed through 2021.

It's a big turnaround from last spring when the Bears declined the fifth-year option on Fuller. That decision came after Fuller underwent arthroscopic knee surgery in August 2016 and then failed to play in a game that season.

Fuller called it "a little shaky road" to reach the point he was at Tuesday.

But after recording 69 tackles, 22 passes defended and two interceptions in 2017, he feels he proved himself. General manager Ryan Pace called Fuller "an ascending player on our top 10 defense" in the team's announcement.

"It was really just showing I was healthy, showing what type of player I could really be," Fuller said. "People of course say, 'You had a chip on your shoulder and this and that.' But really I was just happy to come out and be able to have fun, enjoy it and be myself, and I think I showed that last year."

Fuller's return allows him to continue making progress with returning defensive coordinator Vic Fangio. He also rejoins cornerback Prince Amukamara, who signed a three-year deal worth up to \$27 million last week. Amukamara thinks they complement each other well on the field and has been impressed with Fuller's work off it.

"Kyle's preparation for the game, he studies like a quarterback," Amukamara said. "Quarterbacks study film before the game, all throughout the week. ... He'll give me tips and we'll help each other out. I feel like just watching him prepare, that excited me, especially for him being so young."

Now that Fuller is in the fold, the Bears might have another offer sheet to consider. Wide receiver Cameron Meredith visited the Colts on Tuesday, according to multiple sources, and the Colts could be weighing whether to offer him a contract.

Meredith is a restricted free agent and was tendered at the original-round level of \$1.907 million. The Bears have the right of first refusal if Meredith signs an offer sheet elsewhere, but because he was not drafted, they would not receive compensation if they declined.

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"I've said a million times the NCAA tournament might be the most compelling sporting event that we have in America, but it's the worst imaginable way to pick a champion.

It's just completely ridiculous."

— Mike Greenberg



Michigan's Jordan Poole, left, and Syracuse's Paschal Chukwu helped their teams reach the Sweet 16 in the NCAA tournament.

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Moe Wagner chases after Jordan Poole and their Michigan teammates join them in running around the court after Poole's buzzer-beating 3 defeated Houston on Saturday.

Wolverines' last play not simply luck

Michigan practiced executing in that type of situation many times

BY JEFF SEIDEL
Detroit Free Press

WICHITA, Kan. — Confidence and swag ooze out of Jordan Poole the way sweat does with some people.

He was born for this moment — it seems as if it's embedded in his DNA — and he wanted the ball.

"Hamm!" Poole screamed.

Of all the players Michigan's John Beilein has coached during his career, he estimates Poole is in the top "1 percentile" on the swag meter, and that's what is needed for this moment: nothing but swag and confidence.

Teams must have someone who wants the ball with the game on the line in the NCAA tournament, with the season on the line, as the clock ticks down, pressure builds, muscles tighten, nerves rattle and confidence gets tested.

Oh, did we mention Poole is a freshman?

"Hamm!" Muhammad-Ali Abdur-Rahkman heard his nickname. He recognized the voice. He had dribbled the ball over half-court, drawing the defense, this silky smooth senior who floats across the court and always seems to make the right decisions.

Michigan practices this play every few days in practice and there are all kinds of variations built into it. Every person was on the court for a reason. This miracle had been practiced for months.

"I was screaming for the ball," Poole said. "Find me, please!"

Abdur-Rahkman decided to turn and flick a pass to the freshman, who has an uncanny knack to make big shots in practice.

Poole already had his hands up to receive the pass. He caught the ball and raised off the court in one solid, confident motion. He kicked out both legs, one last tiny burst of flare, as he fired a shot from about 30 feet — dead-solid certain it was going in.

The ball rotated through the air as the horn went off and the outline of the backboard turned bright red.

"I had 100 percent confidence that he is going to make that shot," Abdur-Rahkman said.

Finally, the ball swished through the net — a 3-pointer for

the ages — as Michigan escaped with a miraculous 64-63 victory over Houston on Saturday night in the NCAA tournament, sending the Wolverines into the Sweet 16 for the fourth time in five years.

From swag to swish, it's all connected.

Poole started running around the court in Intrust Bank Arena — this guard who took just one shot in the second half — and now everybody was chasing him as if it had turned into a wild, delirious game of tag.

You're it. He's it all right.

Poole faked one way and broke down the court, pumping his arms as players from Houston collapsed in agony.

Finally, the Wolverines caught Poole and tumbled together in a giant pile, basking in their moment, certain this is going to end up in "One Shining Moment," the delirious montage shown on TV at the end of the tournament.

This is what makes the NCAA tournament the best three weeks in sports: these stunning, miraculous, devastating moments, depending on what side of the hoop one is on.

"I'm a little astonished at what just happened," Beilein said.

It's all practiced

Now, here's the crazy part: It felt as if Michigan had lost this game multiple times.

"Sports is a great metaphor for life sometimes," Houston coach Kelvin Sampson said. "You know, it's not always fair."

"I thought our team deserved to win that game. For 39 minutes and 57 seconds, I thought we were the better team."

He's not wrong. The way they came out so flat, missing their first seven shots, the Wolverines looked as if they were going to lose. Their offense seemed to disappear at times.

They turned the ball over at key moments and got into foul trouble. Senior Duncan Robinson was sitting on the bench, after fouling out, thinking his career might be over.

To make matters worse, Houston point guard Rob Gray, the man-bun-wearing gunslinger, started to heat up in the second half. The Cougars had so many opportunities to win, and with four seconds to play it was all but over.

Devin Davis had a pair of free throws for a chance to secure victory. But this guy who had

made 9 of 10 at the line clunked both, leaving a slim opening for the Wolverines.

"Man, it's hard to put into words," Gray said after finishing with 23 points. "You know, I feel we had the game won."

After Davis missed both free throws, Moe Wagner grabbed the rebound and called timeout. Beilein called a play named "Indiana" that has some variations, depending on the defense.

Isaiah Livers went to the baseline to throw the ball in. That was by design. All of it was by design and had been practiced.

"Probably 100 times since summer," Xavier Simpson said.

Livers is a former baseball pitcher who says he can throw it 90 miles per hour. Houston elected not to guard him, giving him a wide-open view and no stress on the throw — that proved a big mistake.

Livers calmly passed a perfect strike to Abdur-Rahkman, setting the miracle in motion. Abdur-Rahkman didn't hesitate to pass to Poole.

"Literally, (Poole) makes them all the time in practice," Abdur-Rahkman said. "He has the most swag on the team by far, probably one of the top ones in the country."

Refuse to lose

For all of this magic, Michigan still has plenty of problems and flaws.

Once again, the Wolverines struggled early. And this time they didn't have any excuses about not playing for 11 days. Among their seven missed shots at the outset were six 3-pointers taken by four players.

"We did some things that just don't make sense," Beilein said. "We have to shake off some of those jitters and get better."

But for every negative, Michigan had a response.

Robinson pulled Michigan out of its early funk, hitting a pair of 3-pointers and forcing a charge, giving the Wolverines some life at last.

"That was really good," Beilein said. "He has played really well."

The first half looked like an ugly tug-of-war contest. Both teams played great defense, leaving both offenses frustrated. Michigan shot just 30 percent from the field, while Houston shot 31 percent.

After the first half, Beilein grimaced. But Luke Yaklich, the Michigan assistant coach who works with the defense, looked

thrilled. He was pumping his fist. The Wolverines had held Houston to 28 points.

Then again, the Cougars had also held Michigan to 28.

"It speaks a lot about our toughness, our resiliency," Robinson said. "I thought we had a refusal to lose."

Key moment

Michigan's main focus on defense was to slow Gray, a senior guard who had scored 39, including the game-winning shot, Thursday night against San Diego State.

Simpson started out guarding Gray. But by the end of the first half, several players got a chance to defend him after substitutions and switches.

When Gray tried to drive, it was a team effort to contest his shot. And he turned into one frustrated man bun, shooting 2 of 11 from the field in the first half.

But Gray got hot midway through the second half. The score was tied at 39-39 when Gray hit a pair of 3-pointers and a layup, giving Houston a 49-43 lead.

From that point, Michigan was forced to play catch-up.

"We are doing some things that I don't know and we have to address them and get better at them," Beilein said.

Because a team can't rely on the old five-point play to get back in every game. Seriously — that was one of the key moments of this game.

Charles Matthews sank an improbable 3-pointer that hit the rim, bounced high into the air and fell through the basket. At the same time, Jon Teske was fouled. He hit both free throws to tie the score.

Without that possession, Michigan loses this game. The Wolverines needed a five-point possession for the win.

You want to talk miracle?

Wagner a factor

At halftime, it was fair to ask: Where the heck did Moe Wagner go?

Wagner scored just five points in 32 minutes Thursday against Montana. And he scored just two in the first half against Houston, although he was in foul trouble and played only nine minutes. That was the issue.

But Wagner seemed to come alive after he got ticked off at the Cougars' Breanon Brady, a 6-foot-8

forward from Akron, Ohio. Brady picked up his third foul early in the second half. He and Wagner started talking trash, which appeared to tick Wagner off.

Then Wagner drilled a 3-pointer over Brady. More trash talking ensued.

On the next trip, Wagner forced a charge, giving Brady his fourth foul.

Wagner was clapping his hands, thrilled beyond belief, and his teammates circled around him, afraid he might pick up a technical foul. That seemed to invigorate Wagner.

Suddenly, he had all kinds of energy and life. But Wagner picked up his third foul, on a switch trying to guard Gray, and had to sit just six minutes into the second half while nursing a sore chin.

"We have been playing without Moe a lot lately, and that's concerning," Beilein said.

Actually, it's not just Wagner. Midway through the second half, he, Matthews and Robinson all had three fouls, while two other players had two.

"We know how it's being called," Beilein said. "We have to adjust. We have to understand it."

"We had three big-time officials out there. That's where Moe has to grow. He has to realize it's not going to change."

The play of his life

In the end, the Wolverines won because they overcame their own problems: the poor shooting, the fouls, the turnovers.

"I just thought we battled," Robinson said. "We haven't always won games like that here in my career. We always kind of did it the pretty way."

No, this wasn't pretty. This was a bare-knuckle, tough, gritty victory.

"(It's so) surreal, I can't comprehend it," Robinson said. "I'm still trying to wrap my head around it."

So many things had to happen for Michigan to win this game — the missed free throws, the perfect inbounds throw, the pass, the shot.

But it's not by happenstance. Michigan practices this all the time.

Still, Poole had to make the shot. And the freshman made the play of his life — the first big play of his life at Michigan.

He has all kinds of confidence that he will do it again. From swag to swish.

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Cousins' confidence still paying off

Vikings' new QB focuses on and gets what he wants

BY ANDREW KRAMMER
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Mark Dantonio wanted his team to vote again. The Michigan State football coach hadn't decided on his starting quarterback, yet one of the candidates, Kirk Cousins, was voted team captain for the 2009 season. A sophomore hadn't been voted captain at Michigan State since 1949.

"I thought that was unusual," Dantonio said.

So he reconfigured the voting system, giving more weight to votes from older players. But a wide smile followed by genuine words paved the way for Cousins' first upset victory.

"He was captain again," Dantonio said.

Unexpected wins, unexpected touchdowns and unexpected talents decorate the journey of a scrawny kid from the small town of Holland, Mich., to Minnesota as the NFL's highest-paid player.

Cousins, the son of a pastor and flight attendant, grew up as the second of three children in a home grounded by Christian faith, academics and athletics. Perhaps in that order of importance too. That's why Cousins' parents chose Holland Christian High School when relocating from the Chicago area while Kirk was in middle school.

Holland Christian's football program launched only a few years before Cousins' arrival, so few college teams paid Cousins any attention before he took the Maroons to their first state playoff game (which they won) as a senior in 2006. Then came the waiting to become Michigan State's starter. Then he was drafted 100 picks behind Robert Griffin III — by the same Redskins team.

This moment for Cousins, who turns 30 in August, has been a long time coming.

"One of the other things I liked about him is that he was a guy that always had to prove himself," Vikings coach Mike Zimmer said. "He bet on himself several times and won, and those things are really important to me. He's always played with a chip on his shoulder."

A betting man

Before Cousins signed a record-setting, guaranteed \$84 million contract with the Vikings last week, he received a text message from an old friend and mentor.

"Hey, enjoy the day," the message read. "This is what you've been working for."

Mike Ott would know. Cousins' former Holland Christian baseball coach, and the current Kalamazoo College coach, recalled the time he approached Cousins about pursuing college baseball. Cousins, then a junior gap hitter practicing in the batting cages, made it a quick conversation.

"He looked at me," Ott said, "and said, 'Nope, I want to play Division I football, and that's what I'm going to go after.' He's been pretty locked in to this goal the entire time I've known him. So it's not really crazy it's actually coming true."

Tim Lont, then Holland Christian's football coach, tried to talk Cousins into pursuing his backup plan — medical school — at Lont's alma mater, Hope College in Holland.

That conversation, too, was short.

"His words were, 'Coach, I just want to play at the highest level possible. I want to give it a shot, so I can never look back with any regrets,'" Lont recalled. "That's really how he ended up at Michigan State."

Problem was, few college programs focused on him. Cousins broke his foot during his junior season, which capped interest. He had just a handful of offers from Mid-American Conference



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"One of the other things I liked about him is that he was a guy that always had to prove himself," Vikings coach Mike Zimmer said of QB Kirk Cousins.

schools such as Toledo and Western Michigan. Then came a turn of fate.

A Spartans quarterback commit, Keith Nichol, changed his mind in the spring of 2006 and chose Oklahoma. That left the newly hired Dantonio with an open scholarship right before signing day. Cousins, who held off committing while trying to get a Division I offer, received a phone call.

"Each time he's bet on himself, it's paid off," Ott said. "He knows what he's doing."

While Nichol did eventually play at Michigan State, it was Cousins who became a three-year captain and 27-game winner as starter. He still wasn't highly regarded in the 2012 NFL draft, slipping to the fourth round. The Redskins didn't turn to Cousins until his fourth season in 2015, making him the starter they strung along for three years.

Cousins and his agent, Mike McCartney, didn't budge on the goal of a three-year, fully guaranteed deal and turned down lower offers from the Redskins front office. They were confident Cousins could capitalize on the back-to-back franchise tags the Redskins used to keep him one season at a time. He responded by annually throwing for 4,000 yards and 25 touchdowns.

"On one hand, this process has moved quickly this week," Cousins said during his introductory Vikings

news conference. "On the other hand, it's been a 2½-year process. Patience was certainly needed throughout."

'Incredibly intense'

A competitive edge in Cousins existed long before he led the Redskins to the biggest comeback in franchise history in 2015.

Cousins helped rally them from a 24-0 deficit to beat the Buccaneers 31-30. On his way to the locker room afterward, he walked by reporters shouting, "You like that?! You like that?!"

It became a rallying cry for the team that season and forever an Internet meme. Kyle Schonewill saw that passion firsthand a decade ago. A former Holland Christian wide receiver, Schonewill ran a post route and leaped for a pass from his best friend.

"Had to make a kind of a circus catch to get it," Schonewill recalled. "The guy hit me and I dropped it. It flung up in the air and it landed on my body and I caught it again."

His teammates, except for one, were thrilled.

"Everyone on our team was freaking out — 'Awesome!' " Schonewill said. "And I get back to the huddle and (Cousins) says, 'Hey, next time, catch it the first time.' That's how you know he's not joking around here."

As a high school quarter-

back, Cousins would get "incredibly intense" once the switch flipped from 4.0 student and choir singer to quarterback, according to Schonewill.

"You don't want to get in his way," Lont said. "Because he likes to win. If it's not a good situation, he's ornery. You have to have that as a competitor."

Cousins was equally driven as a student. He retook the ACT after falling a couple of points short of his goal of 32 on the first go-round. Problem was, the retake was scheduled right before Cousins needed to play third base in the Michigan baseball regional tournament.

"He missed all the pregame stuff and came flying out of the ACT in full uniform to play the two games," Ott said. "We won both games for the school's first regional title."

And Cousins got his 32.

Deep roots

Cousins remains close with friends and mentors from high school. He'll visit Schonewill this offseason in Nashville, Tenn., where the two are likely to fool around in the recording studio.

Schonewill is a professional musician for the band Midnight Pilot. Cousins decompresses in the offseason by voicing covers of bands such as Switchfoot, Coldplay and Blink-182.

"It's just for fun. No one has ever heard them, so

you'll never hear it," Schonewill said. "But it's not bad."

Cousins brought Schonewill to Minnesota during Super Bowl week, when he was about to become the league's most coveted free agent. They rented a car and crept around the Vikings' old facility in Eden Prairie and the nearly completed new headquarters in Eagan. They couldn't go inside or talk with any Vikings officials without violating NFL rules, but they were scouting what felt like home.

"We both loved the Midwest vibe, obviously both being from Michigan and Chicago," Schonewill said.

Cousins is also never far from family.

His parents, Don and MaryAnn, have had a profound impact on his life. Don coached Kirk on Lont's Holland Christian staff. Kirk and his wife, Julie, live with his parents in Florida during part of the offseason. One of the cars he drives is the 2000 GMC Savana passenger van he bought from his grandmother for \$5,000.

A big part of him will always remain in East Lansing, Mich., too. Cousins still visits once or twice a year, Dantonio said, and he has again been requested to speak to the team this spring if his schedule permits.

Cousins already has made popular speeches, including one at the 2011 Big Ten kickoff luncheon and

an emotional one during the 2014 Rose Bowl pep rally. He had been chosen as honorary captain by Dantonio because "he had so much to do with the building of this program," which included the coach's first double-digit win seasons at Michigan State.

Cousins penned the 1,300-word speech on behalf of Big Ten football players before reciting it to a crowd.

"I like to prepare," Cousins said after signing with the Vikings.

Sometimes the preparation comes naturally. In the 2013 book Cousins authored, "Game Changer," he describes his father gathering the family to read Bible scripture before the Spartans' season finale against Penn State. A Big Ten title was on the line. Don Cousins brought up Psalm 91. The family chuckled at the passage "you will trample the great lion."

A few days later after warm-ups at Penn State, Dantonio called the team together and asked if anyone knew what Psalm 91 says.

"I think he was shocked I knew the answer," Cousins wrote. "You could have heard a pin drop in that moment."

A pin drop likely could've been heard again in State College, Pa., when Cousins and the Spartans left with a Big Ten title.

"The guy's just on top of it," Dantonio said.



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Talini, left, a female polar bear from the Detroit Zoo, nuzzles with Siku at Lincoln Park Zoo on Monday. They were introduced last week in the middle of mating season.

A PAIRING OF POLAR BEARS

New female takes up residence at Lincoln Park Zoo as part of breeding program

BY STEVE JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

The courtship of Siku and Talini plays, at times, like French bedroom farce.

She scurries into one door of their habitat. He lumbers out from another.

They engage in snout play amid their wood wool bedding.

They exchange bon mots, which, in polar bear terms, sound more like bellows.

And then she scampers off to disappear behind a door again.

There may be no bigger fan of this scenario — Moliere by way of David Attenborough — than Dave Bernier, Lincoln Park Zoo's general curator. He's the man responsible, broadly

speaking, for shepherding this matchup toward the hoped-for result: a compatible pairing and, maybe, a cub.

"They're doing great. What you're seeing out here is typical courtship

behavior," Bernier said Monday morning amid a long session of watching the two carnivores cavort. "They're communicating really well."

Some mating behavior might not play too well in this time of #MeToo. "Part of it is the persistence," said Bernier. "He's really single-mindedly obsessed with her, and she's got other interests."

On the other hand, he said, "she's the decider in these things," and Siku seems to be respecting her boundaries.

The bears were introduced to each other last week in the zoo's Walter Family Arctic Tundra. It was an important meeting.

Polar bears are a bellwether species, a symbol of the ravages of human-caused climate change. The rapid decline of sea ice in polar regions is expected to dramatically reduce the number of wild polar bears in coming decades.

As a result, zoos are pushing breeding plans into high gear. A Barry White soundtrack, metaphorically speaking, is playing over the entirety of the captive polar bear population.

"The word 'climate change'... has changed the world, including mine," Dr. Randi Meyerson, a Detroit Zoo

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Lifelong Chicagoan Heather Ireland Robinson is the Jazz Institute of Chicago's new executive director. She started her job March 1.

New leader takes reins at the Jazz Institute



HOWARD REICH
My Kind of Jazz

For more than two decades, one person above all has been the voice of the Jazz Institute of Chicago: Lauren Deutsch, its executive director since 1996.

So when Deutsch announced last year that she planned to

leave the job, no one was more surprised than Heather Ireland Robinson, who was appointed to the post last month and began work March 1.

"It was not on my radar — I did not picture Lauren leaving," says Ireland Robinson, speaking in her new Jazz Institute office in the Fine Arts Building.

"I don't think many people did. She was the face of the organization for so many reasons."

Ireland Robinson says she

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IN PERFORMANCE 'An Enemy of the People' ★★★½

The truth wins out? Don't make this audience laugh

BY CHRIS JONES
 Chicago Tribune

For a vista of how deeply cynical America has become in this age of division and manipulation, this moment when you don't know whether the news is real or fake, whether your boss is under investigation, whether the outrage in your Facebook feed is human or was stuck there by Cambridge Analytica, consider this moment at the Goodman Theatre on Monday night.

Dr. Thomas Stockmann — the deeply flawed protagonist of Henrik Ibsen's 1882 drama "An Enemy of the People" — has received research saying that the water in the touristy baths where he works is toxic, due to pollution leaking from the town's mills. And before we go any further here, note that water problems were not limited to Scandinavian spas; Flint, Mich., could have used a Dr. Thomas Stockmann. Brandishing his research, Stockmann declares he will go to the town's leading citizens, including his brother the mayor, and he is asked by his wife and daughter what he thinks they will say. "These are scientific facts," he replies.

"There's only one thing they can say: 'Thank you.'" At that point, a guttural, cynical, growling collective laugh rolled and roiled through the theater, which had its share of opening night muckety-mucks; it was not unlike a stadium wave. This surely was not a consequence of people knowing the play (even though director Robert Falls' production of his



LIZ LAUREN PHOTO

Lanise Antoine Shelley is Katherine and Philip Earl Johnson plays Dr. Thomas Stockmann in "An Enemy of the People" at the Goodman.

own adaptation actually followed fast on Brett Neveu's contemporary take on this very same fascinating work, at A Red Orchid Theater as directed by Michael Shannon). Not at all. When "An Enemy of the People" was first produced, the master of the well-made problem play was

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Drumroll, please: Sir Ringo knighted

Call him Sir Ringo now, or Sir Richard to be more precise. Either way, it's a fitting honor for the former Beatles drummer, who has waited decades for the recognition.

The 77-year-old Ringo Starr received his long-awaited knighthood from Prince William on Tuesday. He used his real name, Richard Starkey, for the event.

Some 53 years ago, Starr was at the palace with his former bandmates accepting the MBE — Member of the Order of the British Empire — and acknowledged missing them today. "I was a bit shaky today on my own," he said.

Then again, he could have been calmer in 1965 for a different reason. Although John Lennon claimed in 1970 that the Beatles had smoked marijuana in the palace men's room before the ceremony to calm their nerves, Starr debunked it Tuesday.

"Who said that?" he said, laughing. "I'm not keeping that rumor going."

The other surviving Beatle, Paul McCartney, was knighted in 1997.

"I had dinner with him last week, and we were both actually laughing about where we came from, and we've ended up in the palace, and it's now Sir Paul and Sir Richard," Starr said.

"The four of us came here, and it was a thrill then," he added. "It was crazy because we were just four lads who played music, and then suddenly we're at the palace."

— Associated Press and Variety



MICHAEL LOCCISANO/GETTY

A "Mean" success? "Mean Girls" is looking pretty nice for Broadway. The new musical, powered by the involvement of the film's screenwriter Tina Fey, above, raked in over \$1.3 million for just seven previews in its first week on the boards. The show, with music by Jeff Richmond, lyrics by Nell Benjamin and book by Fey, could become one of this spring's success stories.

"Crown" apology: Left Bank Pictures, which produces "The Crown," has issued a statement about the revelation that Claire Foy was paid less than co-star Matt Smith on the Netflix series. "We want to apologize to both Claire Foy and to Matt Smith, brilliant actors and friends, who have found themselves at the center of a media storm this week through no fault of their own," Left Bank said.

"Stranger" raises: The stars of Netflix's "Stranger Things" have landed big pay increases for the upcoming third season. According to a report in Deadline, the child and adult stars will all make six figures per episode for the coming season. Finn Wolfhard, Gaten Matarazzo and Caleb McLaughlin, the show's young male stars, are set to make more than \$150,000 per episode, according to the report. Millie Bobby Brown, considered the breakout star from the first two seasons, is reportedly earning even more.

March 21 birthdays: Actor Timothy Dalton is 74. Musician Eddie Money is 71. Actor Gary Oldman is 60. Comedian and TV personality Rosie O'Donnell is 56. Actor Matthew Broderick is 56. Actor Scott Eastwood is 32.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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She's just tired of being 'that' mom

Dear Amy: My teen daughter is lovely. She has a group of friends who seem lovely, as well, with one problem. My daughter is the one who plans and invites the group to movies, skating, over to our home, etc. She does the calling and arranging and it is extremely rare that she receives a reciprocal invitation. This has been going on for years.

My response is that she should stop the planning/inviting. She thinks someday things will turn around. But like I said, it's been years. I am the mom to pick them up/drop them off. I ask if others can contribute, and am given excuses.

Any advice? I just want some reciprocation.
— Tired Mom

Dear Tired: Many teenage friend groups have a dynamic similar to your daughter's, where one individual is basically the social engine the group runs on. Please understand that your daughter is both skilled and lucky. Many teens do not have the social confidence, ability or parental participation to successfully plan anything. You're the mom who is available — and tolerated. You're "that" mom, and your house is "that" house — the house where kids feel comfortable.

Unless your daughter feels ignored, discounted or dominated by this group she is providing for, I hope you will continue to participate. This life phase is so short. Those times playing chauffeur are when you as a parent get a rare glimpse into the sometimes mysterious social life of your teen. Contact other parents

directly — not through their kids — and ask them to do some driving. Also, if these teens are old enough to go on outings alone, then they are old enough to catch a bus. If you live in an area with public transportation, they should be using it.

Dear Amy: Two years ago, when my (male) cousin was engaged, I attended his fiancée's bridal shower. The shower was lovely and the bride's registry was extravagant. Nonetheless, I gave a generous gift and attended happily.

A few months later I went to their wedding. My husband and I gave a thoughtful gift.

Months went by and no one received a thank-you!

Not sending a thank-you is bad enough, but she had such an expensive registry (summer and winter china?).

Fast-forward to today. My cousin's wife is now pregnant and I have received a baby shower invitation. I am tempted to not attend because I will be angry about not receiving a thank-you. However, my aunt (this cousin's mother) was so generous and lovely when my children were born that I would feel guilty not attending.

Should I go and give a small gift, or give an excuse and not attend? Maybe I should include a self-addressed thank-you card along with my gift?
— Snubbed cousin

Dear Snubbed: This is an all-too-common problem. However, I'd like to point out that while you are fixated on their rudeness, including a passive-aggressive thank-you card with a

shower gift is also rude, and hanging onto a grudge for two years is a bit impolite too.

Yes, this couple were thoughtless, but you do not have to be. You should contact them via email and say, "I'm embarrassed to ask this, but did you ever get your 'thank-yous' out after your engagement and wedding? If so, we never received them. Honestly, that has hurt my feelings. These landmark occasions are so important, and being thanked for giving a gift closes the circle for the people who celebrate with you." This is a polite and honest nudge. Do not tie it to the baby shower.

If you can attend this shower and still be polite to this couple, then do so, and give them a small gift like you had planned — without the self-addressed note. If you think that you are incapable of being polite at this shower, then definitely stay home.

Dear Amy: "Driving me Nuts" wrote about how much "vocal fry" bothered her. I'm a court reporter and I take down testimony and hear different speech patterns every day. Vocal fry is one of the sounds that reporters complain about the most. Not only does it sound awful, people who think this is attractive and use it are swallowing the ends of their sentences.
— Out of Order

Dear Out of Order: There has been a huge response to this letter, and the verdict is in: Everyone hates "vocal fry."

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'Enemy of the People' an allegory for current political times

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using this moment to build dramatic suspense. Stockmann thought that basic decency and logic would mean that the citizenry would listen to a whistleblower; the audience in London and New York had no reason to feel otherwise. Ibsen — who at the time was dabbling in eugenics — was setting himself up to disavow them over the two hours, mostly by pointing out the sheeplike qualities of the insufficiently educated masses.

Now? Now, nobody believes for a moment that anyone will do the right thing if there is any chance whatsoever that it will clash with his own self-interest. If ever there was a moment in the Chicago theater that said, look, we have sunk to this, then here was that moment. It's a great pity all the gubernatorial candidates weren't there to see such palpable evidence of the demise of unification and optimism in the great state of Illinois.

If you were a fan of the late Stephen Hawking,

you'll know his view that the life span of humans is too short for the lessons of previous generations to be fully absorbed by those that follow. This unfortunate circumstance — baked into how we operate — prevents us from adequately responding to problems with consequences fully unfolding only far in the future. This is a central point of this play. It's also the greatest current crisis faced by humanity, a humanity that Hawking pointed out may soon need to find another planet.

Which would imply a show worth seeing, no?

Everyone at the Goodman figured out fast that Falls has allegory at the top of his agenda here. Now, he's not the first to jump on this train (aside from Neveu's fine efforts, this "Enemy" makes an interesting companion piece to Tracy Letts' "The Minutes"), but he clearly sees the truth-averse small-business owners (who make up the majority of the town) as Trump supporters fed by a fake and foxy news media. Indeed, the term "fake news" even shows up in the adaptation. Then again, so does "deplorable," suggesting a touch of the Clintonian in Falls' conception of Stockmann (played here by Philip Earl Johnson). Stockmann has a deep contempt for those he thinks of as dumber than him; in this production, the great town hall meeting plays out as a kind of cautionary tale for progressives on how not to talk in such a way as to make things worse.

Stockmann's railing against the masses — "the majority is never right," "stupid people put stupid people in charge" — all are versions of what you currently can hear at cocktail parties in Lincoln Park, even though the lessons of history suggest that too much belief in intellectual superiority as the main qualification for leadership opens the door for fascism, an issue that this produc-



LIZ LAUREN PHOTOS

tion does not so fully address. It was an Ibsen blind spot too. History has not been kind to eugenics, despite the number of reform-minded playwrights in the late 19th century at least briefly enthralled thereby. We would all do well to watch for that.

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If all this sounds a bit on the nose, well, there you go. But this still is a must-see show that has your mind whizzing and whirring, pondering the absurdities of the moment as well as its well-paved spot in the history of democratic lurches and missteps. Falls' production — situated on a cleverly revealing set by Todd Rosenthal — pulls a few punches when it comes to critiquing the ways and means of the liberal intelligentsia. Understandable. Such punches take huge courage to land in the American theater right now. And these folks are the funders.

But Ibsen was never



Scott Jaeck, right, plays the terrifying older brother of Philip Earl Johnson's Dr. Thomas Stockman in "Enemy."

fearful: "An Enemy of the People" is really all about life's great banquet of self-interest and our inability to extricate ourselves lest, as in the nightmare of Auntie Mame, we find ourselves starving to death. Everyone in this world will conceal the truth for a price — a job, a personal relationship, past bitterness, past favors done, a present consulting contract, a gig. And Facebook, where unity has been so systematically shattered, does not require anyone to reveal their conflicts of interest.

Falls' production is not perfect. There are excellent actors like Rebecca Hurd, Lanise Antoine Shelley and David Darlow in the cast, all of whom had some moments that really made me shudder with ap-

proached recognition. Johnson, who is most important of all but who was not yet entirely comfortable with the text on opening, will get better as he goes. He's got the fundamentals down, but hopefully more surety will send him far enough to match Scott Jaeck, who is utterly terrifying in the role of his brother, the mayor, a cold-eyed and disturbing guy but a guy who understands people not unlike Steve Bannon understands people.

And this mayor didn't need any analytics. They're just gravy for the meat of human recognition.

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'Musical bears' during mating season

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executive, said in an interview last fall. "Now they truly are the flagship species for this whole issue. The polar bears in the Arctic really are the canary in the coal mine."

Meyerson is coordinator of the Polar Bear Species Survival Plan Program, which manages the polar bear population for the industry-leading Association of Zoos and Aquariums. "Now we're trying to increase our population numbers so they can act as this ambassador at the different facilities," she said.

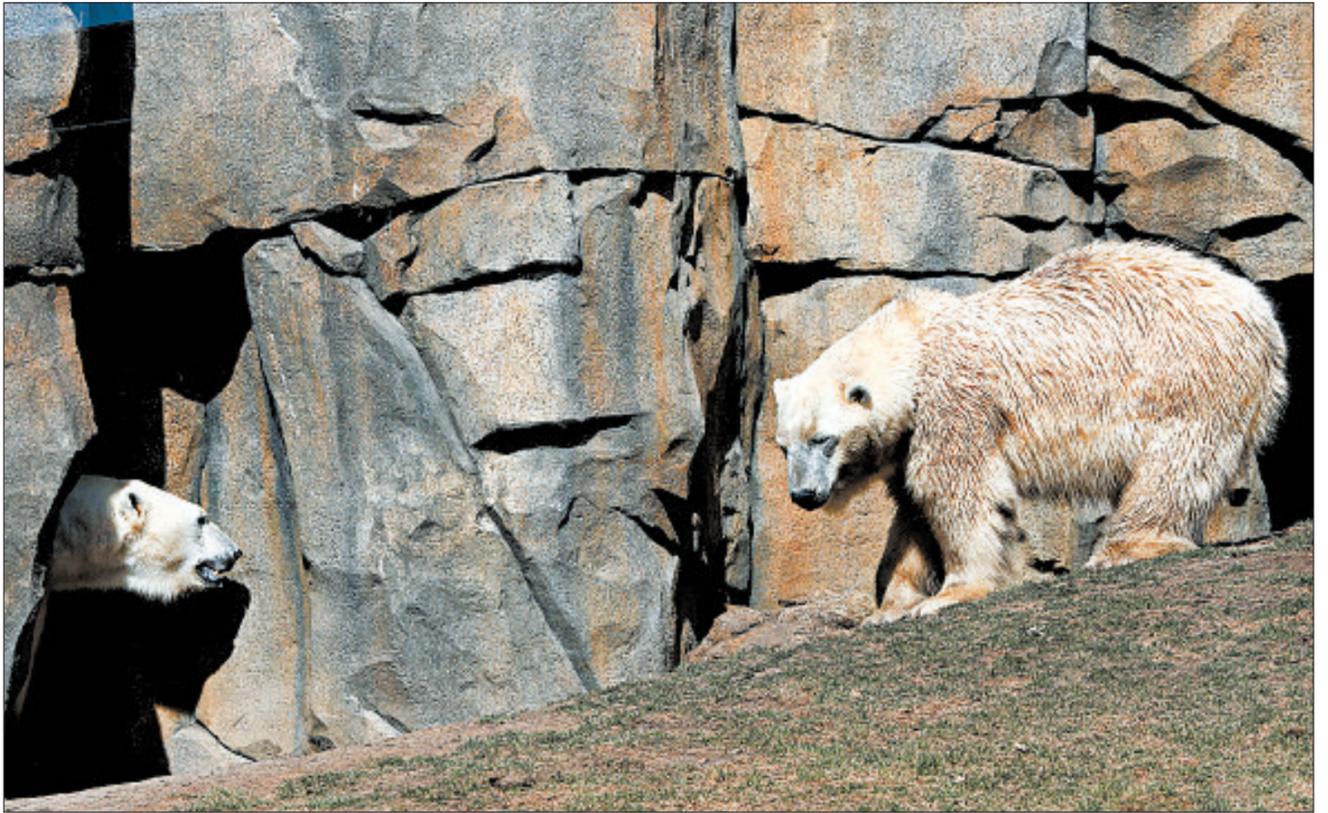
At Lincoln Park, the arrival of the 13-year-old Talini last month represented a restart of the institution's plans after a tragic loss.

The zoo debuted the new multimillion-dollar habitat in 2016, a dramatic reimagining of what polar bear quarters should be. Visitors used to see a pool-dominated, somewhat sterile space fronted by a deep moat. Now, from strategically placed viewing windows, they see 8,400 square feet with pools at either end, lots of turf in between and features including rocks, a stream and a small waterfall.

Siku, who is now 8, came into the habitat first, transferred here from the Louisville Zoo. He was joined last February by Kobe, roughly twice his age. She arrived late in the spring breeding season, so keepers were more hopeful for this year than last. But in early autumn, Kobe's health declined rapidly. Zoo veterinarians found kidney failure and euthanized her Oct. 19.

Lincoln Park, with its state-of-the-art habitat, strong reputation in the industry and healthy young male, was a prime candidate to have a new female chosen for it right away by the Polar Bear SSP.

But first the zoo had to wait through denning season, when potentially fertile females hole up in a



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Siku, left, a male polar bear, is quite taken with Talini, a female brought in from Detroit, according to Lincoln Park Zoo officials.



The mating season for polar bears can stretch into April.

cozy space in case there's a pregnancy. As soon as it's determined that a female is not pregnant, the SSP leaps into action.

A female-male pairing that hasn't been successful might be broken up to give

new partners a chance. A lone male, like Siku, might get a recommended potential mate. And it's all done quickly because breeding season hits full-on in March.

It becomes almost "mu-

sical bears," Bernier said. "It's, 'Here are your recommendations. Everyone move your bears now.' It's very well choreographed."

Talini, a 540-pound bear who was born and lived at the Detroit Zoo, arrived at Lincoln Park in mid-February. (She traveled in a refrigerated truck, Bernier said.) After a roughly monthlong quarantine period, staff began introducing her to her potential mate, who eats significantly less during breeding season and is down to about 800 pounds from 1,000.

The first introductions came in the indoor holding area, getting the bears used to the idea of one another. Then came some brief outdoor time together last Wednesday. The habitat can be divided into separate north and south areas if necessary, but it hasn't been.

When all of that went well, Siku and Talini spent Thursday with full access to the habitat and each other, Bernier said, and it's been pretty smooth since.

"She's experienced. That really helps," he said, noting that Talini had been with a male in Detroit but had not produced offspring.

Bernier said there are differences between the two females: "Kobe was an inside girl. Talini likes being outside." Talini is also more of a swimmer than her predecessor, he said.

And her already honey-tinted coat — possibly the result of an environmental factor in her Detroit enclosure — gets even darker as she rolls around.

"She likes to get a little down and dirty in the exhibit," said Bernier.

He's talking about mud, people. Mud. But he also talked about the other, which may have happened

already.

"I'm not sure we've seen copulation, but we've seen her presenting to him," he said.

All of that is a very good sign. As was the scene when our visit Monday ended: Talini, laid out flat on the ground in the mid-day sun, appearing to nap. Siku, on his haunches nearby, breathing heavily. Two bears chilling on the tundra, like a human couple might on the couch after watching some Netflix.

They got their start together a little late in this year's breeding season, which can stretch into April. But, still, fingers at the zoo are crossed. "The only guarantee is there are no guarantees when it comes to polar bears," said Bernier.

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'I have made it my life ... to bring the arts to people'

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first found out change was coming when she spotted a Facebook posting from Deutsch announcing her intention to leave the Jazz Institute's top job. The nonprofit organization programs the Chicago Jazz Festival and partners with various arts groups to present performances and educational events across the city and beyond.

Ireland Robinson, who had stepped down as executive director of the Beverly Arts Center last March (after a three-year tenure), was intrigued, and not just because she grew up listening to jazz.

Ireland Robinson had served as the Jazz Institute's education and community coordinator from September 2002 to May 2004.

As she read Deutsch's Facebook post, Ireland Robinson wondered: "Is this real? What's the timeline?" she recalls. "As soon as I saw it on Facebook, I thought: 'I think this is it.'"

Meaning this could be her next chapter.

After a national search, the Jazz Institute board selected Ireland Robinson, and it's not difficult to understand why. The lifelong Chicagoan, 48, owns a long and deep resume of nonprofit leadership in this city. In addition to having managed the \$1.7 million budget of the Beverly Arts Center, she served as executive director of the South Side Community Art Center from November 2011 to February 2014 (its budget was \$350,000).

Various positions with Gallery 37, After School Matters, Marwen and the Chicago Park District point to what Ireland Robinson long has seen as her mission.

"I have made it my life and profession to bring the

arts to people," she says.

"So that's a really broad view of why" she pursued the Jazz Institute job. "Having worked here starting in 2002, I felt like it was coming home."

"The idea of working with Lauren was attractive to me," adds Ireland Robinson of Deutsch, who has segued into the institute's newly created, part-time position of director of artistic collaborations.

"And then there's the music," says Ireland Robinson. "I love jazz music. I think it deserves to be heard by more people."

"I was raised with the music," she adds. "My father played it constantly. He was also part of a group called Our Thang — he was a poet for that group. There was always rhythm and song in my life. As young children, my brother and I got to know John Coltrane and Miles Davis just as we knew the soul music we were hearing on the radio. It became part of our DNA."

All of which appears to have made Ireland Robinson a logical choice for her new job.

"I think that she has really honed her leadership skills in the context of several different arts organizations," says Deutsch. "She learned the importance of building community through the arts."

"Her connection to her previous employment at the Jazz Institute makes a very fine circle to complete, in that she actually helped start, or plant the seeds, for several of the programs that have really flourished over the past 20 years."

As a personality, adds Deutsch, "She's really undaunted. And she has a great deal of passion and energy for the job."

She'll need it, as the institute stands at some major crossroads.

For starters, next year the organization will turn 50, an anniversary that Ireland Robinson sees as a critical opportunity.

"I'm really focused on programming specifically for the 50th," she says. "That's a great chance for people to look our way — and who's not looking that way that should be."

The occasion is prompting Ireland Robinson to ask: "What are we doing for little children, the kinds of things that they need to learn about the music, the history of jazz music?"

"We want ask our members and our current donors: What would you like us to do?"

Ireland Robinson believes that the institute, which has an annual budget of about \$950,000, is "poised for tremendous growth."

So she has coined a phrase to encapsulate her plans for the organization.

"I've been using this term: maintain, sustain, refresh and grow," she says. "So, keeping the things that are working and making sure that the infrastructure and corporate part of it is strong enough, so we can keep going for another 50 years."

"How can we refresh and shine it up a little bit and put it in the hands of more people? More programming that reaches little children and millennials. Our audience is of a certain age, which is OK. Those are the people that have gotten us to 50 years."

"How do we make sure that we're starting to grow patrons and jazz lovers for the next 50?"

That's a central challenge facing Ireland Robinson and her colleagues at the Jazz Institute, which is vital to jazz — and jazz education — in Chicago. But the institute has been surpassed by multimillion-



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"I love jazz music," says Heather Ireland Robinson, the Jazz Institute's executive director.

dollar organizations in other cities that came into existence later.

Can the institute catch up?

"We are here to promote and nurture jazz in all its forms," says Ireland Robinson. "That can definitely be expanded."

"Our growth has really been internal. Our budget has gotten bigger. Our staff has gotten bigger. It's those

behind-the-scenes, spreadsheet, organization-funding things that the public doesn't see that we need to build up, that we can grow."

The institute's membership figure, which Ireland Robinson places at somewhere between 800 and 900, also could be improved.

"I would love to grow that membership number," she says.

"I'd like to have all those numbers grow, especially when you're so close to \$1 million (budget). That changes the funders you can approach."

"I think we're ready with a plan."

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OSCAR CHICAGO PHOTO 1959

The Chicago Symphony Chorus debuted in 1958 under director Margaret Hillis, who was brought in by CSO music director Fritz Reiner. Duain Wolfe took the reins from Hillis in 1994.

Singing the praises of 60

Chicago Symphony Chorus celebrating with some Schubert



JOHN VON RHEIN
Heard & Scene

Given the astonishing abundance of professional-level choral music in the Chicago area, it's easy to forget it wasn't always so.

Indeed, well before 1957, when Fritz Reiner asked Margaret Hillis, then director of the New York Concert Choir, to assemble a choir of comparable stature to perform choral masterpieces with his Chicago Symphony Orchestra, local choral performances were pretty much confined to whatever church, amateur and student groups could muster.

All that changed with the public debut of the Chicago Symphony Chorus in March 1958. Bruno Walter conducted the Mozart Requiem in what were to be his final appearances with the orchestra. Critics and audiences were unanimous in their praise of the splendid choral aggregation Hillis had prepared for the occasion.

When she stepped down as chorus director in 1994, the many accomplishments of her professional chorus added an important chapter to the storied history of its parent orchestra.

The CSO Chorus became a significant catalyst for the advent of choral organizations large and small, across the city and throughout the nation. At present, some 90 U.S. choruses classify themselves as symphonic, and, of these choirs, around 40

maintain formal affiliations with orchestras, according to the service organization Chorus America.

For 24 seasons it has fallen to Duain Wolfe, Hillis' successor as director of the Chicago Symphony Chorus, to add to her legacy, put his own artistic stamp on the CSO's remarkable in-house ensemble of 160 voices and carry it to an even higher plane of achievement.

This week, six decades after Chicago audiences heard the CSO Chorus for the first time, Riccardo Muti will lead the choir, orchestra and soloists in Schubert's sublime Mass No. 6 in E flat, as part of the season-long celebration of the ensemble's 60th anniversary.

It has been an eventful journey for one of the world's foremost symphonic choral organizations. And for doing so much to help it arrive in such excellent shape, Wolfe deserves a solo bow.

"When Duain took over from Margaret in 1994, the chorus wondered, 'How is this going to work?'" says Cheryl Frazes Hill, a member of the Chicago Symphony Chorus for more than 40 years and the group's associate conductor for more than 20. "For him to take us to the next level was something nobody could have predicted. He's done that in spades."

The onus is on Wolfe to do what every good chorus master must do — elicit a full, clear, well-balanced, well-blended sound, with exact intonation, firm articulation and lucid diction, in whatever language is being sung, in a wide range of repertoire — then take everything to a world-class level. (No pressure, right?)

And it's up to every chorus member to subsume his or her voice and vocal man-

ner to the greater good of the ensemble. Small wonder Wolfe is so fanatical as to the kind of voices and singers he admits into the Chicago Symphony Chorus.

"Flexibility is incredibly important for anybody who sings in this group," the chorus director says. "Conductors come in, and we have to change on a dime for whatever he or she wants. When it comes to vocal quality, high on my list is a voice sound that I think is going to be a blending, unifying factor. Sometimes a singer with a really good voice will audition, but we won't hire them because it's a timbre or way of approaching vocalism that's not going to fit with the rest of the ensemble."

Each conductor brings certain expectations about the kind of choral sound he or she deems appropriate for a given work, and it's up to the chorus master to make sure the massed voices are prepared to meet those expectations.

"When Muti asks for a sound that can be balanced on the head of a pin, the Chicago Symphony Chorus must be able to do that," Frazes Hill observes. "Duain insists not only on precision and musicianship but also on keeping the integrity of the ensemble. That's a challenge to achieve. It's a philosophy of ensemble singing that insists (the choristers') ears are working as hard as their voices."

Muti, who has worked with virtually all the world's great symphonic choirs — from Milan to Berlin to Vienna to Munich to London — in the course of his long career, points out another characteristic that makes the Chicago Symphony Chorus, in his view, "one of the best choruses in the world."

With some choirs, "technical precision goes against

the expression of the word meanings," he says. "They may project the sound perfectly, they may have excellent intonation, but they are as cold as ice. Our chorus has the possibility of fully expressing what the music and text convey together, all the while maintaining purity of sound. That makes all the difference."

Just as a great symphony orchestra has an instantly recognizable sound and style, so too does a great symphony chorus. "When I listen to a recording and nobody tells me who's singing (the choral part), I can usually tell when it's us," says Frazes Hill.

For his part, Wolfe says he lets the music tell him what sort of sound to draw from the chorus — big and brawny for Russian music, transparent for French works — but he admits he tends to ask for more sound from his altos and basses to compensate for the dry acoustics of Orchestra Hall.

Indeed, it's far more difficult for a chorus to maintain the color of their sound when singing softly (think of the ethereal choral entry in the finale of Mahler's "Resurrection" Symphony) than it is to sing loudly, he points out. He works diligently in rehearsal to achieve such subtleties and says he's invariably "thrilled" when his singers deliver them.

"People in this chorus are really cooperative, in addition to being superb musicians," says Wolfe, 72, who's in his 34th season as founder-director of the Colorado Symphony Chorus in Denver. "It's not like I have to butt heads with them — they want to do it."

"Sometimes I will look over a passage in a score and think, 'Oh my God, that is going to take work to get a really warm, beautiful, homogeneous sound from

all these singers!'

"It happened last week when I was preparing the Schubert Mass with them. I began conducting and I couldn't believe what I heard! The beauty of the choral sound was astonishing! It was as if everybody had figured it out beforehand and realized exactly the kind of sound that was needed at that point in the score."

Such is the sterling reputation the Chicago Symphony Chorus has long enjoyed across the nation that well over 100 singers show up each winter to audition for openings in the ensemble. That can be frustrating for applicants, since the turnover rate among chorus personnel is usually no higher than 8 percent, which means there are relatively few openings in a given season. Frustrating for the chorus master as well, since auditioning new and returning choristers — general auditions for chorus vacancies are held in late winter and spring — means making some tough choices.

That's one reason Muti believes it is much more difficult for a chorus director to maintain a choral ensemble at the highest level than it is for a symphony orchestra conductor to achieve the same thing with a group of instrumentalists, many of them long-tenured veterans.

Wolfe considers all 160 choristers professionals, even the roughly 5 percent who are unpaid volunteers. CSO Chorus regulars are tenured singers under full contract with the American Guild of Musical Artists. Associate chorus members are paid on a sliding scale. Wolfe draws on a so-called supplementary chorus whenever additional voices are required to perform such blockbusters as the

Mahler Eighth Symphony.

The plethora of local choral activity has made Chicago a destination for singers, who find they can make a comfortable living shuttling between choral gigs. That was not possible during the more than 60 years that preceded the formation of the CSO Chorus.

As a matter of fact, virtually every member of the Chicago Symphony Chorus sings with Lyric Opera or Grant Park or other area choruses, Wolfe points out. Past and present personnel include choral directors, voice teachers, freelance solo singers, doctors, a stockbroker and even a dog trainer.

Choral repertory for the 60th anniversary season has put the choir's versatility on full display, from its first-ever performances of Gounod's "St. Cecilia" Mass in October to the upcoming Rossini "Stabat Mater," with which Muti will close the season in June.

Clearly Wolfe can't wait for the Rossini rehearsals to begin.

"I feel like I'm just about the luckiest person on the planet, because I get to do this incredible music all the time with incredible performers," he exclaims.

Including a pretty incredible chorus.

Riccardo Muti will lead the Chicago Symphony Chorus and Orchestra, and vocal soloists, in Schubert's Mass No. 6 in E flat major, with works by Weber and Max Raimi rounding out the program, at 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; \$34-\$221; 312-294-3000, www.cso.org.

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Julian Jackson to take broadcast museum reins

Chicago's Museum of Broadcast Communications has named museum design executive Julian Jackson to be its first executive director after founder Bruce DuMont, the museum said Monday in a news release.

Jackson comes to the State Street institution from the Milwaukee Public Museum, where he was vice president of design. Before that he was a design director at Chicago's Adler Planetarium and had his own design firm.

DuMont retired last year after 35 years at the helm of the museum, which is currently showing an immersive "Sat-

urday Night Live" special exhibition showcasing costumes, clips and more from the NBC late-night comedy program.

"There's never been a more important time to be exploring the history, meaning and impact of shared media experiences," Jackson said in a statement, "and the blockbuster 'SNL Experience' is just the beginning of this exciting new chapter for the museum."

The museum has struggled financially through the years. Veteran Chicago radio and television executive Larry Wert took over as MBC board chair in late 2016 and has been working to rejuvenate the institution.

"Julian is uniquely qualified, as well as genuinely enthused about leading the future of the MBC," said Wert, President of Tribune Broadcasting, in the statement. "We are looking forward to new ways and expressions of telling the broadcasting communi-

ations story and the board is excited to be working with Julian to bring life to that vision."

— Steve Johnson

Second City's 42nd e.t.c. revue cast unveiled

The Second City announced the cast for its 42nd e.t.c. revue Tuesday.

Veteran cast members include Sayjal Joshi, Andrew Knox, Alan Lincic and Jasbir Singh Vazquez, who will be joined by newcomers Katie Kershaw and Emily Fightmaster.

Anneliese Toft will direct, with music direction by Jacob Shuda.

The title of the revue has not yet been announced, but the production, billed as being "waaaay out there," will take on everything from aliens to the alienated.

The Second City e.t.c.'s 42nd revue will open April 6 and play in the e.t.c. Theater, 230 W. North Ave.

— Morgan Greene

WATCH THIS: WEDNESDAY



Cameron Cuffe

"Krypton" (9 p.m., Syfy): Superman fans will recognize the title of this new fantasy series as a reference to the doomed home planet of the infant who would grow up on Earth to become the Man of Steel. Here's the twist: This show is set two full generations before Krypton blew up. The action primarily revolves around Seg-El (newcomer Cameron Cuffe), Superman's grandfather, who wrestles with a life-and-death decision about his world's fate.

"The X-Files" (7 p.m., FOX): Series creator Chris Carter wrote and directed "My Struggle IV," the Season 11 finale, which finds Mulder and Scully (David Duchovny, Gillian Anderson) racing to find and save her son, William (guest star Miles Robbins), who has gone on the run. Elsewhere, the Cigarette Smoking Man (guest star William B. Davis) moves forward with his own ultimate plan. Annabeth Gish, James Pickens Jr., Joel McHale and Barbara Hershey also guest star.

"Alone Together" (7:31 p.m., FREE): In the Season 1 finale, "Property Management," Benji and Esther (Benji Aflalo, Esther Povitsky) find themselves smitten with the apparently carefree world of retirement living while he is managing the apartment complex for his brother Dean (Chris D'Elia). It's not long, though, before the pair start to realize maybe it's not quite all it's cracked up to be. Pauly Shore guest stars.

"Life Sentence" (8 p.m., CW): Now serving as an advocate for cancer patients, Stella (Lucy Hale) hopes the positive effects of a process she tried will be the same for someone else (guest star Nadej Bailey) — only to learn the process is no longer available — in the new episode "Clinical Trial and Error." Babysitter Wes (Elliot Knight) gets assistance from Ida (Gillian Vigman). Brooke Lyons also stars.

"SEAL Team" (8:01 p.m., CBS): A mission conducted in daylight poses its own brand of perils in the new episode "Never Get Out of the Boat," as Sonny (A.J. Buckley) is wounded and has to rely on his comrades to save him. On the romantic front, Jason's (David Boreanaz) relationship with Amy (Dawn Olivieri) progresses, and Clay (Max Thieriot) develops doubts about Stella (Alona Tal).

"Chicago P.D." (9 p.m., NBC): In a new episode called "Ghosts," Upton (Tracy Spiridakos) revives one of her former undercover alter egos as part of an operation to help take down a meth ring that is being spearheaded by a former criminal contact. As relentless pressure from Woods (guest star Mykelti Williamson) keeps mounting, Voight (Jason Beghe) decides to call in a favor for Olinsky.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Celebrity guests, music acts and comics.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor James McAvoy; actress Zoey Deutch.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actress Keri Russell; actor Matthew Rhys.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actor Charlie Day; actor Henry Winkler; Sabrina Carpenter and Jonas Blue perform.*

* Subject to change

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WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAR. 21

		MOVIES							
		PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS	2	Survivor (N) ©		(8:01) SEAL Team (N) ©		Criminal Minds: "The Capitanos." (N) ©		News (N) ▶
	NBC	5	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: "Flight Risk."		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (N) ©		Chicago P.D.: "Ghosts." (N) ©		NBC 5 News (N) ▶
	ABC	7	The Goldbergs (N)	Speechless (Season Finale) (N) ©	Modern Family (N)	Am Housewife (N)	Designated Survivor: "In the Dark." (N) ©		News at 10pm (N) ▶
	WGN	9	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N) (Live) ©		WGN News at Ten (N) ▶
	Antenna	9.2	3's Comp.	Soap ©	Benson	Wings ©	Murphy	Becker ©	Coach ©
	This TV	9.3	Breakheart Pass (PG,76) **	Charles Bronson. ©			Chato's Land (PG,72) **	†	
	PBS	11	Chicago Tonight (N)		Nature: "Forest of the Lynx." ©		NOVA: "Roman Catacomb Mystery." ©		Hawking ©
	The U	26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)		The Game	The Game	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©
	MeTV	26.3	Andy Griffith Andy Griffith		Gomer Pyle	Mama's	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett
	H&I	26.4	Star Trek ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek ▶
CABLE	Bounce	26.5	Living Single	Living Single	Black Hawk Down (R,01) ***	Josh Hartnett, Ewan McGregor. ▶			
	FOX	32	The X-Files: "My Struggle IV." (Season Finale) (N) ©		9-1-1: "A Whole New You." (Season Finale) (N) ©		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family ©
	Ion	38	Law & Order: "Sweetie."		Law & Order: "Zero." ©		Law & Order: "Chattel."		Law ▶
	Telem	44	José José, el príncipe (N)		Al otro lado del muro (N)		Enemigo íntimo (N) ©		Chicago (N)
	CW	50	Riverdale (N) ©		Life Sentence (N) ©		Dateline: "Lost in Sin City."		Dateline ▶
	UniMas	60	La niña		La tierra prometida		Reto 4 elementos ▶		
	WJYS	62	Salem Baptist Church		Joyce Meyer	Robison	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Monument
	Univ	66	El rico y Lázaro (N)		Papá a toda madre (N)		Por amar sin ley (N)		Noticias (N)
	AE		Storage	Storage	Storage (N)	Storage (N)	Truck Night in America		Truck ▶
	AMC		Mr. & Mrs. Smith (PG-13,05) **	Brad Pitt, Angelina Jolie. ©			Pirates-Carib. ▶		
ANIM		Treehouse Masters ©		Treehouse Masters: Branched Out (N)		Treehouse ▶			
BBCA		Planet Earth: Life ©		Planet Earth: Life ©		Earth ▶			
BET		† (6) ATL (PG-13,06) **	Tip Harris, Lauren London.			Stomp the Yard (PG-13,07) **			
BIGTEN		† College Baseball (N)		BTN Live 2017-2018 ©		BTN Live 2017-2018 ©			
BRAVO		Hollywood Medium (N)		Mean Girls (PG-13,04) ***	Lindsay Lohan. ©	Watch (N)			
CLTV		News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics	
CNBC		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Secret (N)	Secret Lives	Shark ▶	
CNN		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) ▶	
COM		South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	Daily (N) ▶	
DISC		Street Outlaws: Full		Street Outlaws (N) ©		(9:01) Twin Turbos (N)		Outlaws ▶	
DISN		Bunk'd ©	Bunk'd ©	Bizaardvark	Bizaardvark	Gravity Falls	Gravity Falls	Stuck	
E!		Hollywood Medium		Hollywood Medium (N)		Hollywood Medium		E News (N) ▶	
ESPN		† NBA Basketball: Raptors at Cavaliers (N)		† NBA Basketball: Wizards at Spurs (N) ▶					
ESPN2		† College Basketball (N)		College Basketball (N)				SportCtr (N)	
FNC		Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News	
FOOD		Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games (N)		Guy's Grocery Games		Grocery ▶	
FREE		grown-ish	Alone (Sea-	(8:02) Mr. Popper's Penguins (PG,11) **	†	700 Club ▶			
FX		† (6) The Martian (PG-13,15) **	Matt Damon. ©			Assassination of Gianni Versace (Season Finale) (N)			
HALL		Full House	Full House	The Middle	The Middle	The Middle	The Middle	Golden Girls	
HGTV		Property Brothers ©		Property Brothers (N) ©		Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Property ▶	
HIST		† Frontiersmen		The Men Who Built America: Frontiersmen (N) ©		Frontier ▶			
HLN		Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	
IFC		The Town (R,10) ***	Ben Affleck, Rebecca Hall. ©			The Town ▶			
LIFE		Little Women: LA ©		Little Women: LA (Season Premiere) (N) ©		(9:02) Glam Masters (N)		Little ▶	
MSNBC		All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)	
MTV		Catfish: The TV Show ©		Catfish: The TV Show (N)		(9:01) Fear Factor (N)		Factor (N) ▶	
NBCSCH		NBA Basketball: Denver Nuggets at Chicago Bulls. (N) (Live) ©		Chicago		The Loop (N)			
NICK		The Princess Diaries (G,01) **	Julie Andrews, Anne Hathaway. ©			Full House		Friends ©	
OVATION		† (6) Tango & Cash (R,89) **	†	Draft Day (PG-13,14) **	†	Kevin Costner. ▶			
OWN		20/20 on OWN ©		20/20: Homicide		20/20: Homicide		20/20 ▶	
OXY		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		Drew Peterson: Snapped ▶			
PARMT		Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	The Notebook (PG-13,04) **	†		
SYFY		† Hobbit: Desolation		The Magicians (N) ©		Krypton: "Pilot." (Series Premiere) (N) ©		Hobbit ▶	
TBS		Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Full (N)	Conan (N) ▶	
TCM		Breakfast at Tiffany's (NR,61) ***	Audrey Hepburn.			(9:15) The Way We Were (73) ***	†		
TLC		My 600-Lb. Life: "Renee's Story." (N) ©				Skin Tight (N)		My 600-Lb ▶	
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TNT		Transformers (PG-13,07) ***	Shia LaBeouf, Tyrese Gibson. ©			300 Rise ▶			
TOON		King of Hill	Amer. Dad	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	
TRAV		Expedition Unknown ©		Expedition Unknown (N)		Expedition Unknown ©		Expedition ▶	
TVL		Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Mom ©	Mom ©	King	
USA		NCIS ©		NCIS: "What Lies Above."		NCIS ©		Mod Fam	
VH1		Black Ink Crew ©		Black Ink Crew (N) ©		VH1 Beauty Bar (N) ©		Black Ink ▶	
WE		Maid in Manhattan (PG-13,02) **	Jennifer Lopez. ©			Maid in Manhattan ***			
WGN America		Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ▶	
PREMIUM	HBO	(7:15) Alien: Covenant (R,17) **	Michael Fassbender. ©			High Main.		Book ▶	
	HBO2	Last Week	High Main.	Wanted (R,08) ***	James McAvoy. ©			Unforget ▶	
	MAX	U.S. Marshals (PG-13,98) **	Tommy Lee Jones.			(9:15) Hacksaw Ridge (R,16) ***			
	SHO	† (6:45) Patriots Day (R,16) ***	Mark Wahlberg.			Beyond the Opposite Sex (NR,18) ©			
	STARZ	† (6:21) Legally Blonde **	2012 (PG-13,09) **	John Cusack, Chiwetel Ejiofor. ©	†				
STZNC	† (6:17) Can't Hardly Wait		Top Gun (PG,86) ***	Tom Cruise. ©		Overboard ▶			

Chicago dance productions dominate in April

LAUREN WARNECKE
Dance Card

A tidal wave of dance is upon us. Each April, See Chicago Dance, the city's dance service organization formerly known as Audience Architects, shines a spotlight on the wealth of dance offerings in the spring through an initiative called Chicago Dance Month. In addition to spotlighting an abundance of local and visiting performances all over the city, Chicago Dance Month includes opportunities to try something new and see dance for free. You might come across dancers in the Pedway on your evening commute at Block 37 or see a roaming performance down Michigan Avenue. Curious about a particular company? Many of them are opening their doors with studio showings and open rehearsals on Fridays at the Cultural Center, and in venues all across town.

The point is, April is a prime time to get your dance fix:

At the MCA: The MCA brings Bessie Award-winning choreographer Okpokwasili from New York for "Poor People's TV Room." The production, created in collaboration with Okpokwasili's creative partner Peter Born, draws from two key events in Nigeria — the 2014 kidnapping of 300 girls by Boko Haram, and the "Women's War" of 1929 protesting British colonialism — to illuminate stories about resistance movements driven by women. Okpokwasili performs with an intergenerational cast of women, using dance, song and text to reference the "TV Room," a metaphorical space in which the history of a place is stored by the body.



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"Poor People's TV Room," left, from Okwui Okpokwasili, will be presented at the MCA and Giordano Dance Chicago will feature "Tossed Around."

April 12-15 at the Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, 220 E. Chicago Ave., \$30 at 312-397-4010 and www.mcachicago.org.

By the Joffrey: The Joffrey Ballet caps its season with the North American premiere of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" by Alexander Ekman. Not at all like the Shakespearean tale, the Swede who brought us audience favorites such as "Episode 31" and "Joy" celebrates the summer solstice with a distinctly Scandinavian bent. Expect gluttony, merriment and an abundance of earthly delights. April 25-May 6 at the Auditorium Theatre, 50 E. Congress Parkway, \$34-\$174 at 312-386-8905 and www.joffrey.org.

See for free: The Chicago Dance Month Kickoff Celebration will feature an afternoon performance (time to be announced) in Preston Bradley Hall followed by a reception Tuesday at the Chicago Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington St; more information at

www.seechicagodance.com. Pop-up performances in the Pedway and throughout Block 37 will be from 4:30 to 6 p.m. April 10 in Block 37, 108 N. State St. The Chicago Dance Month Celebration and Scavenger Hunt will be a progressive event that starts on the steps of the Cultural Center and continues down Michigan Avenue, with site-specific performances along the way and concluding with a reception along the Riverwalk; 4:30 to 6 p.m. April 30. And Open Studios, with a variety of Chicago dance companies offering performances, will be 4:30 to 6 p.m. Fridays from Friday to May 11 in the Chicago Cultural Center Dance Studio.

OK, technically Giordano Dance Chicago and Hubbard Street Dance Chicago aren't performing in Chicago Dance Month proper, but indulge me. These two local stalwarts of jazz and contemporary dance are performing on the same nights, in differ-

ent venues:

Giordano Dance Chicago: The typically energetic Giordano dancers will be pushed to their limits in the upcoming Spring Series at the Harris Theater, with rep including new works by Davis Robertson and GDC alum Joshua Blake Carter, plus two electrifying pieces created 10 years apart: "Pyrokinesis" (2007) by former Alvin Ailey dancer Christopher Huggins and Ray Mercer's "Tossed Around," premiered last fall. 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Harris Theater for Music and Dance, 205 E. Randolph Drive; \$15-75 at 312-334-7777 and www.harris-theaterchicago.org.

Hubbard Street Dance Chicago: Hubbard Street returns to the Auditorium Theatre for its first solo engagement in 20 years, with a program featuring work by resident choreographer Alejandro Cerrudo, including a world premiere. (Disclosure: My wife is Hubbard Street's stage

manager.) 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Auditorium Theatre, 50 E. Congress Parkway; \$29-110 at 312-635-3799 and www.hubbardstreetdance.com.

More dance news

■ The Joffrey Ballet received a \$1 million grant from the Alphawood Foundation on March 7. The money is earmarked for audience engagement and marketing initiatives.

■ Giordano Dance Chicago recently acquired the Hermon Baptist Church in Lincoln Park, slated to be the future home for the 55-year-old jazz dance company. An ambitious renovation is expected to be complete by 2021. The 19th-century brick facade at 1754 N. Clark St. will remain, encased in a new dramatic glass enclosure.

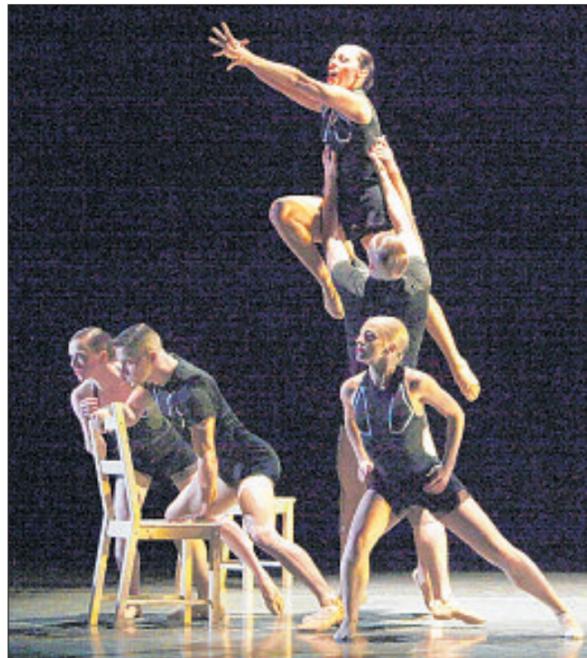
■ DanceWorks Chicago and Thodos Dance Chicago announced a joint venture to revive "New Dances" at the Ruth Page Center for the Arts. Thodos Dance Chicago produced the choreographic incubator

from 2000 to 2017. Director Melissa Thodos folded her ensemble last year but is continuing to choreograph on a project-by-project basis. Now, "New Dances" will move rehearsal locations from the Menomonee Club to the Ruth Page Center. Performances will take place June 29 and July 1 at the Ruth Page Center Theater, 1016 N. Dearborn Parkway; more information at www.ruthpage.org.

■ See Chicago Dance and "Layla and Majnun" were awarded the 2018 Ruth Page Awards, presented onstage at the Harris Theater for Music and Dance on March 16 by Venetia Stifler, executive and artistic director of the Ruth Page Center for the Arts. Over the past five years, the awards have begun to acknowledge artists, productions and organizations outside of Chicago.

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (March 21): Rising family fortunes shine on this year. Coordinate disciplined action for career growth. Summer home renovations set the stage for romance, once a community challenge gets resolved; prepare for breakthroughs next winter. Contribute, collaborate and pull together.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Read, write and edit. You're especially good with words today and tomorrow. Express what's in your heart. Share a shout out for someone deserving.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 9. Keep showing up. Perform to the best of your abilities. You're earning accolades and valuable reward. Spend within the budget to get what you need. **Gemini** (May 21-June 22): 9. Allow more time for personal matters over the next few days. Nurture yourself with a new look. Indulge your own passions and enthusiasms.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 6. Slow down to consider options. New circumstances could change the game. Look for hidden opportunities. Consider what's best for your heart, mind, body and spirit.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 7. Show up for your friends and they do the same for you. Share resources, information and comfort. Teamwork proves especially valuable today and tomorrow. **Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. A professional prize is within reach over the next few days. Forge ahead and go for it! Your team is with you. Create opportunities.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. The news could affect your decisions. Study your route and destination. Leave sufficient time to make your connections. Explore and investigate.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Handle paperwork and financial, legal or insurance matters today and tomorrow. Monitor and contribute to shared accounts. Pull together for common gain.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. You and a partner cook up something delicious over the next few days. Compromise and stay receptive to another's view. Join forces for shared objectives.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Energy floods your work, health and fitness practices. Keep in motion to maintain momentum. Demand for your attention keeps you dancing.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Integrate new faces into your circle of family and friends. Spend time with someone particularly attractive. Relax, and enjoy the company.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 7. Home sucks you into its seductive enchantments. Create an inviting atmosphere with lighting, color and textiles. Cook up something wonderful for your family.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn



Bliss By Harry Bliss



Bridge

East-West vulnerable, South deals

North		East
♠ J 7		♠ 8 5
♥ K 7 6 5		♥ 9 2
♦ A J 10 5		♦ 9 7 4 3 2
♣ 8 5 3		♣ J 10 7 4
South		
♠ A 4 3 2		
♥ A 10 3		
♦ K		
♣ A Q 9 6 2		

South had a difficult rebid after his partner's negative double. His choice of two no trump was reasonable, but it led to a contract that was against the odds to come home. Even a 3-2 split in clubs with the king onside wouldn't be enough as there was only one entry to dummy and the diamonds were "blocked". Unblocking the diamonds before playing on clubs would set up a potential diamond entry for West even if the clubs were friendly.

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♣	1♠	Dbt*	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All pass

*Negative
Opening lead: King of ♠

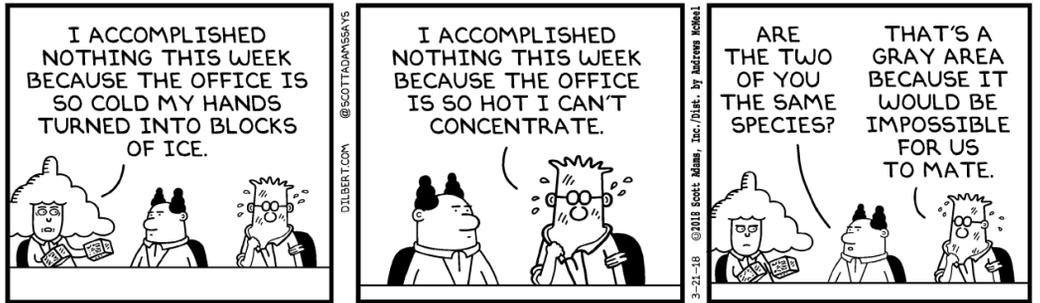
diamond problem, but the clubs were more important. South decided to start clubs by leading the ace from his hand. Should East hold the king of clubs, he would still have it later when a club was led from dummy toward the queen. Declarer's excellent technique was richly rewarded when the king of clubs fell under the ace. South continued with a low club to dummy's eight, losing to East's 10.

South won the heart shift in his hand with the ace, cashed the king of diamonds, and then crossed to dummy with the king of hearts. He cashed the ace of diamonds, discarding a spade from his hand, and led a club to his nine. That was nine tricks and his contract, and a loud "well done" from his partner.

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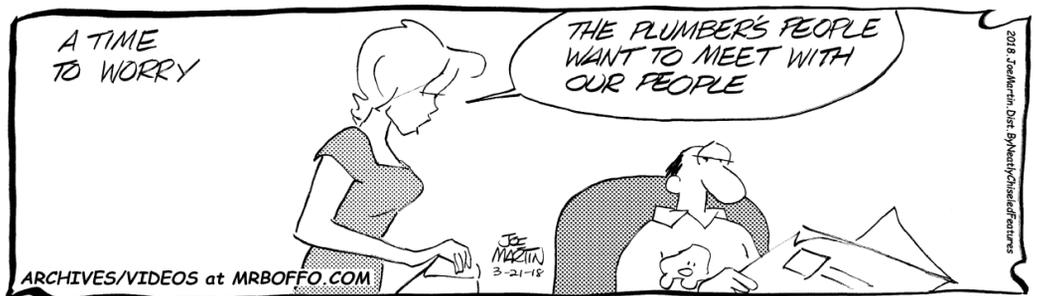
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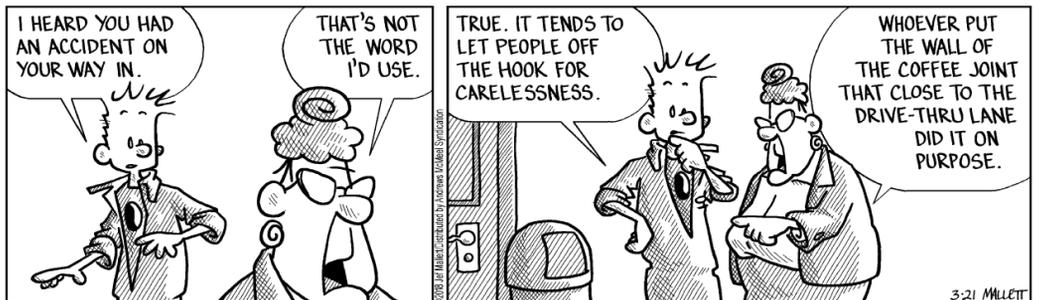
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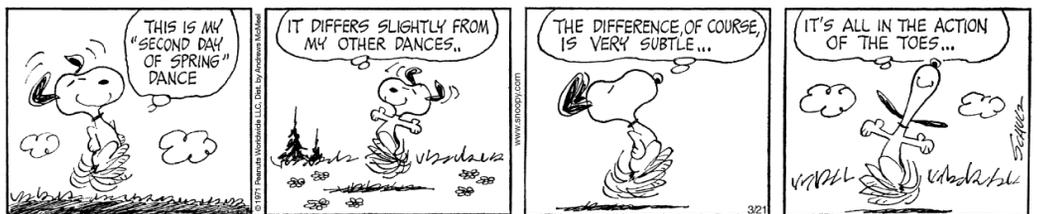
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Frazz By Jef Mallett



Classic Peanuts By Charles Schulz



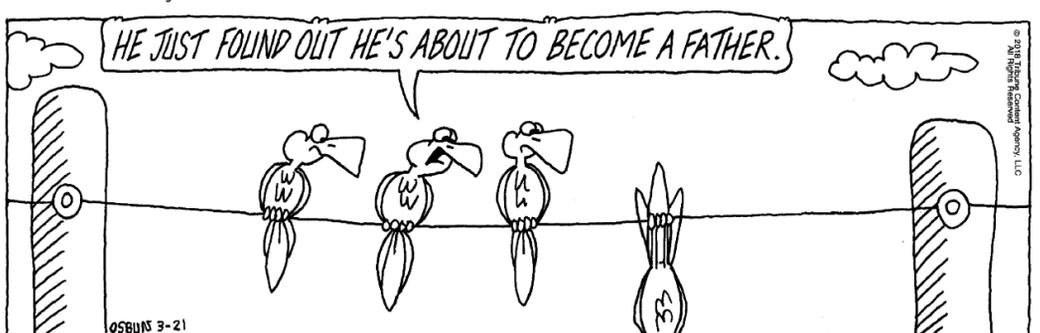
Pickles By Brian Crane (Pickles is on vacation until April 2. Please enjoy this strip from 2003.)



Dick Tracy By Joe Staton and Mike Curtis



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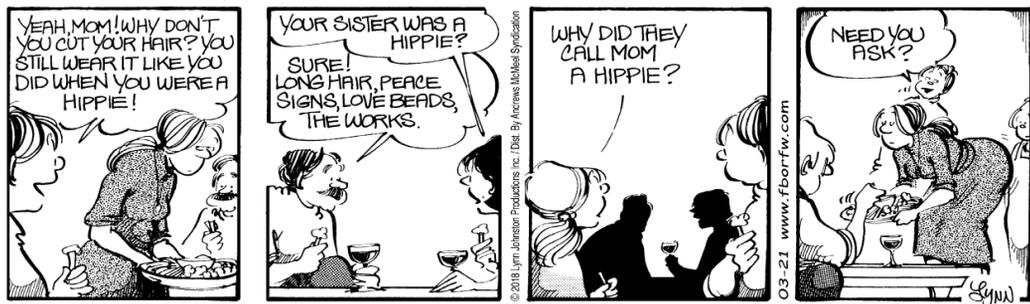
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Dustin By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



For Better or for Worse By Lynn Johnston



Blondie By Dean Young and John Marshall



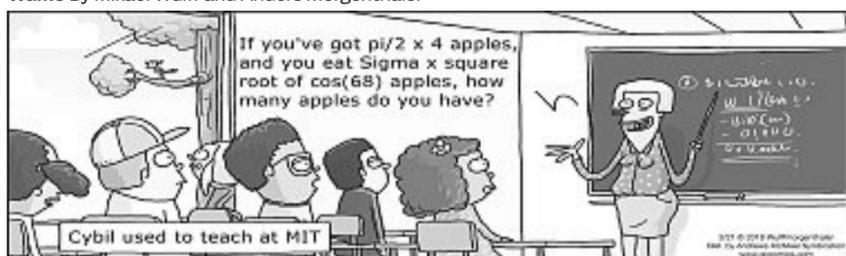
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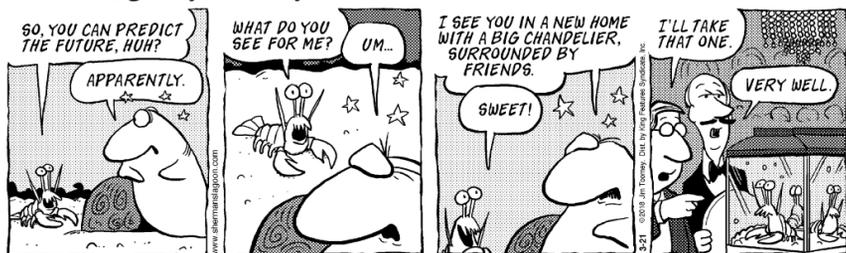
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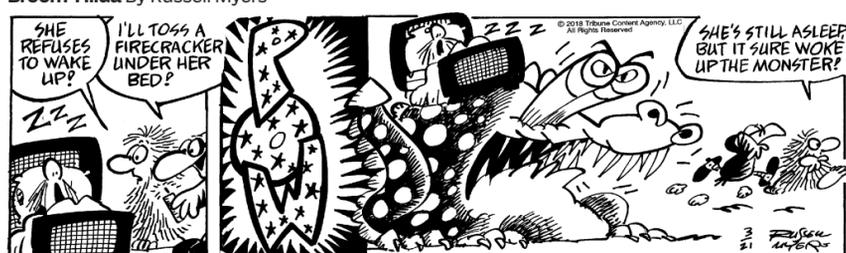
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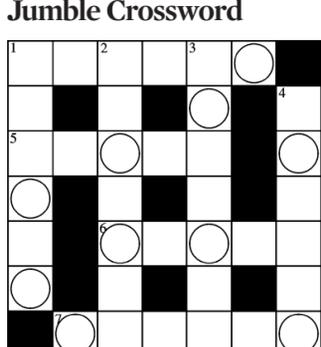
Broom-Hilda By Russell Myers



Trivia Bits

Played during the medal ceremonies for a lot of Olympic speed skating events, "Het Wilhelmus" (or "Wilhelmus van Nassouwe") is the national anthem of what country?
A) Japan
B) The Netherlands
C) Norway
D) South Korea
Tuesday's answer: They were standouts on the Harvard varsity crew team.
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Jumble Crossword



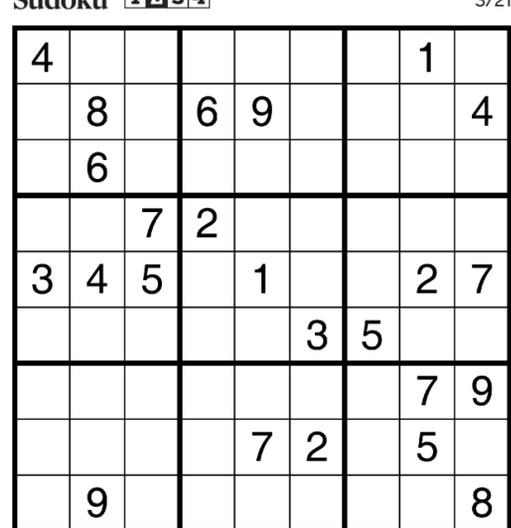
CLUE ACROSS
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5. Fix up, modernize
6. Script direction
7. Myth
ANSWER
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FTIER
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CLUE DOWN
1. Amicably
2. Let down
3. Outhouse
4. Bud
ANSWER
AYLMWR
FEADLET
INLAETR
EDNFIR

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.
3-21-18
CLUE: Almost all of Audrey Hepburn's singing was dubbed in this film.
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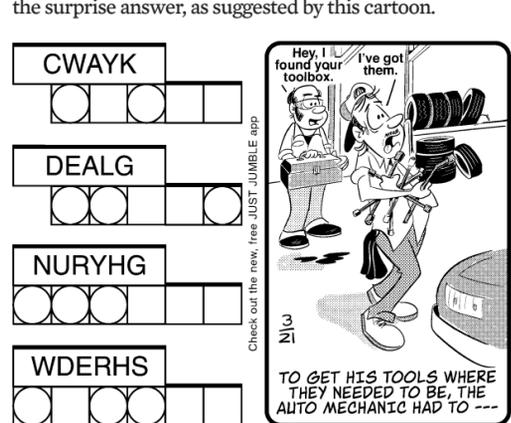


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Tuesday's solutions
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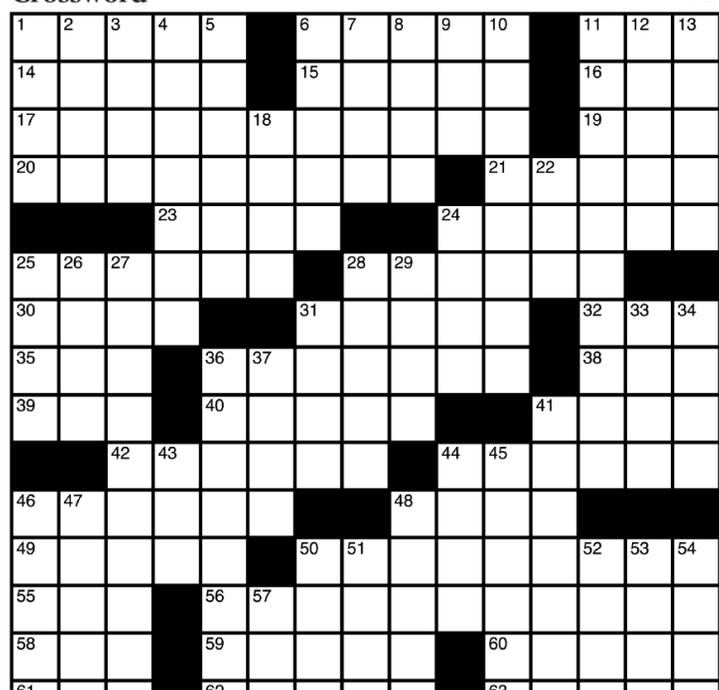
Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.



Tuesday's answers
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Answer: The bird that accidentally flew inside the house — CAUSED A FLAP
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Crossword

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Across
1 Jordan's capital
6 Amounts to
11 Cleveland hoopster
14 Tour leader
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HEALTH & FAMILY

Oral cancer epidemic in men

HPV can outwit body's defenses; vaccine halts it

By **MARIE MCCULLOUGH**
Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — Five years ago, when actor Michael Douglas candidly revealed that his throat cancer was linked to having oral sex, two things happened.

He made headlines that mortified his family. And he helped publicize the fact that a pervasive, sexually transmitted virus called HPV was unleashing an epidemic of oral cancer among men.

Since then, scientists have made headway in figuring out why HPV, the human papillomavirus, has this glaring gender bias. Men are four times more likely than women to be diagnosed with oral cancer, a hard-to-detect, hard-to-treat disease that has overtaken cervical cancer as the most common HPV-related malignancy in the U.S.

To be sure, changes in sexual norms over the last few generations have played a role in this alarming trend. But research increasingly shows the real problem is something men have practically no control over: their immune response.

Compared with women, men are more likely to get infected with HPV — including “high-risk” cancer-causing strains. They also are less able to wipe out infection on their own, and more likely to get re-infected. The reasons are unclear.

“There is good evidence that men acquire oral infections more readily than women, even if they have similar sex practices,” said Ashish A. Deshmukh, a University of Florida HPV researcher. “And more than the acquisition, it’s the persistence of the virus. The clearance rate is not that fast in men.”

Michael Becker, 49, of Yardley, Pa., has stepped up as the face of this immunological inequity. The former biotech executive is health-conscious, clean-living, happily married for 26 years — and battling terminal oropharyngeal cancer, the medical term for malignancies in parts of the mouth and throat.

He’s also battling the misconceptions and ignorance that keep too many parents from protecting their pubescent children — especially boys — against HPV-driven cancers. Two shots. That’s all it takes for the leading vaccine, Gardasil, to prevent most cervical cancers, less common



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Two shots of the vaccine Gardasil can protect against HPV infection and prevent virus-linked cervical and oral cancers.



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Actor Michael Douglas has revealed his throat cancer is linked to oral sex and HPV.

genital malignancies and the disease that is killing Becker.

“I can’t tell you how many emails I got from parents after the CBS segment,” he said, referring to a national television interview earlier this year. “They said, ‘What do you mean

this vaccine is for boys?’ and, ‘What do you mean oral cancer incidence has eclipsed cervical cancer?’”

HPV is a family of more than 100 virus types that can live in the flat, thin cells on the surface of the skin, cervix, vagina, anus, vulva, penis, mouth and throat.

The virus is spread through contact with infected skin, mucous membranes and bodily fluids. Some types can be passed during intercourse or oral sex, as pointed out by Douglas, who later explained that the cancer was at the base of his tongue.

While virtually all sexually active people will get infected at some point, the virus is usually wiped out by the immune system without so much as a symptom.

But not always. In the cervix, persistent infection with high-risk HPV types can lead to

precancerous changes that, left alone, slowly turn malignant. Fortunately, the Pap smear enables the detection and removal of abnormal cells before cancer develops. What’s more, age-related changes in cervical cells reduce the risk that HPV will take hold there as women get older.

No such screening test exists for oropharyngeal sites — the tongue, soft palate, tonsils, the throat behind the nasal cavity — and symptoms usually don’t appear until cancer is advanced. Becker, for example, had metastatic disease by the time he noticed a lump under his jaw line in late 2015.

Traditionally, smoking and heavy alcohol use are the big risk factors for oral cancer, but the non-HPV tumors linked to these bad habits have been declining in recent years.

HPV-related tumors, in

contrast, have increased more than 300 percent over the last 20 years. The virus is now found in 70 percent of all new oral cancers.

About 13,200 new HPV oral cancers are diagnosed in U.S. men each year, compared with 3,200 in women, according to federal data. Treatment — surgery, chemotherapy, radiation — can have disfiguring, disabling side effects. About half of late-stage patients die within five years.

Oral HPV infection rates are skewed by gender, just like the resulting cancers. The latest national estimates of this disparity, published in October, come from Deshmukh and his University of Florida colleagues. They used a federal health survey that collected DNA specimens to estimate that 7.3 percent of men and 1.4 percent of women have oral infections with high-risk HPV types. That trans-

lates to 7 million men and 1.4 million women.

The chance of oral infection increases for women as well as men who have simultaneous genital HPV infections or a history of many sex partners, but male infection rates still far surpass female rates.

Patti Gravitt, an HPV researcher at George Washington University, believes these estimates are a bit oversimplified because women counted as uninfected may actually have undetectably low virus levels, or HPV may be hiding in a dormant state in their cells.

Still, Gravitt said the study is in line with others that suggest “men are more susceptible to HPV viral infection than women.”

In women, an HPV infection usually sets off the body’s defense mechanisms. The immune system makes antibodies that kill off the invader, then immune cells remain on guard, ready to attack if the virus reappears.

But in men, something goes awry. The HIM study — for HPV in Men — documented that by collecting genital, anal and oral samples from 4,100 unvaccinated men in Florida, Mexico and Brazil between 2005 and 2009. The samples were tested for the presence of two high-risk HPV types and two that cause genital warts.

Among 384 men who developed infections during a 24-month period, only 8 percent produced antibodies. But this response rate varied depending on the site of infection; none of the small number of orally infected men produced antibodies.

Rather than putting the immune system on guard and protecting men from the virus, infection sharply increased the chance of getting infected again with the exact same HPV type. And many men who got reinfected were celibate at the time.

How could this be? Anna R. Giuliano, the researcher at the Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa, Fla., who led the HIM study, said recurring infections may be due to reactivation of dormant virus, or to auto-inoculation — the man spreads infection from one part of his body to another. Or to something else entirely.

While the scientific understanding of this puzzle is evolving, one implication is clear. “HPV vaccination is the only reliable method to ensure immune protection against new HPV infections and subsequent disease in males,” Giuliano and her co-authors declared in a recent paper.

It’s not ‘walk up’ vs. ‘walk out’; kids can do both



HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

Why not walk up and out?

It’s not an either/or — not an honest one, anyway. Jodie Katsetos, a sixth-grade teacher in Virginia, posted a photo on Facebook of a sign she made for her classroom, urging her

students to “Walk up NOT out?” The sign offers four alternatives to the school walkouts that thousands of students across the country participated in last week. (Another national walkout day is scheduled for April 20.)

“Walk up to the kid who sits alone and ask him to join your group.”

“Walk up to the kid who never has a voluntary partner and offer to be hers.”

“Walk up to your teachers and thank them.”

“Walk up to someone

and just be nice.”

Ryan Petty, whose daughter was shot to death at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in February, posted a similar message Tuesday on Twitter.

“Walk up to the kid who

sits alone at lunch and invite him to sit with your group; walk up to the kid who sits quietly in the corner of the room and sit next to her. ... Walk up to your teachers and thank

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Huddle up with the Tribune’s Rich Campbell and Dan Wiederer as they take you inside the Bears beat with a weekly podcast. From the practice field to gameday, they’re your eyes and ears for all things Bears.



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7 tips to keep your brain running sharp

Research shows the gray matter is highly modifiable

By **LESLIE BARKER**
Dallas Morning News

When it comes to our hearts, even the nonmedical types among us pretty much know what we need to be doing. In a nutshell: exercising and eating right.

But when it comes to our brains, guidelines tend to be foggier. Besides, we figure, since we're probably as smart as we'll ever be, what can we possibly do?

Plenty, but let's start with this reminder: Just because right this second you can't remember the name of your first-grade teacher, that doesn't mean your smarts are on the wane. Not by a long shot.

"Science is showing for the first time in 30 years that our brain is the most modifiable part of our body and easiest to strengthen, more than our heart or teeth," says Sandra Bond Chapman, founder and chief director of the Center for BrainHealth at the University of Texas at Dallas. The center opened a new facility in October: the Brain Performance Institute, which offers scientifically based programs to enhance brain performance and health.

Strengthening your brain is more than decreasing the chance of developing dementia. Instead, it's about increasing brain health, two words not often thought of in the same breath when Chapman started her center in 1999.

Here are tips from Chapman and other experts:

Exercise.

This isn't completely surprising. What, after all, isn't made better by exercise?

Fitness has been linked to a healthier brain in a study by University of Texas Southwestern's O'Donnell Brain Institute



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Experts suggest taking five minutes five times a day to let your brain stop — a form of resetting the cerebral engine.

and the Institute for Exercise and Environmental Medicine at Texas Health Presbyterian Dallas.

"We think if you have a good cardiovascular fitness level, your heart is stronger and blood supply healthier, and you have a better chance to get enough blood supply for the brain," says Dr. Kan Ding, a neurologist with the Brain Institute and lead author of the study. "That's very important for brain health, because the brain is a very unique organ. All the energy it needs is from blood from the rest of the body, so blood supply is very important for the brain."

The study examined the fitness levels of people who

had a high risk for developing dementia by having them walk on a treadmill. Then they underwent a special MRI sequence called diffusion tensor imaging, "which is able to show us all the white matter in your brain," she says, "and how the neurons connect to each other."

The result: "The higher your fitness level, the better the highway system in your brain. Those with the better highway system did better on our cognitive performance test, on brain games to test how fast you respond to a question, or how many words you can remember."

Aim for 30 minutes most days, which is what Ding says is now her goal as a

result of her research.

Take five.

In this 24/7 world, there is always something with which to clog or entertain our brain. But, Chapman says, "our brain loves to be reset. Five-by-five is what we call it. Take five minutes five times a day to let your brain stop. It could be a walk around where you are inside, or go outside. Let your engine reset."

Stop multitasking.

Ah, how tempting it is to be talking on the phone while surfing online while cooking dinner. But that is making our brain networks "more frayed," Chapman says. "Brain efficiency

breaks down. We're making an older brain out of a younger brain."

The paradox, she says, is that people tend to think, "I'm doing three things at once, so I must be more efficient." However, she says, "When you try to do three things at once, there are more errors, they take longer to do and they're more shallow."

Up your fruit and vegetable intake.

"The way we eat affects our energy; it affects our glucose," Chapman says. "Our brain is a greedy animal. If we're eating foods that require a lot of digestive juices, that takes away from our brain. What's

good for your heart is good for your brain."

Practice innovative thinking.

"Our brain is wired to see things in new ways and to be figuring out things," Chapman says. So while memorization is fine, "the brain gets jaded the more things we do on rote. Innovative thinking in our world that's always changing helps keep mental independence. Our brain is built to do this until the day we die."

Thank someone using different words. Think of a different way to phrase a subject line or the contents of an email. "What's a way to reframe a conversation with a family member," she asks, "to see things from a broader perspective?"

Take a tech timeout.

"Take a respite. You'll see a quick rebound and guess what? You haven't missed that much," Chapman says. "If we were to take away technology from meetings, we could end them in 20 minutes. People say, 'You don't understand. Clients expect me to respond right away.' I say, 'No. They're paying for your brain.'"

Believe in your brain.

Our brain system starts slowing down as early as our 40s, Chapman says, "but only because we let it." True, some people will develop Alzheimer's, especially because the population is aging. But, she adds, "on average, 87 percent of people won't." And if we're genetically prone to Alzheimer's but have taken care of our brains, we'll have reserve to maybe push back the symptoms by three to five years, she says.

"Healthy lifestyle factors can mitigate the onset, but we don't necessarily know exactly how long," she says. Even without that knowledge though, "Why wouldn't we build brain reserve?"

He grew up on these pages. So long, son.



CHRIS ERSKINE
The Middle Ages

We lost our oldest son to a car accident early March 4. He was returning from work and the freeway was dark; there had been some sort of collision ahead of him ... a disabled car waiting in ambush. The impact pushed his little gray Civic into another lane, where it was broadsided by an SUV, killing our son instantly.

There are no words when your son won't ever come home again, grumble about the Lakers, tease his poor mom.

He lived with us off and on, but mostly on. Late at night we now keep waiting to hear his key in the lock or the rattle of pots in the kitchen as he makes some sort of midnight snack — rattle, bang, beep.

Oh, gawd, the stuff he ate. Frozen pizza and that terrible/wonderful corned beef hash straight from the can.

Just 32, Christopher grew up on these pages — my first columns featured him when he was an 11-year-old second baseman with some serious major league aspirations.

The boy is standing in the batting cage, crushing baseballs and singing a Sinatra song.

"You make me feel so young ..."

Thwaaaaack!

"You make me feel there are songs to be sung ..."

Thwaaaaack!

The rest of the country is still chipping ice off the sidewalks, and here we are at the batting cage on a recent sunny day, hitting baseballs and feeling young, saluting spring in early February.

(— from a column, Feb. 4, 1998)

I referred to him back then as "the boy" because at



CHRIS ERSKINE PHOTO

Christopher Erskine's first loves were baseball and the outdoors.

that time there was only one. We were each other's shadow till he was 14 and became more independent and a little ornery.

It's a loaded relationship: the father, the son. Tense, biting, beautiful.

We were each other's enemies for a while, when I insisted that if he listened to only one person in the world, it'd best be either his mother or me. He thought about that a long time.

Against our better judgment, we stuck with him. Mostly, we were glad we did.

He once saved a buddy's life when his friend had a seizure while driving the 710 Freeway. Our son heroically reached across from the passenger seat and guided the car across five lanes as the buddy slumped against the wheel.

By his mid-20s we were close again. Of course, he was still a snarky, semi-tamed pain in the butt. He was a son.

What a glorious son. He was amazing in many ways. Not a big resume, no fancy college in his past. Worked for a while with NFL Films, knocked about as a grip, took assorted production jobs.

He was generous in spirit, lit up a room, pre-

ferred the steepest hiking trails. For years I tried to make him a Cubs fan, but he was too smart for that.

"Hey, Dad, I'm sticking with the Dodgers," he'd always say.

Such a goofball ... possibly a savant. He had an encyclopedic memory of anything to do with sports. I mean, I've been around some very smart sportswriters and sportscasters, and he was their equal in terms of depth of knowledge.

In his spare time he liked to read Plato and Voltaire, which were on his Kindle when he died. I mean, who does that, except for someone with a pretty rich inner life?

Light a candle for Posh, who already has her challenges. Say an Irish prayer, hug your kids a little extra tight tonight.

But don't fret for us too much. Our church has been phenomenal. It was packed to the gills on the gloomy Saturday we had the service.

Pastor Chuck held us steady. Christopher's childhood buddy, Beau, sang Sinatra. An old teammate, Matt, somehow made us all laugh.

"There are no words," as everyone says, but there are

piles of food and flowers at home that threaten to swallow up the entire block.

Even the postman stopped in to pay his respects.

He was a glorious son and a smiling memory to everyone he ever met.

Of course, people keep asking me if there's anything else they can do, and I think: "How about a lobotomy? Or maybe a heart transplant? Could you maybe do that?"

Because the human body was not built for such debilitating grief. The lungs are too weak and the heart is too tender. We are not engineered for this.

My son leaves behind a giant tribe of friends and neighbors who will somehow see us through. He leaves behind two gorgeous sisters and a little brother who lost his very best buddy — the guy he goofed with, worshipped and adored.

And he leaves us that silly Siberian husky he brought home a year ago, the one that thinks there's a squirrel in every tree we pass.

So frisky, hopeful and full of life. You know, like his owner was.

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Walk up to others, but keep marching

Stevens, from Page 1

them; walk up to someone who has different views than you and get to know them — you may be surprised at how much you have in common."

These are fantastic ideas. They are not alternatives to activism. They are partners to it.

The Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center has as its mission:

"To use the history and lessons of the Holocaust to transform the future — to

equip all visitors with the knowledge, skills and courage to take a stand for humanity."

"Each year," the mission statement continues, "we em-

power and enable 150,000 students, teachers and visitors to become upstanders for social justice, to speak out against intolerance and genocide and to lead by example."

Upstanders for social justice.

Any sincere push for social change needs loud, disruptive (which isn't the same as violent; don't be the person who tries to conflate the two) demands for change. Students walking out of the very buildings where they're used as targets is necessary and perfect.

That doesn't crowd out humanity. The effective movements have both. They always have.

Sandy Hook Promise, a national nonprofit founded by family members of the children killed at Sandy Hook Elementary School in December 2012, works to prevent gun violence in several ways. One is to promote actions similar to the

"walk up" suggestions.

It's even partnered with No One Eats Alone Day, an annual event encouraging kids to make sure none of their classmates spends lunch alone.

Laura Talmus launched No One Eats Alone Day through Beyond Differences, a nonprofit she and her husband created after their daughter, Lili, died from complications from Apert syndrome. Talmus told me she reached out to Sandy Hook Promise after reading a quote in The

New York Times from the father of a shooting victim.

"He said the shooter was probably a kid who sat by himself every day," Talmus said, "and if his son were still

alive, he was the type of kid who would have reached out to kids who sat by themselves."

Every kid should hear that story.

And they should also feel free and empowered to march in that boy's honor — in every shooting victim's honor.

Absolutely walk up. But don't stop there. We need wholesale change in the way we approach this nation's gun violence epidemic, and kids being nicer to their classmates isn't going to get us there.

Kids know that, which is why thousands of them flooded the streets Wednesday, and why they'll keep marching for weeks, months, years if they need to.

They know how to weave together activism and humanity. And we can join them, or we can get out of their way.

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Any sincere push for social change needs loud, disruptive demands for change.

Colonoscopy may be linked to higher appendicitis risk

BY STEVEN REINBERG
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A colonoscopy can save your life by detecting and removing colon cancer, but it might also trigger appendicitis, a recent study suggests.

Experts aren't sure exactly why that happens, and, fortunately, it's rare. And it shouldn't stop you from getting a colonoscopy, according to lead researcher Dr. Marc Basson.

"Having a colonoscopy, or something about a colonoscopy, predisposes you to have appendicitis in the next week," said Basson, senior associate dean at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

Though the appendicitis risk is small, it's at least four times higher the week after a colonoscopy than in the 51 weeks that follow, the study found. And by some measures, the increase is 12 times higher.

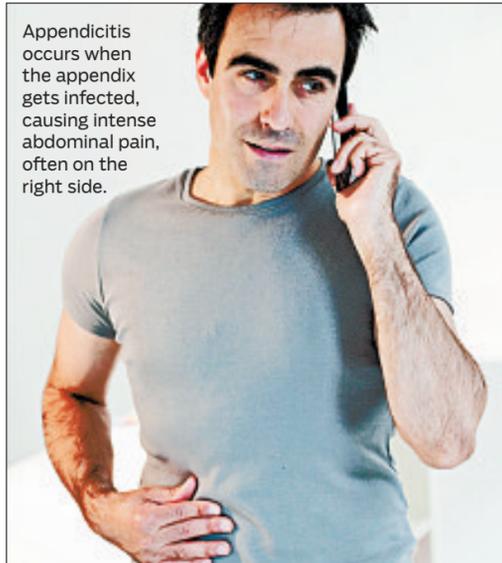
A colonoscopy involves advancing a flexible instrument through the rectum to the colon, or large intestine, to detect polyps or precancerous growths.

The appendix is a small, tube-shaped sac attached to an opening into the large intestine. Appendicitis occurs when it gets infected, causing intense abdominal pain, often on the right side. Treatment usually involves surgery to remove it, though sometimes antibiotics are enough.

Most cases of appendicitis occur in children and young adults. The older one gets, the rarer it is, Basson said.

He said he has seen a number of patients who experienced appendicitis after a colonoscopy, but this study is the first to go beyond anecdotal evidence to gauge the risk.

"Colonoscopy is generally a safe test, and the risk of having appendicitis is



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Appendicitis occurs when the appendix gets infected, causing intense abdominal pain, often on the right side.

lower than the risk of having some of the other complications," Basson said.

More common complications of a colonoscopy include an allergic reaction to the sedative, bleeding from the site where a polyp was removed and a tear in the colon.

Using data from the Fargo Veterans Affairs Health Care System, Basson's team reviewed medical information on nearly 393,000 veterans nationwide who had a screening colonoscopy between January 2009 and June 2014.

Exactly how a colonoscopy leads to appendicitis isn't clear, Basson said. He thinks it might stem from preparations for the procedure. Those preparations clear the bowel, which can cause changes in gut bacteria that could result in an infected appendix, he said.

Or, Basson said, pressure created in the bowel by the procedure itself might trigger an appendicitis attack.

Basson said doctors

should be on watch for appendicitis after a colonoscopy, especially if a patient complains of continued abdominal discomfort.

One specialist says some patients may already be suffering from mild appendicitis, which the colonoscopy aggravates.

"There are potential biological reasons for why this association was found. It is possible, however, that this association may be due to an artifact of the data," said Dr. Andrew Chan, a professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School.

For example, it could be that some people are having a colonoscopy to evaluate abdominal symptoms associated with mild appendicitis that may be diagnosed only after the exam, he said.

"Thus, it may only look like the incidence of appendicitis is higher immediately after a colonoscopy," said Chan, who was not involved with the study.

The report was published online earlier this year in the journal JAMA Surgery.

PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Black pepper's medicinal benefits recognized for thousands of years

BY JOE GRAEDON AND TERESA GRAEDON
King Features Syndicate

Q: I often hear about the medicinal benefits of various herbs and spices. However, I don't typically hear about pepper, a widely available spice. Has there been any research to suggest what benefits it may have?

A: Black pepper (*Piper nigrum*) has been prized for millennia. The pharaohs of ancient Egypt were mummified with peppercorns in their nostrils, presumably to signify their high status in the afterlife. Venetian merchants were able to build luxurious mansions in large part because they controlled the trade in spices, especially black pepper, during the 15th century.

Although pepper is no longer considered a luxury spice, it does appear to have medicinal benefits. Researchers are exploring the power of piperine, a key component of black pepper, as an anticancer agent (Current Medicinal Chemistry, online, May 23, 2017).

Piperine is an antioxidant and antimicrobial compound. In addition, it lowers blood cholesterol, fights inflammation, improves digestion and increases absorption of some herbal and conventional drugs (Phytotherapy Research, August 2013). One of these is turmeric (curcumin), which is notoriously hard to absorb.

Q: I have a thyroid condition called Hashimoto's. My TSH is usually normal, but my thyroid antibodies are almost always abnormal in thyroid panel tests.

A year ago, my doctor finally prescribed Synthroid. I consistently had normal tests, but my symptoms got worse. I could not lose weight,



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Researchers are exploring the power of piperine, a key part of black pepper, as an anticancer agent.

and my hair was falling out. I was depressed and tired, but I had problems sleeping. I felt like my brain was in a fog.

Last week my doctor switched me to Armour desiccated thyroid. I am already feeling sharper and more upbeat. Why isn't Armour used more often?

A: In Hashimoto's thyroiditis, the immune system attacks the thyroid gland. That is why your anti-thyroid antibodies have been elevated. The consequence of this condition is that the thyroid gland may lose its ability to produce adequate thyroid hormone.

An underactive thyroid gland is usually treated with synthetic levothyroxine (Synthroid, Levothyroid, Levoxyl). This is also called T4. The tissues of the body convert T4 to T3, the active thyroid hormone, when they need it.

Armour and other desiccated thyroid extracts are derived from dried pig thyroid glands. It contains T3 as well as T4, although the ratio differs from that of human thyroids. Some people do not convert T4 to T3 efficiently. They may feel better on a medication that supplies both hormones. Many endocrinologists worry, however, that controlling the dose with naturally variable preparations is too difficult.

Q: I noticed a plantar

wart on the ball of my foot two months ago. Salicylic acid plasters did not work. What home remedies could I try?

A: Readers suggest mixing turmeric with olive oil and applying a small amount to the wart under a waterproof bandage. Others have had success with a daily drop of tincture of iodine, tea tree oil, clear nail polish or peppermint oil.

Q: I have taken zolpidem (Ambien) for years. You have written about the dangers of such sleep aids, so I decided to cut back. I spent several weeks hardly sleeping at all.

Melatonin has been helpful, though not perfect. Does it have side effects?

A: Melatonin is a hormone that the brain makes as it is getting ready to gear down for the night. That is why this compound has a reputation as helpful for sleep.

Melatonin has been used to help people like you reduce their reliance on benzodiazepine or Z-type sleeping pills such as zolpidem (European Journal of Pharmacology, Sept. 5, 2015). A randomized trial showed that melatonin could improve sleep quality in people who have suffered traumatic brain injury (BMC Medicine, Jan. 19, 2018). It also has been used to help cancer patients sleep (Ag-ing Clinical and Experimental Research, October 2013). Melatonin does not appear to trigger serious side effects, although some people report nausea, dizziness or headaches.

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Claustrophobia can turn MRI into torture

Difficult to endure noisy tube; 'open' scans less accurate

BY ERIC PIANIN
The Washington Post

The thought of an MRI scanner, a coffinlike, hard-plastic tube with a ceiling just inches above the patient's eyes, has long filled Patrice Mitchell with dread.

The freelance editor from Rochester, N.Y., has never been afraid of small spaces such as elevators. But she gets intensely claustrophobic when pulling anything — a sweater, for example — over her face and it gets caught. "If it gets stuck momentarily," she says, "I immediately start to feel quite panicky and feel like I may have trouble breathing."

Short of invasive surgery to probe for suspected cancerous tumors, brain aneurysms, heart problems, abdominal infections and spinal problems, nothing is more effective at unmasking an ailment than cramming a patient into a doughnut-shaped tunnel armed with formidable magnetic imaging capability.

But Mitchell — like many other Americans — has had to come up with coping mechanisms to endure scanning to address years of medical problems and sports-related injuries.

First there were cervical spine and herniated disc symptoms that landed

Mitchell in an MRI scanner in 1992. A decade later, she had scans for worsening headaches and to rule out metastatic breast cancer. Then she had to deal with a shoulder injury in 2013 from too much swimming. And in October, she was back in an MRI scanner for the 11th time — checking for leaks in a breast implant that had been inserted after cancer surgery.

Doctors and radiology specialists use plenty of tricks to try to ease patients' fears, and Mitchell, 64, has tried many of them. For her first two scans, her doctor prescribed anti-anxiety medication to calm her nerves. The drugs helped a



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An MRI scan can be scary for claustrophobic people, but there are ways to alleviate anxiety. One patient found simply keeping her eyes closed helped.

lot, but Mitchell said she didn't want to become dependent on them to get through an MRI.

Once, a scheduler urged Mitchell to bring along a CD of her favorite music, and the staff arranged to pipe the music into the MRI tube to help her relax. Finally, Mitchell realized that if she simply kept her eyes closed throughout the session, she would be OK or even nod off.

"It helps overall when you have a nice, kind tech who fosters a soothing atmosphere," she said.

The magnetic resonance imaging machine is a superconducting magnet coiled in wire that bounces pulsing radio waves off patients and creates three-dimensional pictures of their anatomy on a computer. MRIs are especially good at creating images of thin slices of the brain, heart, lung, spine and soft tissue; these images can be studied from different angles by radiologists.

Experts say MRIs provide a far more revealing image than an X-ray or CT scan, which use small levels of radiation. MRI scanners rely solely on magnetic imaging and do not emit radiation.

And while there are many "open" MRI scanners

on the market that are far less confining and enable patients to look out through openings on the sides of the machines, experts say they aren't nearly as accurate as the "closed" equipment that so unsettled Mitchell.

Some industry advocates of "open" MRIs say that patients with claustrophobia are far better off using one of their products and getting through the scan, even if the machines produce lesser-quality images. Yet generally speaking, closed MRIs are four or five times as powerful as open MRIs, when measured by their magnetic field strength.

"Traditional MRIs — the ones that most people think of being a tube — have always offered the best image quality because they are stronger. They have a stronger magnetic field," said Dennis Agostino, the technical imaging coordinator for Johns Hopkins Health System in Baltimore. "The magnetic field within the scanner is more homogenous. It's smoother, which generally gives a clearer picture."

About 36 million MRI procedures were performed in the U.S. in 2017, down 8 percent from the previous year, according to

a study by IMV, a market research firm.

As many as 5 percent of Americans may suffer from claustrophobia in some form, according to HealthResearchFunding.org, and up to 13 percent of patients who received an MRI reported having a panic attack.

Patients experiencing pain or discomfort may have trouble remaining still on a hard gurney for as long as an hour or more, according to physicians and radiologists. And some are rattled by the incessant banging sound created by the pulsating magnetic coils.

Simply worrying about the MRI in advance of the procedure can be enough to set a patient's nerves on edge. And fear of what serious medical problems the imaging might reveal significantly adds to the anxiety.

"There's a percentage of the population that flat-out will not be able to get an MRI, just because the claustrophobia is so intense," said Mike Skok, a senior executive at Provident Medical Equipment, an Ohio company that specializes in new and refurbished MRI equipment.

Eric Pianin is a freelance writer.

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Weighing end of life surgery

Operations may not benefit frail, elderly patients

BY LIZ SZABO
Kaiser Health

At 87, Maxine Stanich cared more about improving the quality of her life than prolonging it.

She suffered from a long list of health problems, including heart failure and chronic lung disease that could leave her gasping for breath.

When her time came, she wanted to die a natural death, Stanich told her daughter, and signed a “do not resuscitate” directive, or DNR, ordering doctors not to revive her should her heart stop.

Yet a trip to a San Francisco emergency room for shortness of breath in 2008 led Stanich to get a defibrillator implanted in her chest — a medical device to keep her alive by delivering a powerful shock. At the time, Stanich didn’t fully grasp what she had agreed to, even though she signed a document granting permission for the procedure, said her daughter, Susan Giacquinto.

That clarity came only during a subsequent visit to a different hospital, when a surprised ER doctor saw a defibrillator protruding from the DNR patient’s thin chest. To Stanich’s horror, the ER doctor explained that the device would not allow her to slip away painlessly and that the jolt would be “so strong that it will knock her across the room,” said Giacquinto, who accompanied her mother on both hospital trips.

Surgery like this has become all too common among those near the end of life, experts say. Nearly 1 in 3 Medicare patients undergo an operation in the year before they die, even though the evidence shows that many are more likely to be harmed than to benefit from it.

The practice is driven by financial incentives that reward doctors for doing procedures, as well as a medical culture in which patients and doctors are reluctant to talk about how surgical interventions should be prescribed more judiciously, said Dr. Rita Redberg, a cardiologist who treated Stanich when she sought care at the second hospital.

“We have a culture that believes in very aggressive care,” said Redberg, who specializes in heart disease in women at the University of California at San Francisco. “We are often not considering the chance of



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benefit and chance of harm, and how that changes when you get older. We also fail to have conversations about what patients value most.”

While surgery is typically lifesaving for younger people, operating on frail, older patients rarely helps them live longer or returns the quality of life they once enjoyed, according to a 2016 paper in *Annals of Surgery*.

The cost of these surgeries — typically paid for by Medicare, the government health insurance program for people over 65 — involve more than money, said Dr. Amber Barnato, a professor at the Dartmouth Institute for Health Policy and Clinical Practice. Older patients who undergo surgery within a year of death spent 50 percent more time in the hospital than others, and nearly twice as many days in intensive care.

And while some robust octogenarians have many years ahead of them, studies show that surgery is also common among those who are far more frail.

Eighteen percent of Medicare patients have surgery in their final month

of life and 8 percent in their final week, according to a 2011 study in *The Lancet*.

More than 12 percent of defibrillators were implanted in people older than 80, according to a 2015 study. Doctors implant about 158,000 of the devices each year, according to the American College of Cardiology. The total cost of the procedure runs about \$60,000.

Procedures performed in the elderly range from major operations that require lengthy recoveries to relatively minor surgery performed in a doctor’s office, such as the removal of nonfatal skin cancers that would likely never cause any problems.

Research led by Dr. Eleni Linos has shown that people with limited life expectancies are treated for non-fatal skin cancers as aggressively as younger patients. Among patients with a nonfatal skin cancer and a limited time to live, 70 percent underwent surgery, according to her 2013 study in *JAMA Internal Medicine*.

Surgery poses serious risks for older people, who weather anesthesia poorly and whose skin takes long-

er to heal. Among seniors who undergo urgent or emergency abdominal surgery, 20 percent die within 30 days, studies show.

With diminished mental acuity and an old-fashioned respect for the medical profession, some aging patients are vulnerable to unwanted interventions. Stanich agreed to a pacemaker simply because her doctor suggested it, Giacquinto said.

Many people of Stanich’s generation “thought doctors were God. They never questioned doctors — ever,” Giacquinto said.

Dr. Margaret Schwarze, a surgeon and associate professor at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, said that older patients often don’t feel the financial pain of surgery because insurance pays most of the cost.

When a surgeon offers to “fix” the heart valve in a person with multiple diseases, for example, the patient may assume that surgery will fix all of her medical problems, Schwarze said. “With older patients with lots of chronic illnesses, we’re not

really fixing anything.”

Even as a doctor, Redberg said, she struggles to prevent other doctors from performing too many procedures on her 92-year-old mother, Mae, who lives in New York City.

Redberg said doctors recently treated her mother for melanoma, the most serious type of skin cancer. After the cancer was removed from her leg, Redberg’s mother was urged by a doctor to undergo an additional surgery to cut away more tissue and nearby lymph nodes, which can harbor cancerous cells.

“Every time she went in, the dermatologist wanted to refer her to a surgeon,” Redberg said. And “Medicare would have been happy to pay for it.”

But her mother often has problems with wounds healing, she said, and recovery would likely have taken three months. When Redberg pressed a surgeon about the benefits, he said the procedure could reduce the chances of cancer coming back within three to five years.

Redberg said her mother laughed and said, “I’m not interested in doing something that will help me in

three to five years. I doubt I’ll be here.”

The momentum of hospital care can make people feel as if they’re on a moving train and can’t jump off.

The rush of medical decisions “doesn’t allow time to deliberate or consider the patients’ overall health or what their goals and values might be,” said Dr. Jacqueline Kruser, an instructor in pulmonary and critical care medicine and medical social sciences at Northwestern University’s Feinberg School of Medicine.

Many hospitals and health systems are developing “decision aids,” easy-to-understand written materials and videos to help patients make more informed medical decisions, giving them time to develop more realistic expectations.

Maxine Stanich had Redberg deactivate her defibrillator, which can be reprogrammed remotely.

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Calcium supplements tied to higher odds of colon polyps

HealthDay

Could the calcium supplement you take to help your bones be harming your colon?

That's the suggestion from a new study that finds a link between the daily supplement and an increased risk for polyps in the colon.

Polyps are not cancerous, but some can eventually turn into cancer if they're not removed.

Further research is needed to confirm the find-

ings. But if calcium supplements do boost the risk of polyps, "this has important public health implications" for colon cancer prevention and screening, the study authors concluded.

The researchers added that millions of people worldwide take calcium supplements and that any possible risks have to be weighed against potential benefits.

The study was led by Dr. Seth Crockett of the University of North Carolina School of Medicine in

Chapel Hill. His team tracked outcomes for 2,000 people, aged 45 to 75, who all had a history of polyps.

The study participants were randomly assigned to take either daily calcium supplements, daily vitamin D supplements, both, or neither for three or five years.

Those who took calcium alone or a combination of calcium and vitamin D were more likely to have polyps six to 10 years after the start of the study, the findings showed.

Women and smokers appeared to be at higher risk when taking calcium supplements, but not vitamin D alone, Crockett's team found.

The researchers also said that while calcium supplements were associated with an increased risk of polyps, calcium obtained solely through food in the diet was not.

Dr. David Bernstein, a New York gut specialist who wasn't involved in the study, said it does give doctors and patients pause

for thought. He stressed, however, that while polyps were more likely in the supplement users, "no colon cancers were found in the follow-up period" among the study participants.

Still, based on the new findings, Bernstein believes that "vitamin D and calcium supplementation should only be used for an appropriate medical indication."

And for those who do take the supplements for a good medical reason — for example, weakened bones



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Calcium supplements carry both risks and benefits.

— a regular colonoscopy is recommended, Bernstein said.

The study was published online in March in the journal Gut.



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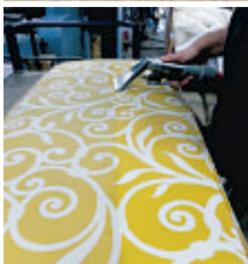
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Dredge them one by one through the flour, coating each on all sides.



Dip them next into the egg-and-water wash, letting any excess drain off.



Finally, dip them into the breadcrumbs, rolling to coat them completely.

CRAVING: FRIED FOODS

The ins, outs of croquettes

Give leftovers elevated status as balls of tasty, golden goodness



JAMES P. DEWAN
Prep School

See, this is why I'm glad I'm not learning English as a second language. If I were a native Bhutanese Dzongha speaker, for example, I'd be hard-pressed to differentiate between the King of the Wild Frontier, a bite-size, deep-fried treat and a lawn game of wooden balls and mallets. Being a Sanguine-American, though, I know immediately that it's Crockett, croquette and croquet.

And, while all three are undeniably a few of my favorite things, today we'll focus on the treat and save Fess Parker and his wickets for another day. Today is all about croquettes.

Why you need to learn this

As the heart longs for flowing streams, so longs my soul to put leftovers to good use. And leftovers disguised as croquettes? Why, they're like those aliens that walk among us in human form: You'll never know. Until it's too late.

The steps you take

The word "croquette" takes its name from the French and simply means crunchy and small. Like a June bug. Tantalizingly old-school, the outside of a well-made croquette is fried to a Pavlovian golden brown, with an inside as tender and moist as the tears of



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Fry the breaded croquettes in batches, until they're golden brown on all sides and the filling is warmed — about two to three minutes should do it.

an orphaned squid.

While modern croquettes typically are made from scratch, the original intent was to use up delicious bits of leftover meat, poultry, fish, vegetables ... you name it. Now, I'm no Carl Linnaeus, but a croquettish taxonomy might argue for a couple of general categories: those bound with a thick sauce and those bound

with egg.

The first category uses your basic leftovers: grilled chicken, baked ham, roasted saddle of veal (as if!). Those main ingredients are minced (or ground handily in your food processor) and mixed with other flavoring ingredients (onions, celery, herbs, etc.). Make sure everything is minced fine enough to produce that tender

moisture we referenced earlier. Then the whole shebang is cohered with a very thick bechamel or veloute.

(Tell me you don't remember your mother sauces? Well, Forgetty McForgetful, bechamel is milk thickened with white roux and veloute is white stock thickened with blond roux. Then ... oh, no, you haven't forgotten roux,

too? Don't make me come over there. Equal parts fat and flour? Cooked together to shades of white, blond or brown? Yes? No? Roux? Sigh.)

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Who makes the best frozen fries? We test nine brands. **Page 6**

REVIEW Band of Bohemia ★★★

Ian Davis is a chef to watch

Stunning but approachable dishes work with brewpub's creative quaffs

BY PHIL VETTEL
Chicago Tribune

Band of Bohemia describes itself as the country's "first Michelin-rated brewpub," and the restaurant indeed makes various beers on the premises, and does have one or two menu items that might pass for pub food.

But "brewpub" is a mighty weak descriptor for the sophisticated, unique synthesis of this Ravenswood destination.

The beers, by co-founder and head brewer Michael Carroll, are

creative quaffs that incorporate such ingredients as beets, pears, toasted fennel and jasmine rice (the creations change regularly).

There's also a remarkable wine list, overseen by co-founder Craig Sindelar, and a terrific sommelier in the well-traveled Richard Richardson (Alinea, A10 and more).

The clever cocktail program is run by bar lead Chris Vicic, who, when my wife made her temporarily-without-alcohol status known, accommodated her with a couple of bright, nicely balanced, ad hoc mocktails.

The newish executive chef (on board since July) is Ian Davis, and remember that name. The 33-year-old has a glittering resume that lists work at Jean Georges and Momofuku (where he was chef de cuisine) in New York, and Blackbird and Tru in Chicago. At Band of Bohemia, he's creating visually stunning yet highly approachable dishes that work hand-in-glove with Carroll's creative urges.

In what surely is a sentence

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The fried eggplant at Band of Bohemia is served on naan brushed with Old Bay butter, along with Old Bay aioli and pickled sport peppers.

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Dishes impress even without beer

Bohemia, from Page 1

that never will be uttered again, Sindelar praised Davis' beer-friendly work: "He's got a new carrot lasagna coming out," he said, "which will go great with our new beet beer."

There may indeed be food-beer affinities in Davis' dishes, but they exist in some back-of-the-mind realm, undetectable without some hint from Band of Bohemia's omniscient servers. Davis' stand-on-their-own compositions would impress even if beer were not part of the equation. (Though, at this place, where's the fun in that?)

At his simplest, Davis manages to make smoky pieces of sturgeon on toasted sourdough sing, with the help of huckleberry jam and just-this-side-of-liquid egg yolk. Overlapping sheets of nearly translucent kohlrabi hide a treasure of heirloom carrots and hazelnut-pistachio crumble. Tightly wound strips of lobster tagliatelle are graced with king crab meat and matsutake mushroom butter, in a bit of richness-on-richness indulgence.

More in-depth work pairs cornmeal-fried eggplant with rounds of in-house naan brushed with Old Bay butter, abetted by Old Bay aioli and pickled sport peppers. A thick cube of suckling pig rests in a broth made from milk in which the pig was braised, fortified with clams, oyster leaf and poblano in a most improbable surf and turf.

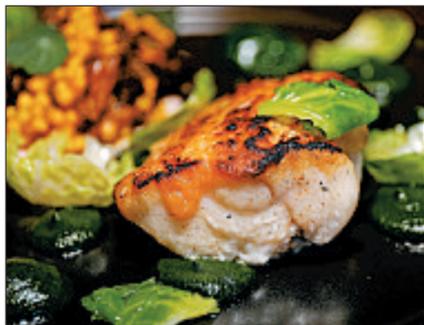
The baked "foie-laska," a seared and cross-hatched slab of foie gras blanketed by a torched meringue of duck-egg whites and pears, surrounded by vanilla-pear foam, nimbly balances sweet and savory notes; this is the sort of dish for which diners will clamor.

Main courses include duck in two forms. There are the circular ravioli of spinach, ricotta and duck confit, topped with hearts of palm and grated pecorino, a fine entree. And then there is the superstar entree: duck breast coated with toasted curry spices,



TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Band of Bohemia, a sophisticated destination in Chicago's Ravenswood neighborhood, describes itself as the country's "first Michelin-rated brewpub."



Monkfish served with chestnut puree.



Spiced duck with crisped rice and bok choy.



For dessert, fermented-banana cheesecake.



The kitchen team is led by executive chef Ian Davis, center, who has been on board since July. He's aided by pastry chef George Kovach, left, and sous chef Eric Vollono.

presented in long rectangles with crisped-rice cubes, dots of coconut puree and scorched bok choy; this dish is sensational.

I was also wowed by the chicken, dusted with guajillo spice and lime and served with a deep and dark ancho-pasilla mole, dots of horchata and sesa-

me, and mezcal-infused sesame crumble, and by beautifully prepared monkfish with chestnut puree, saffron pearl pasta and Brussels sprout leaves.

Band of Bohemia

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George Kovach offers some nifty desserts, chief among them a tuffet of fermented-banana cheesecake with guava-passion-fruit gelee, coconut sorbet, macadamia crumble and finger lime, a dish so pretty that the intrusion of my fork felt briefly like desecration. I had fewer qualms about the "foie-sicle" (they do love foie gras here), mostly because the combination of foie, blackberry, white chocolate and white-chocolate

crunch was served, as I suppose it should be, on a stick.

When Band of Bohemia made its debut in late 2015, the menu was explicit in its food-beverage match instructions. Today, the restaurant's mission well-established, Sindelar and Carroll are content to let servers handle that task, which they do with considerable grace.

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The ins and outs of croquettes

DeWan, from Page 1

As you'll no doubt recall, the ratio for the average mother sauce is 8 parts liquid to 1 part roux. For croquettes, though, you need a sauce thick enough to wear a dunce cap, about a 2-to-1 ratio. That way, when you chill it, it becomes stiffer than sister's wimple and easy to form into various shapes.

Now, the ink from that previous sentence isn't even dry and I can already hear your plaintive cry, "What's the ratio of sauce to main ingredient?" Well, you want very roughly about a 2-to-1 ratio of main ingredient to sauce, or just enough sauce to hold everything together.

The second group of croquette varieties have nothing but egg to bind them, usually about 1 egg per pound of main ingredient. These croquettes often are based on potato or seafood.

Leftover mashed potatoes make for great croquettes, and you can add other flavoring ingredients as instructed by your alien overlords: bacon, ground beef, cheese, herbs, whatever sounds good. Just make sure all the ingredients are cooked beforehand (except for cheese and herbs) and finely minced for that luscious

interior.

Unlike most other croquettes, the main ingredient for the seafood variety may start off fresh or cooked. Also, the result can be indistinguishable from what we might call a crab-cake or salmon patty.

Regardless of the main ingredient or the particular species of croquette, what they all have in common is a breadcrumb coating. I recommend a classic three-step breading: Dredge the formed croquettes in flour, then dunk them in egg wash before tossing them with breadcrumbs. After that, the whole lot is fried in oil to that crisp, golden brown we were talking about.

Now, here's a piece of very good advice: Don't form all your croquettes until you have formed, cooked and tasted one. If it's right, go ahead and make the rest. If it needs fixing (more salt, for example), fix it, then form and cook another one. See, you want to avoid making the whole batch only to find there's something wrong, such as they need more salt, or less. What could be worse? (OK, discovering your beloved spouse is an alien colonist.)

The last thing I'll mention is the great culinary truth that pretty much everything, croquettes

Chicken croquettes

Prep: 10 minutes Cook: 2 to 3 minutes per batch

Makes: about 20 croquettes

- 1 rib celery, minced
- 1/2 small onion, minced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 stick (4 ounces) butter
- 1 cup flour
- 2 cups chicken broth, milk or mixture of both
- 1 1/2 pounds cooked chicken meat, shredded or cubed
- 2 teaspoons freshly chopped parsley leaves
- Salt and pepper as needed
- Breading:**
- Flour as needed, about 1 cup
- 2 eggs mixed with 1 tablespoon water
- Breadcrumbs as needed, about 1 cup
- Vegetable oil as needed

1 In a heavy-bottom saucepan over medium-high heat, cook celery, onion and garlic in butter until soft, 3 to 4 minutes. Sprinkle 1 cup flour over and cook, stirring, 3 minutes. Stir in broth, bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer, stirring, 5 minutes. Remove from heat.

2 Fold in chicken and parsley; season to taste with salt and pepper, then refrigerate until cold, about 1 hour.

3 For breading, place flour, egg wash and breadcrumbs in separate shallow bowls. Form croquettes by rolling 2 ounces of chicken mixture into spheres or cylinders. Dredge each cylinder in flour, dip in egg wash, then coat in breadcrumbs.

4 Heat 2 inches of oil in a heavy-bottom pot to 350 degrees. Fry croquettes, in batches, turning occasionally, until golden brown on all sides and warmed through, 2 to 3 minutes. Drain croquettes on paper towels. Repeat with remaining ingredients; serve immediately.

Nutrition information per piece: 178 calories, 10 g fat, 4 g saturated fat, 59 mg cholesterol, 13 g carbohydrates, 0 g sugar, 11 g protein, 466 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

included, needs a sauce. Try not to blanch, Blanche; it's not as bad as all that. Look, you've ordered poppers at dive bars and the Appetizer Volcano at Johnny Crappola's Pizza

Gazebo. They always come with something, right? Chipotle mayo or simple marinara or garlic butter or blue cheese dressing or or ... you get the picture, right? Croquettes are fried.

Mashed potato, bacon and cheddar croquettes

Prep: 10 minutes Cook: 2 to 3 minutes per batch

Makes: about 20 pieces

If you don't have leftover mashed potatoes, just boil 3 russets, then peel, mash with a little butter and season to taste with salt.

- 2 cups leftover mashed potatoes
- 2 egg yolks
- 1/2 cup grated cheddar cheese
- 6 strips bacon, crisped, crumbled
- 2 tablespoons parsley or chives, finely chopped (optional)
- Salt and pepper
- Breading:**
- About 1 cup flour
- 2 eggs mixed with 1 tablespoon water
- About 1 cup breadcrumbs
- Vegetable oil as needed

1 Combine mashed potatoes, yolks, cheddar, bacon and optional parsley or chives in a bowl. Taste for seasoning. Add salt and pepper, if needed. Cover and refrigerate until cold, about an hour.

2 Form croquettes by rolling potato mixture into 2-inch by 3/4-inch cylinders. For breading, place flour, egg wash and breadcrumbs in separate shallow bowls. Dredge each cylinder in flour, dip in egg wash, then coat in breadcrumbs.

3 Heat 2 inches of oil in a heavy-bottom pot to 350 degrees. Fry croquettes, in batches, turning occasionally, until golden brown on all sides and warmed through, 2 to 3 minutes. Drain croquettes on paper towels. Repeat with remaining ingredients; serve immediately.

Nutrition information per piece: 98 calories, 5 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 42 mg cholesterol, 9 g carbohydrates, 0 g sugar, 4 g protein, 160 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

Serve a sauce with it, even if it's just ketchup (Trust me, my 12-year-old would be on that like stink on a monkey, as the kids like to say. The kids still like to say that, don't they? Stink on a

monkey?) Now, go make us some dadgum croquettes.

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Swig or savor wine? Mindset matters



MICHAEL AUSTIN
The Pour Man

Let's hope that your wine never tastes like cocktail sauce, that zippy red stuff that comes with shrimp appetizers and raw oysters on the half shell. But let's also use those two words — cocktail and sauce — individually and completely unrelated to the zippy red sauce, to get to the bottom of when and how the wine you drink can reach its full potential. Is your wine at its best as a "cocktail" or a "sauce"?

Sometime in the 1980s, wine started wedging its way into the consciousness of American nightlife revelers. Wine was steadily becoming a viable drink option, just as a drink, for everyone. Serious wine consumers had been enjoying wine regularly with meals for years, but in those big-hair days, good wine was becoming much more available.

Today, wine-as-cocktail remains a viable option, a different context from wine-as-aperitif. Enjoying a glass to wake up the palate and stimulate the appetite is one thing; ordering several glasses of wine over a few hours in a bar is another. There's nothing wrong with it if it works for you, but to me it's sort of like eating frosting directly from the bowl. Isn't it better on cake?

In my opinion, wine is most limited as described above, when it is used purely as a social lubricator. You might notice an aroma or flavor that is pleasing to you, but how often are you going to focus on that, and be mindful of it as you work your way through the glass? Wine in this situation is the equivalent of background music.



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Wine is most limited when used as a social lubricator. It is at its best and most powerful when it is paired with food in an extended dining experience.

When wine becomes part of planning an event, though, it has an opportunity to enhance whatever you are doing. This is about putting yourself in the right mindset to enjoy wine — like making a plan to drive to the other side of the island to take in the sunset with a couple of bottles of wine and some simple bites of food. Your brain can contemplate all of it at once: the natural beauty before you; the freeze-frame moment of your life; the comfort of a folding chair with a perfect backrest angle; the deliciousness

of the wine; and those snacks, despite their simplicity, taste so good that they are worth mentioning out loud. Moments like those are always better with good wine.

Wine is at its best and most powerful when it is paired with food in an extended dining experience. The setting doesn't need to be formal, just intentional. The focus, in this case, is eating good food and drinking good wine. Wine is the "sauce," helping to augment the food's flavors, but also everything else about the

experience like your conversation and your gratefulness for the moment. The aromas and flavors of food and wine have an ability to trigger pleasant memories from your distant past, and also spur you to talk about new ideas — all of it eventually circling back to the sheer pleasure you derive from those aromas and flavors.

When your belly is full and your mind is swimming with blissful thoughts, the possibilities of the world, or at least your journey in it, appear to be endless. And they are.

Food and wine is culture, and being in the midst of experiencing it allows us to access a place in our minds that is not always available. It is a place of openness, of temporary fearlessness and vision. And that's not just the wine talking. The great quote from Virginia Woolf says it better: "One cannot think well, love well, sleep well, if one has not dined well."

Slow down when it's time to make a decision about socializing or dining with wine. Drink it by the glass all night in a bar if that's your thing — and play

all the Tears for Fears hits you used to love in the '80s. But try to also be the person who sets in motion the situations and events that will be impactful, memorable and edifying in every way, as much for the body and mind as for the soul. Otherwise you won't be getting all that wine has to give you. And if that's the case, why not drink something else?

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A mix of grapefruit, blood oranges and mandarins forms the base for this salad, while endive and radicchio provide contrasting bitterness.

Surprise medley

Secrets to the best salads: Freshness, crunch, balance and an unexpected element



JEANMARIE BROWNSON
Dinner at Home

I love salad. What makes a great salad? Fresh, crisp produce. What makes a salad extraordinary? Balance and surprise.

As in a stunning salad made from four citrus fruits, hearty endives and colorful chicories on the menu at The Progress in San Francisco. There, chef-owners Stuart Brioza and Nicole Krasinski shave ricotta salata in thin curls over the salad to transport it well beyond any predictable bowl of greens.

Of course, salads prove best when composed with in-season produce. The neat and tidy piles of red and green radicchios, endives and chicories we spied on a visit to the San Francisco farmers market in the Ferry Building help demystify the chefs' creation. Likewise, the inspiring variety of fresh, seasonal citrus at nearby stalls.

Back home, I am happy to find a wide selection of citrus in large supermarkets. That means I can add wedges of satsuma mandarins and slices of oro blanco grapefruit and blood orange to my salad and Meyer lemon in the dressing.

As for the greens, I turn to Deborah Madison for help understanding endive. In her "Vegetable Literacy," Madison writes of the confusing nomenclature of chicories and endive. She gives their Latin names, *Chichorium intybus* and *Chichorium endivia*. What really matters to me is that these are greens with sturdy leaves and slightly bitter flavors — delicious for pairing with the citrus.

Most of us can find plump heads of Belgian endive and Chioggia radicchio. It's more unusual to find Treviso, those oblong heads that taste milder than Chioggia radicchio. Curly endive and escarole tend to be readily available but require just the right dressing to counter their bitter toughness. I employ vinegars with deep flavor, strong cheese and rich toppings such as toasted nuts, smoked ham and hard-cooked eggs.

Another favorite cold weather salad combines roast chicken with pickles. Yes, chicken salad can be relevant during cold weather months. The trick is to serve the combination without chilling it like we do in summer. Plus, a bit of smoky chipotle in the dressing warms up everything.

The key to good chicken salad is using top-notch chicken, of course. In a pinch, I'll use a rotisserie chicken from the grocery store and pull the meat away from the skin and bones. However, most rotisserie chickens tend to have a mushy texture and dry meat.

Better is homemade roasted chicken — there's no prep time, just oven time. So, when I'm roasting chicken for Sunday dinner, I make an extra for weeknight cooking. One small chicken yields about four cups of shredded meat.

For super moist chicken, I poach boneless skinless pieces in chicken broth. It takes less than 15 minutes to poach chicken this way, and the texture is worth the time. A bonus: flavorful poaching liquid to use in soups or stews later or season with salt and a pinch of curry powder for a liquid, low-calorie snack.

Tips for salad greatness

Homemade dressing. The single best way to improve your salads is to blend a few ingredients in a jar for a superior-tasting, low-sugar, no-preservative topping. Dressings can range from vinegar and oil to more elaborate concoctions with cream, fresh herbs or interesting spices. Homemade vinaigrettes and salad dressings keep well in the refrigerator — a week or so for cream-based, longer for simple vinaigrettes. Use them at room temperature for maximum flavor and palatability.

Freshness. Think freshness from crisp salad greens, crunchy green onions and perfectly ripe tomatoes when in season.

Crunch. Nuts and croutons, obviously, but other options include crisp apples, raw root vegetables such as diced kohlrabi, shredded beets, carrot curls and paper-thin radish slices.

Richness. This could come from a delicious olive oil drizzle, shreds or cubes of cheese, avocado chunks or bits of cooked bacon. A tiny portion of cream, yogurt or sour cream added to a vinaigrette enriches a salad with minimal calories.

Acid. Brighten any salad, any season, with delicious vinegar. I change it up a bit by keeping a stash of cider, malt, sherry, red and white wine vinegars and balsamic vinegars (affordable bottles of red and white as well as a more expensive aged balsamic for judicious drizzling). Fresh lemon, lime and grapefruit juices and bottled yuzu can also form the base of a great vinaigrette.

Salt. Yes, salt can make or break a salad. Most vegetables benefit from a little salt to enhance their natural flavors. Salt can also come in the form of shredded or grated aged cheese, such as Romano or Parmesan.

Protein. Even a side salad offers more long-lasting satisfaction with a bit of protein added. This can be as simple as a few nuts or shreds of cheese. Wedges of hard cooked-egg and canned beans, along with their low cost, have the benefit of adding unique texture, too. With a bit of planning, diced or shredded fully cooked meat, poultry and seafood make a salad a main-dish contender.

Surprise. One surprising ingredient can ward off salad boredom no matter the season. In winter months, clementine or grapefruit segments, sliced olives and diced pickled vegetables prove welcome in just about any salad. During the growing season, I add slices of ripe tomatoes and peaches, asparagus tips and sliced stalks, fresh peas in or out of the pod, ripe berries and shaved summer squash.

Citrus salad with endives and ricotta salata

Prep: 20 minutes **Makes:** 4 servings

I like to use Meyer lemon, walnut oil and Banyuls vinegar in the dressing for this special salad.

- 3 to 4 tablespoons classic all-purpose vinaigrette (recipe at right) made with walnut oil and Meyer lemon zest
- 1 oro blanco grapefruit or pomelo
- 2 blood oranges
- 1 satsuma mandarin or 2 clementines, peeled, sectioned, each section cut into thirds
- 1 large ripe avocado, halved, pitted, diced
- 1 large head or 2 small heads Belgian endive, ends trimmed
- 1/2 small head red radicchio, thinly sliced
- 2 cups torn small leaves of escarole or curly endive
- 1 chunk (about 2 ounces) ricotta salata (or pecorino Romano)
- 1/4 cup roasted and salted pistachio nuts
- Freshly ground black pepper

1 Make the vinaigrette using the ingredients given and following the classic recipe.

2 Peel the grapefruit with a knife as follows: Slice the ends off. Put the grapefruit on the cutting board cut side down. Use a large knife to cut away all the rind and white pith, curving the knife with the curve of the fruit. Then use the knife to slice the grapefruit horizontally into 1/4-inch-thick slices. Do the same with the blood oranges.

3 Arrange the grapefruit and blood orange slices in alternate colors in a ring on a large serving platter. Sprinkle with mandarin segment pieces and then the diced avocado.

4 Cut the endive in half lengthwise; cut crosswise into 1/2-inch-wide slices. Put into a large bowl with radicchio and escarole. Add 2 to 3 tablespoons vinaigrette; toss to mix. Drizzle remaining vinaigrette over the citrus.

5 Arrange the dressed lettuces in the center of the citrus. Use a vegetable peeler to shave the ricotta over the whole plate. Sprinkle with nuts and pepper. Serve immediately.

Nutrition information per serving: 329 calories, 23 g fat, 5 g saturated fat, 15 mg cholesterol, 27 g carbohydrates, 10 g sugar, 9 g protein, 367 mg sodium, 8 g fiber

Classic all-purpose vinaigrette

Prep: 5 minutes

Makes: a generous 1/2 cup

Change the types of oil, vinegar and mustard for flavor variations. Use the agave syrup for a hint of sweetness.

- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 tablespoons mild-tasting oil, such as safflower oil, or bold-flavored oil, such as walnut oil or hazelnut oil
- 3 tablespoons delicious vinegar, such as Banyuls wine vinegar, red wine vinegar or white wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon agave syrup or 1/4 teaspoon sugar, optional
- 1/4 teaspoon grated lemon rind, optional
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Put oils, vinegar, mustard and salt into a jar with a tight-fitting lid. Shake well. Add pepper and mix again. Refrigerate covered up to 2 weeks. Use at room temperature.

Nutrition information per tablespoon: 91 calories, 10 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 0 g carbohydrates, 0 g sugar, 0 g protein, 161 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

Roasted chicken and romaine salad with basil chipotle dressing

Prep: 30 minutes

Makes: 6 servings, 4 as a main dish

When I am short on time, I substitute 1/2 cup ranch dressing blended with 1 tablespoon sherry vinegar and 1 teaspoon pureed chipotle in adobo for the homemade dressing.

- 1 recipe creamy basil chipotle dressing (recipe follows)
- 1/4 cup pecan halves
- 1 medium Honeycrisp apple, quartered, cored, cut into 1/2-inch pieces (1 1/2 cups)
- 1 small kohlrabi bulb (about 5 ounces), peeled, cut into 1/2-inch pieces (or 1/2 cup diced radishes)
- 5 green onions, trimmed, thinly sliced (2/3 cup)
- 2/3 cup diced dill pickles, pickled green beans or pickled okra (from a jar)
- 1/2 cup halved or sliced green or Castelvetrano olives
- 4 cups diced or coarsely shredded roasted or poached chicken (boneless and skinless)
- 1 small head (7 ounces) romaine, quartered lengthwise, then cut crosswise into 1 inch pieces (about 4 cups loosely packed)
- 2 to 3 tablespoons chopped fresh or dehydrated parsley, chives or a combination
- 2 to 4 tablespoons crumbled Cotija or Romano cheese



1 Make the dressing.

2 Put pecans into a small dry skillet. Set over medium heat. Cook and stir until toasted and fragrant, 1 to 2 minutes. Do not walk away or they may burn. Transfer to a cutting board. When cool, cut into small pieces.

3 Put apple, kohlrabi, green onions, pickles and olives into a large bowl; toss to mix. Add chicken and dressing. Toss to mix again. Let stand, 10 minutes.

4 Add romaine and herbs. Toss to mix. Arrange on serving plates. Top with pecans and sprinkle with cheese. Serve.

Nutrition information per serving: 419 calories, 32 g fat, 9 g saturated fat, 95 mg cholesterol, 11 g carbohydrates, 6 g sugar, 24 g protein, 911 mg sodium, 3 g fiber

Creamy basil chipotle dressing: With the blender running, drop 1 peeled shallot and 1 peeled garlic clove into the machine to chop it. Turn off blender and add 1/3 cup olive oil and 1/4 cup creme fraiche or mascarpone. Add 2 tablespoons aged sherry vinegar (or white balsamic vinegar) and 1 teaspoon pureed chipotle in adobo; blend smooth. Add 1 tablespoon dried basil and 1/2 teaspoon each salt and sugar. Process to mix. Transfer to a container with a lid; refrigerate covered up to several days. Use at room temperature.



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Kay Stepkin established the National Vegetarian Museum, set up at Evanston Public Library's main branch until April 2.

Touring vegetarian museum hopes for roots someday

BY CHRISTOPHER BORRELLI
Chicago Tribune

On the second floor of the main branch of the Evanston Public Library, there is a museum that's been making the rounds. The totality of this museum — which does not yet have its own walls or roof or front door or docents or gift shop or overpriced tickets of admission — is a dozen information panels, arranged for casual perusal, high school science fair-style. And a stack of books (donated by the library). And a video installation.

And a recipe for chocolate peanut butter cups from actress Alicia Silverstone.

Still, at least for the time being, this is the National Vegetarian Museum.

On a recent Monday morning, Kay Stepkin, its founder, bounded up the stairs of the library. She asked a librarian what happened to the pamphlets about the museum that she left. They're all gone, he said — her museum has been popular. She looked happy.

And fit, and energetic. Stepkin is 75 and became a vegetarian in 1970, soon after returning home to Chicago from a year in the Bay Area. For the past five years she's been vegan ("It turns out brie can be a very hard thing to give up."). She exercises regularly and hasn't smoked since 1974. She credits her good health and energy partly to her refusal to eat any piece of an animal. However, she added, rolling her eyes, for years she also thought vegetarianism had been invented by hippies in the 1960s. Then she read online about the long history of plant-based diets. And with that, Stepkin became consumed with a single ambition:

"The world needs a vegetarian museum."

She pictures a permanent space for this museum, its own building perhaps, or maybe, more modestly, a dedicated room within an institution like the Field Museum or the Chicago History Museum. Having raised about \$100,000 through grants and donations (from Chicago-area vegetarians), Stepkin hired a museum consultant — Bethany Fleming, a founding curator at the Illinois Holocaust Museum in Skokie, and shepherding

consultant on the National Hellenic Museum in Greentown, which opened in 2011 — to steer her through the process of creating the museum. But so far, though the National Vegetarian Museum was granted non-profit 501(c)(3) status, it also lacks the kind of traditional scholarly foundation of a serious museum. That said, it's not unthoughtful:

Sandwiched between the classical and country CD sections, the museum's primary exhibit is a survey, touching on everything from factory farms to the origin of wheatgrass juice to Chicago comedian Dick Gregory (an early advocate for vegetarians (diets) to Pythagoras (an even earlier advocate). It lists famous vegetarians — da Vinci, Einstein, Flo Rida — and, if nothing else, serves as a quaint reminder that this was once radical.

Stepkin said she is creating a museum for a couple of reasons: First — though "vegetarian" is in the museum's name — she wants the museum to promote a vegan lifestyle; she intends the museum to foster connections between vegetarians or vegans.

Second: "I think the world we are living in is a mess and it would not surprise me if we had another world war, and after World War I and the Great Depression and World War II, vegetarians seemed to lose their message for a while, and I wouldn't want to see us lose that history, or our message ever again, so I think vegetarianism will help make us strong, so people develop a better character, so we can trust and respect each other."

How is this the basis for a museum?
"We are in the middle of an epidemic of sickness, and food will go a long way to helping. We are also in the midst of severe climate change — this affects plant and animal life."

Arguably even more unlikely than fostering world peace: The National Vegetarian Museum plans to make a case for Chicago's seminal role in vegetarian history. Yes, the Hog Butcher for the World, the home of deep-dish (cheese casserole) pizza, the headquarters of McDonald's and Kraft and draconian laws about how to eat hot dogs.

But Stepkin builds a nice argument: The exhibit addresses the Chicago Vegetarian Society (estab-

Stepkin is inspired by the American Writers Museum, which now has a space in Chicago.

lished 1890), and the Pure Food Lunch Room (Chicago's first vegetarian restaurant, est. 1900); leaping from "The Jungle," Upton Sinclair's unsettling study of the Chicago stockyards, which drove many from meat, to the development of vegetarian culture with Vegetarian Times, which started as a mimeographed Chicago newsletter.

So far, being only 12 display boards long right now, the National Vegetarian Museum doesn't find much room yet for Michigan (home to Kellogg, whose founders initially developed its cereals with vegetarians in mind), San Francisco (the spiritual home of vegetarianism) or New England, where "Little Women" author Louisa May Alcott's father established an early vegan community (only to watch it collapse once winter arrived).

Any museum of vegetarianism would require room for irony, for dated stereotypes of vegetarians as flaky and earnest. Though even here, history would swing back to Chicago: John Maxwell, the first American Vegetarian Party candidate for president, a Chicago veggie-restaurateur, was disqualified because he had been born in England.

"People like to think about vegetarians are heavy-handed, but this museum will not avoid humor," Stepkin said, pointing out an editorial cartoon about proper nutrition. Another panel showed a baker at Lakeview's Bread Shop in 1972; a caption beneath the photo explained she was kneading dough by "human rather than machine vibes."

"I have no idea what that means," Stepkin said. And she founded the Bread Shop, in 1971.

Stepkin said she became a vegetarian after reading a page in the James Bond novel "Thunderball": Bond is instructed to relax, eat healthier; "M asks if he knows that we remove 25

nutrients from bread and add back seven and call it 'enriched.' And that just stuck with me. It was Page 9. If I randomly read Page 49, I might not be a vegetarian. I mean, it never occurred to me that food makes us healthy, or that food companies lie."

When she returned to Chicago, she began the Bread Shop on Halsted, a whole-grain bakery that paid employees \$7 a day and a free loaf of bread. Then she started a vegetarian restaurant, Bread Shop Kitchen (now Chicago Diner). But by 1996 she was out of the food business (though she wrote a vegan recipe column, "The Veggie Cook," for the Chicago Tribune from 2011 to 2015) and working as a librarian in Chicago Public Schools. That changed five years ago, when Michael James, former owner of the Rogers Park counterculture staple Heartland Cafe, asked her to come on his long-running Loyola University radio show and talk about the history of vegetarian restaurants in Chicago.

Afterward, inspired, she dreamed of a museum.

At the moment, Stepkin has a two-person board of directors, and a motto for her logo: "For Your Health, Our Environment and All Life." After the Evanston stop ends (on April 2), the museum travels to Rogers Park, Lincoln Park and West Garfield Park. But as for when the National Vegetarian Museum will travel nationally, she's uncertain. Asked how close she is to landing a permanent home for the museum, she mentions being inspired by the American Writers Museum, which spent years as a traveling exhibit before moving into an 11,000-square-foot space on Michigan Avenue last year; but she says most of her time has been taken up planning the touring exhibit.

Asked what a traditional museum about vegetarianism would look like, she's uncertain. Asked what artifacts might be found in such a museum, she's uncertain, but hopes for "great grandchildren" of pioneering vegetarians to "bring us the stuff from their attics."

She's a seed, she seemed to be saying, and beyond that, what grows, she's uncertain.

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CRAVING: FRIED FOODS

Frozen fries step up to plate

Who makes the best? We put 9 brands to the test

BY BILL DALEY
Chicago Tribune

French fries always seem to taste better when dining out, don't they? Maybe it's because the restaurant, whether fast or fancy, knows that fries taste best golden, crispy and aromatic straight from a deep fat bath. Achieving that restaurant flavor with that crispness and aroma at home can be a challenge, especially as so many of us choose the oven over a deep fryer (if we have one).

You can make fries from scratch, but frozen french fried potatoes are an easy alternative to getting fries on the plate at home. All the cutting and peeling, if any, has been done already. Fries now are often sold in 2-pound packages, a size ideal for families, according to Chris Dallas, owner of HarvesTime Foods in Chicago.

So, what's a frozen french fry? The United States Department of Agriculture defines "frozen french fried potatoes" as being prepared from "mature, sound, white or Irish potatoes (*Solanum tuberosum*)." The spuds are washed, sorted, trimmed, "may or may not be cut into pieces." The potatoes are then "processed in accordance with good commercial practice which includes deep frying or blanching in suitable fat or oil." The fries are then frozen and stored.

Food & Dining sampled nine brands of frozen french fries. I went for the basic "straight cut" fries when I could, the skinnier shoestrings when I couldn't. Although Dallas said crinkle cut fries were a best-seller at his Lincoln Square market because they are crunchier, I didn't want the shape to get in the way of the tasting — this was to be all about the fries and their flavor and the degree of crispness plain old straight cut fries could achieve in the oven.

All of the brands I purchased offered instructions for baking in the oven. Indeed, some brands only offered directions for the oven. Others offered instructions for deep frying and pan frying. One even made mention of the electric skillet and the toaster oven.

The frozen french fries were purchased at a Jewel-Osco supermarket in Chicago's Rogers Park neighborhood, Trader Joe's and Whole Foods Market locations near the Chicago Tribune's downtown location, a Target store in the city's Uptown neighborhood and at HarvesTime Foods. I did not buy membership-only club brands because I wanted fries the general public had a reasonable chance of buying. Prices listed are what I paid.

For this tasting, seven brands were cooked in a 425-degree oven (six brands called for 425, one brand called for 420); two other brands were cooked at 450 degrees as called for



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Results

Ranked from best to worst



1. Lamb Weston Hand Cut Style Fries. "Grown in Idaho" proclaims the package front for these skin-on, straight cut fries that combined a creamy interior with what one taster described as a "crackly coating" on the outside that gave a slight but welcome snap. "Tastes like a fry should taste," wrote another taster. \$3.50 for a 28-ounce package.



2. Trader Joe's Handsome Cut Potato Fries. Trader Joe's skin-on fries have a good potato flavor and attractive crispness. But one critic complained of "wildly different textures" and thought some pieces were too small. \$2.49 for a 24-ounce package.



3 (tie). Alexia Organic Yukon Select Fries with a Touch of Sea Salt. "The most like fast-food fries," wrote one taster who liked both the "pleasant creamy interior" and the seasoning. Another thought it, too, tasted like restaurant fries and a third compared it to a baked potato. Naysayers, however, faulted these fries for being too bland and oily. \$4.19 for a 15-ounce package.



3 (tie). Market Pantry Crispy Straight Cut Fries Classic French Fried Potatoes. This Target brand tied with Alexia. Fans liked the potato flavor of these "classic" fries, the fluffy interior and the crisp exterior. "Bleh," wrote one less-than-impressed taster. Another thought the fries were too thick, the middle dry and starchy. \$1.89 for a 32-ounce package.



5. Ore-Ida Golden Fries French Fried Potatoes. These yellow fries had a saltiness some panelists liked. One thought the fries were soft with "crispy corners" while a second complained the fries were "dry, pasty." But a third wrote: "Like fries found on the floorboard of a dirty car. I'd still eat it." Take that, I think, as a nod. \$2.99 for a 32-ounce package.



6. 365 Organic Shoestring French Fries. From Whole Foods Market, these shoestring potatoes with no added salt were "soft inside, crunchy outside, slightly smoky," according to one fan. "Like indifferent fast-food fries," wrote a second taster. Others found these fries "soft, boring" and "sad and steamed." \$2.99 for a 16-ounce package.



7. O Organics Organic Shoestring French Fried Potatoes. This store brand can be found at Jewel-Osco and Safeway supermarkets. The shoestring fries emerged crisp from the oven but were very dark. The browning gave them more flavor. "Much better than they look," a taster wrote. \$3.79 for a 16-ounce package.



8 (tie). Signature Kitchens Classic Cut French Fried Potatoes. A house brand found at Jewel-Osco and Safeway supermarkets, these fries had a creamy interior but were not super crisp. One taster wrote: "Very potatoey and not in a good way." Another grumbled, "Tastes like school cafeteria fries." \$3 for a 28-ounce package.



8 (tie). Roundy's Straight Cut Fries French Fried Potatoes. This Mariano's store brand tied for eighth place. Golden in color, but a critic complained of a gritty interior and little crunch. A few tasters thought some of the fries tasted undercooked. "Oily, dense," wrote another. \$1.99 for a 32-ounce package.

in the package directions. The fries looked underdone to the Tribune test kitchen staff, so an extra two minutes was added to the baking time for all. A few

brands called for spraying the baking sheet with oil or lining the baking sheet with parchment. That was done.

This was a blind tasting, meaning tasters didn't

know which fry was which. Each participant in the tasting was asked to rate each french fry brand on appearance, aroma, texture and flavor. The fries were

served as is, with no added salt and no ketchup.

I can't speak for all tasters, but now I know why ketchup is such a popular condiment with fries. All of

these brands cried out for that distinctive savory touch ketchup provides.

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HOW TO PAIR WINE

Riesling, light reds stand up to beef dish

BY MICHAEL AUSTIN | Chicago Tribune

This complex, hearty dish has sweet, warm and spicy elements and could work well with a red or white wine. Here are three suggestions — a riesling from Germany and two lighter reds from France and Spain — all of which have enough complexity of their own to stand up well to the beef and its supporting flavors.

THE FOOD

Beef curry with onions and pineapple: Season 2 boneless sirloin steaks with salt and pepper. Grill over high heat, turning once, to medium rare, 6 minutes per side. Heat 1 tablespoon canola oil in a skillet over medium-high heat; add 2 medium onions, diced; season with salt. Cook until onions soften, 5 minutes. Stir in 2 teaspoons garam masala; cook, 5 minutes. Cut steak into 1/2-inch chunks; add to skillet. Stir in 1 container (6 ounces) plain yogurt and 1 cup diced pineapple; cook over low heat until warm, 3-5 minutes. Serve over rice, garnished with chopped cilantro. **Makes:** 4 servings

THE WINE By sommelier Alan Beasey of The Purple Pig, as told to Michael Austin:

2016 Max Ferdinand Richter Juffer Sonnenuhr Spatlese Riesling, Mosel, Germany: This complex and balanced wine offers richness, acidity, a bit of sweetness and subtle savory flavors to mirror all of those same qualities in the dish. Extra ripeness in the grapes adds body and texture to the wine, enabling it to stand up well to the heartiness of the beef.

2016 Jean Foillard Beaujolais Villages, Burgundy, France: This wine's notes of ripe, sweet cherries will enhance the dish's sweet onions and tangy pineapple, and the wine's smoky minerality and earthiness will draw in the savory beef. There is also enough body and texture in the wine to balance the richness of the yogurt.

2015 Guimaro Tinto, Ribeira Sacra, Spain: Light and fresh, this red wine has bright, red fruit aromas and flavors that will complement the dish's sweet onions and tangy pineapple. Lush but not heavy, the wine will blend nicely with the yogurt's richness and seared beef's umami flavor. Also, the wine's hints of cinnamon and ginger will brighten the dish's curry spices.



GETTY PHOTO;
CURRY RECIPE BY JOE GRAY

3 spots offer a bevy of breakfast options



INA PINKNEY
Breakfast With Ina

I might have to buy a lottery ticket, because this month was another with three winning breakfasts. And when I'm a winner, so are you!

It's hard to explain my joy and excitement when I find a restaurant that really cares about the guest experience and the food in equal parts. Nothing is haphazard. Nothing is missing.

Each one of these places is entirely different and each one deserves a visit. Soon.

The Gundis Kurdish Kitchen

I admit I had to look at a map to remind myself where Kurdistan was, and when I saw it included part of Turkey, I thought maybe the food was the same. It's not. And for my palate, it's better. The colors, the textures and the flavors make each dish shine.

On my first visit, I played it safe and ordered the zaza omelet with spicy spinach, onion and goat cheese. The fig and walnut pancakes were light and fragrant and delicious.

Meanwhile, the fries had a sprinkling of spice, an addictive flavor, which was my first clue that I had a lot to learn.

My dining partner, chef Chris Koetke, who has traveled the world for Kendall College, explained that the spice I loved is called isot. The dried, flaky chile is not spicy or hot, but it imparts a small, exciting kick to food. He suggested that I buy it at The Spice House and sprinkle it on steak or fish before grilling. I have never turned down his advice.

A second visit required ordering the Kurdish breakfast for two, a table-groaning affair. Expect nothing less than small loaves of warm house-made whole wheat bread, three cheeses, three house-made jams, sweet butter, honey, sesame butter, black and green spiced olives, tomatoes and cucumbers, the aforementioned flavorful fries, crispy warm cheese rolls, scrambled eggs with tomatoes, bell peppers, onions and added protein like lamb, beef or my choice, soujouk, a beef sausage, and lots of Kurdish tea.

Gundis' dining room is open and bright and the service enchanting. What more do you need to know? **Of note:** Full service.



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A tray of fruit preserves, olives and sesame seed tahini butter accompanies fries with isot (a Kurdish chile pepper), cucumbers, tomatoes, cheese, homemade bread, cheese rolls and the zaza omelet with spicy spinach, onion and goat cheese at the Gundis Kurdish Kitchen in Chicago.



ANTONIO PEREZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Baked avocado filled with a poached egg is served up at the Six06 Cafe Bar.

Metered street parking. Delivery.

Find it: 2909 N. Clark St., 773-904-8120.

www.thegundis.com

Hours: 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday; 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday; 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday. Closed Tuesday.

Six06 Cafe Bar

Six06 is a relative newcomer; it opened just a few weeks before I visited, so I wasn't sure what to expect.

What I found was a bright, cheerful long room with a coffee bar on the right and seating against a wall, with more in the back

on the left.

The menu is Greek, with good explanations, and like restaurants in Greece, which stay open all day so people can meet, drink coffee and linger, owners Peter and George Panagakis want you to do the same.

I couldn't pass up the baked avocado filled with a poached egg and spices sitting on top of a breakfast salad with bacon and cherry tomatoes. A thin French omelet of ham, Swiss, mushroom, asparagus and spring onionis cooked until a little tan on one side before being filled and folded. In that tradition, some filling ingredients double as toppings,

allowing you to see and taste them twice.

We also had the French toast, made with house-made brioche. It was moist and creamy, and topped with chocolate and salted caramel sauces, which were not too sweet.

Coffee here is serious business. Caffe Umbria is the house brew, plus real Greek freddo espresso drinks, which uses frothy iced espresso featuring a huge round ice cube. They not only are beautiful to look at but heavenly to drink.

Of note: Metered street parking. Full service. Outdoor and rooftop patios (soon). Late-night music.



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Enjoy the peaceful atmosphere in the cafe area at Marisol, inside the Museum of Contemporary Art.

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Find it: 1641 W. Chicago Ave., 773-929-4911, **www.cafe606.com**

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Marisol

On the corner of Pearson Street and Mies Van der Rohe Way, there's a revolving door to the lower level of the Museum of Contemporary Art. Go in. Walk past the restaurant (open for lunch and dinner) and head right to the brightly lit coffee counter and pastry case. Notice the tables against the wall on your right.

Order the spectacular breakfast sandwich with a baked egg, provolone

cheese, refried lentils and green chili adobe, or the luxurious lox with dill cream cheese and pickled zucchini on rye toast.

OK, maybe get one of the freshly baked pastries with your latte while waiting for your food too.

Mostly, take in the quiet of a museum before it opens.

Of note: Metered street parking. Counter service.

Find it: Museum of Contemporary Art, 205 E. Pearson St., 312-799-3599, **www.marisolchicago.com**

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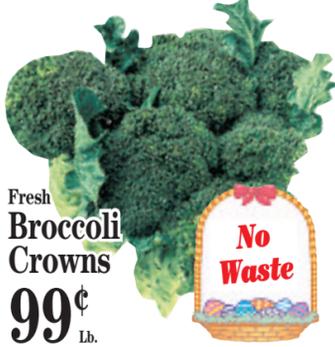
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18 Pk.



\$3.49

Dannon
Yogurt
•Fruit On The Bottom
•Light & Fit •Whole Milk
Selected Varieties
5.3 Oz.



10/\$5

Dean's DairyPure
Whipping Cream
1/2 Pint



2/\$3

Dean's Easter
Egg Nog
Quart



2/\$6

Dean's DairyPure
Buttermilk
Quart

\$1.79

Simply
Potatoes
20 Oz.



\$2.19

Ore-Ida
Just Crack An Egg
3 Oz.



2/\$4

Dutch Farms
Shredded Cheese
•Regular •Fancy
Selected Varieties
6 - 8 Oz.



\$1.89

Dutch Farms
Cheese
Selected Varieties
•Natural Slices 6 Oz.
•Bars 8 Oz.



\$1.89

Dutch Farms
Cheese Spread
8 Oz.



\$2.19

Dutch Farms
Cheese Melt
2 Lb. Loaf



\$3.99

International Delight or
Dunkin' Donuts
Flavored Creamer
Quart



2/\$5

Lactaid
Milk
1/2 Gallon



2/\$6

Nesquik
Milk
14 Oz.



2/\$3

Fair Oaks
Milk
•Whole
•2% Reduced Fat
52 Oz.



2/\$5

Oberweis
Chocolate Milk
1/2 Gallon



2/\$6

Dean's
Cottage Cheese
16 Oz.



3/\$5

Dean's DairyPure
Sour Cream
•Dean's DairyPure
•Breakstone's
•Dutch Farms
16 Oz.

3/\$5

Dutch Farms
Premium Dips
11.5 - 12 Oz.



\$2.19

Dutch Farms
Dips
•French Onion
•Ranch
16 Oz.



3/\$4

Daisy Brand
Cottage Cheese
•Cottage Cheese
•Sour Cream
14 - 16 Oz.



\$1.99

Kraft Philadelphia
Cheesecake Filling
24.3 Oz.



\$3.99

Sargento
Shredded Cheese
Selected Varieties
5 - 8 Oz.



2/\$4

I Can't Believe
It's Not Butter
Selected Varieties
8 - 16 Oz.



\$2.99

Shedd's
Country Croak Soft Spread
45 Oz.



\$2.99

Parkay
Soft Spread
41 Oz.



\$3.79

Parkay
Margarine
Selected Varieties
8 - 16 Oz.



\$1.99

Best Choice
Butter
•Regular
•No Salt
1 Lb. Qtrs.



2/\$5

Sargento
Natural Cheese Slices
Selected Varieties
6.6 - 8 Oz.



2/\$5

Sargento
Balanced Breaks
Selected Varieties
1.5 - 4.5 Oz.



2/\$6

Kraft
Velveeta Shredded Cheese
8 Oz.



\$1.99

Kraft
Velveeta Cheese Singles
12 Oz.



\$1.99

Florida's Natural
Premium Orange Juice
59 Oz.



\$2.99

Dutch Farms
Whipped Topping
6.5 Oz. Can



\$1.69

Dutch Farms
Pudding
22 Oz. Tub



2/\$5

Dutch Farms
Gelatin Rings
19.5 - 24 Oz.



3/\$5

Dannon
Greek Yogurt
•Light & Fit
•Oikos
4 Pk.



2/\$7

Dole
Juice Blends
•Tropicana
Premium Drinks
59 Oz.



2/\$5

Tropicana
Probiotics Juice
32 Oz.



2/\$6

Pure Leaf
Tea
59 Oz.



2/\$4

Dutch Farms
Orange Juice
Gallon



\$3.99

COUNTRY BAKERY

Walt's Own Fresh Baked
Honey Cracked Wheat Bread
1 Lb. Loaf



\$1.99

Walt's Own
Lemon Meringue Pie
8 Inch



\$4.99

Walt's Own Value Pack
Cookie Sale
Assorted Varieties
12 Pk. Pre-Packaged



\$3.49

Walt's Own Fresh Baked
Kaiser Rolls
8 Pk. Pre-Packaged



\$1.99

Olsen's
Cream Cake Loaf
Assorted Varieties 16 Oz.



\$3.49

Walt's Own
Cake Donut Holes
•Plain •Powdered Sugared •Cinnamon Sugared •Granulated Sugared
18 Pk. Pre-Packaged



\$1.79

Walt's Own Homestyle
Dutch Apple Pie
8 Inch



\$4.99

Walt's Own Large
Caramel Iced Cream Cake



\$10.99

Walt's Own
Chocolate Iced Brownies
1/4 Foil Pan



\$4.99

Walt's Own
Magnificent Muffin Sale
4 Pk. Pre-Packaged



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Call ahead to pre-order

Walt's Own Decorated
White or Chocolate Dipped
Mini Egg Cakes
2 Pk. Pre-Packaged



\$2.49

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DeWaffelbakkers
Pancakes
18 - 60 Ct.
2/\$5

Mr. Dee's
Hash Browns
•Shredded
•Golden Rounds
24 Oz.
2/\$5
Mr. Dee's Hash Brown Patties \$1.75 Oz. \$3.99

Mr. Dell's
"All Natural"
Hash Browns
24 - 32 Oz.
2/\$5

Aunt Jemima
Breakfasts
5.25 - 6.8 Oz.
3/\$5

Prairie Farms
Premium
Ice Cream
56 Oz.
2/\$6

Pillsbury Frozen
Pie Crusts
•Regular •Deep Dish
2 Pk.
\$2.29

Flav-R-Pac
Sliced Strawberries
16 Oz. Tub
\$2.49
Flav-R-Pac Polybag Red Raspberries
12 Oz. \$2.99

Marie Callender's
Loaf Cakes
17 Oz.
\$4.99

Marie Callender's
Cream Pie
28 - 36 Oz.
\$6.99

Sara Lee
Pies
•Apple •Dutch Apple
•Cherry •Sweet Potato
•Mince •Pumpkin
34 Oz.
\$3.99

Prairie Farms
Sherbet
Quart
2/\$3

Good Humor
Ice Cream Bars
•Chocolate Eclair
•Strawberry Shortcake
6 Pk.
2/\$7

North Star
Lotta Pops
•Regular
•Patriot
20 Pk.
3/\$8

Klondike
Ice Cream Bars
6 Pk.
\$3.99

Best Choice
Whipped Topping
8 Oz.
99¢

Dean's
Twin Pops
6 Pk.
\$1.79

Nestle
Drumsticks
4 Pk.
\$3.99

Outshine
Fruit Juice Bars
6 Pk.
\$3.99

Dean's
Premium
Ice Cream
48 Oz.
2/\$6

Rosetto
Pasta
19 - 25 Oz.
2/\$9

Flav-R-Pac Polybag Premium
Vegetables
•Baby Lima Beans •Whole Green Beans
•Broccoli or Cauliflower/Florets
•Brussel Sprouts •Leaf Spinach
•Chopped Spinach •Sweet White Corn
•Petite Peas •Asparagus/Cuts
12 Oz.
3/\$5

Birdseye
Polybag Regular
Vegetables
•Regular •Rice •Steamfresh
Selected Varieties
10 - 16 Oz.
99¢

Rhodes
Rolls
Selected Varieties
6 - 36 Ct.
\$4.49

Van de Kamp's
Fish
•Battered Fillets 19.45 Oz.
•Beer/Battered Fillets 19.1 Oz.
•Battered Tenders 18.1 Oz.
•Minced Sticks 24.6 Oz.
•Breaded Fillets 19 Oz.
•XL Sticks 23 Oz.
\$3.99

Campione's
•Five Cheese Garlic Bread 11.75 Oz.
•Garlic Toast 11.25 Oz.
•Garlic Bread Sticks 10 Oz.
•Garlic Bread 16 Oz.
•Garlic Dinner Rolls 8 Oz.
2/\$5

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Steamers
9.5 - 12.33 Oz.
2/\$5

Banquet
Meat Pot Pies
7 Oz.
89¢

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Family Entrees
24 - 27 Oz.
\$2.99

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Entrees
7.5 - 8.5 Oz.
10/\$10

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•Pot Pies
•Dinners
Selected Varieties
12.3 - 18 Oz.
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Soft Pretzels
Selected Varieties
9 - 13 Oz.
\$2.99

White Castle
Cheeseburgers
6 Pk.
\$4.99
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6 Pk. \$4.49

Banquet
Chicken
•Nuggets
•Patties
•Tenders
12 - 15 Oz.
\$2.49

Patio
Burritos
5 Oz.
2/\$1

Walt's
Original Style
Pizza
12 Inch
2/\$9
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7 Inch 2/\$5

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Gluten Free
Pizza
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Pizza
12 Inch
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Pizza
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•Half & Half
12 Inch
3/\$10

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Paas
Egg Dye
•Medium Kit
•5 Ct. Cups
\$1.59

Best Choice
Nasal Decongestant PE 18 Ct. **\$1.49**

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Cotton Swabs 500 Ct. **\$2.99**

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50% Off

Easter
•Plates •Napkins
•Tablecovers 54x108
\$1

Bic Soleil
Women's Razors **\$5.99**
•3 Blade 4 Ct. •Bella 4 Blade 3 Ct.
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Body Wash 18 Oz. **\$3.99**
•Original •Aloe •Moisturizing

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•Max Long 39 Ct.
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\$12.99

Easter
•Grass •Buckets •Plastic Eggs
•Cellophane •Coloring Books
•Jump Ropes •Bubbles •Chalk
•More
\$1

Netherland
Spring Bulbs **2/\$5**
Assorted Varieties

Rubbermaid
Take Alongs 4 Ct. **2/\$5**
Selected Varieties

Crest 3D Whitening
Toothpaste
•Radiant Mint
•Arctic Fresh
•Foam Clean •Mild Mint
4.8 Oz.
\$3.49

GROCERY

Best Choice
Apple Juice
64 Oz.
99¢

Best Choice
Ketchup
38 Oz.
2/\$3

Best Choice
Mustard
20 Oz.
79¢

Best Choice
Pickles
•Sweet
•Dill
16 Oz.
3/\$5

Best Choice
•**Tomatoes**
•**Tomato Sauce**
14.5 - 15 Oz.
2/\$1

Best Choice
Vegetables
•Cut or French Style Green Beans
•Whole Kernel or Cream Style Corn
•Sweet Peas
14.5 - 15.25 Oz.
2/\$1

Best Choice
Mixes
•Seasoning
•Gravy
87 - 1.5 Oz.
5/\$2

Best Choice
Specialty Potatoes
4.7 - 6.6 Oz.
4/\$5

Best Choice
Spices
4 - 5.7 Oz.
89¢

Best Choice
Macaroni & Cheese
•Regular 7.25 Oz.
•Spirals 5.5 Oz.
2/\$1

Best Choice
Granulated Sugar
4 Lb.
3/\$5

Best Choice
All Purpose Flour
5 Lb.
\$1.39

Best Choice
Bags
•Tall Kitchen 22 - 35 Ct.
•Trash 30 Gallon 10 Ct.
•Lawn & Leaf 10 Ct.
\$2.99

Best Choice
Slider Bags
•Freezer
•Storage
10 - 24 Ct.
\$1.99

Best Choice
Saltines Crackers
16 Oz.
4/\$5

Best Choice
Cranberry Cocktails
64 Oz.
3/\$5

Barilla
Pasta
Selected Varieties
12 - 16 Oz.
5/\$5

Ragu
Pasta Sauce
16 - 24 Oz.
2/\$3

Antolina
San Marzano Style Tomatoes
28 Oz.
3/\$4

Antolina
Imported Pasta
•Spaghetti
•Penne/Rigate
•Rigatoni
16 Oz.
88¢

Kellogg's
Cereals
•Frosted Flakes 10.5 Oz.
•Raisin Bran 13.7 Oz.
•Rice Krispies 9 Oz.
•Froot Loops 8.7 Oz.
•Apple Jacks 8.7 Oz.
•Corn Pops 9.2 Oz.
3/\$5
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Pacific
Organic Broth
32 Oz.
2/\$5

Kitchen Basics
Stock
32 Oz.
\$1.89

Kraft
Macaroni & Cheese
•Regular 7.25 Oz.
•Star Wars 5.5 Oz.
88¢

Wesson
Oil
•Vegetable
•Canola
48 Oz.
2/\$5

Maxwell House
Wake Up Roast Coffee
30.65 Oz.
\$5.99

Betty Crocker
Cake Mix
15.25 Oz.
4/\$5

Betty Crocker
Cake Frosting
12 - 16 Oz.
2/\$3

Hershey's or Reese's
Baking Chips
7 - 12 Oz.
2/\$5

Fisher
Walnuts
•Chopped
•Halves & Pieces
10 Oz.
\$3.99

Allegro
•**Barbecue Sauce**
18 Oz.
•**Brisket Sauce**
16 Oz.
3/\$5

Allegro
Nashville Hot Chicken Marinade
12.7 Oz.
\$1.79

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Barbecue Sauce
28 Oz.
\$2.49

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Extra Virgin Olive Oil
16.9 Oz.
\$4.99

Tide Simply
Liquid Laundry Detergent
75 - 100 Oz.
\$5.88

Your Choice!
Charmin Essentials
Bath Tissue
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8 Pk. Regular Rolls
\$5.49

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56 - 64 Ct.
5/\$5

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Liquid Laundry Detergent
43.75 - 50 Oz.
\$2.99

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Liquid Dishwashing Detergent
21.6 Oz.
\$1.99

GROCERY

Regular, Diet
•Coke
•Coke Zero Sugar
•Sprite
 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans or
 8 Pk. 12 Oz. NR Btls.
3/\$11

**•Seagram's
Ginger Ale**
•Fanta
•Minute Maid
**•Barq's
Root Beer**
 2 Ltr.
3/\$3

Powerade
 8 Pk. 20 Oz. Btls.
2/\$8

Arizona
 Tea
 128 Oz.
\$2.49

Regular, Diet
•Pepsi
•Mtn. Dew
•Crush
•Schweppes Ginger Ale
•7Up
•Dr. Pepper
•A&W
•RC
•Sunkist
•Canada Dry
 6 Pk. .5 Ltr. Btls.
5/\$10

Regular, Diet
•Pepsi
•Mtn. Dew
•Crush
 24 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans
\$6.99

•7Up
•Dr. Pepper
•A&W
•RC
•Sunkist
•Canada Dry
 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans
3/\$12

Old Orchard
•Apple Blends
**•Ruby Red
Grapefruit**
 64 Oz.
4/\$5

Ice Mountain
**Spring
Water**
 12 Pk. 8 Oz. Btls.,
 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Btls. or
 6 Pk. 700 ML Sport Cap Btls.
2/\$3
•Snapple Tea
•Sunny D
 16 Oz.
89¢

Regular, Diet
•Mtn. Dew
•Crush
•Lipton Brisk
•Mist Twst
•Schweppes Ginger Ale
•7Up
•Dr. Pepper
•A&W
•RC
•Sunkist
•Canada Dry
 2 Ltr.
99¢

**•Krunchers
Potato Chips**
 8 - 8.5 Oz.
**•Snyder's
Pretzels**
 10 - 12 Oz.
2/\$5

Vitner's
**Potato
Chips**
 6.5 Oz.
3/\$4

Ruffles
**Potato
Chips**
 8.5 - 9 Oz.
2/\$5

Kool Aid
Drink Mix
 2 Qt.
8/\$1

Doritos
**Tortilla
Chips**
 9.25 - 9.75 Oz.
2/\$4

Nabisco
**Ritz
Chips**
**•Toasted
•Crisp & Thins**
 7.1 - 8.1 Oz.
2/\$5

Nabisco Premium
Crackers
•Saltines
•Oysters
 9 - 17 Oz.
2/\$5

M&M's
Crispy
 2.83 Oz. Share Size
3/\$4

Candy
•Hershey's
•Reese's
•Kit Kat
•Almond Joy
•Butterfinger
 1.4 - 1.85 Oz.
4/\$3

Pringles
**Potato
Chips**
 4.9 - 5.5 Oz.
4/\$5

Fisher
Peanuts
•Dry Roasted
•Honey Roasted
 14 Oz.
2/\$5

Orville Redenbacher's
Popcorn
 6 Pk.
2/\$5

Skinny Pop
Popcorn
 4.4 Oz.
2/\$5

Eight O'Clock
**Coffee
K-Cups**
 12 Ct.
\$4.99

Sunshine
**Cheez-It
Crackers**
 6 - 7 Oz.
3/\$5

Aunt Millie's
Bread
•Family Italian 24 Oz.
•Buttertop 22 Oz.
•100% Whole Wheat 22 Oz.
2/\$3

Aunt Millie's
**•Premium
Dinner Rolls**
 17.5 - 18 Oz.
•Rye Bread
 16 Oz.
2/\$4

Brownberry
Bread
 24 Oz.
\$2.99

Butternut
Bread
•Whole Grain White
•100% Whole Wheat
 20 Oz.
3/\$5

Butternut
•Hamburger Buns
•Hot Dog Buns
 12 Ct.
3/\$5

Heinz
Mustard
 14 Oz.
2/\$3

Dixie
Plates
•Everyday
•Ultra Strong
 20 - 50 Ct.
2/\$5

Mardi Gras
Napkins
•Mardi Gras 250 Ct. everyday
•Vanity Fair 80 - 100 Ct.
\$1.99

Kellogg's
•Rice Krispies Treats
 8 Ct.
•Fruit Snacks
 10 Ct.
3/\$5

Keebler
**Fudge
Cookies**
 8 - 13.6 Oz.
2/\$4

Nabisco
 Family Size
•Cookies
 Oreos or Chips Ahoy
•Crackers
 Snack or Ritz
 11.5 - 23.04 Oz.
\$3.49

Kellogg's
**NutriGrain
Bars**
 5 - 8 Ct.
2/\$5

GoGo
**Squeeze
Applesauce**
 12 Ct.
\$5.99

Keebler
•Cracker Sandwiches
 8 Ct.
•Vanilla Wafers
•Animal Crackers
 12 Oz.
3/\$5

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Ham off the Bone
\$3.98
Lb.
\$1.99 1/2 Lb.

Patrick Cudahy
Hard Salami
\$5.98
Lb.
\$2.99 1/2 Lb.

BUY OF THE WEEK!

Eckrich
Deli Bologna
•Regular •Garlic •Lite
\$3.98
Lb.
\$1.99 1/2 Lb.

Eckrich
Deli Loaves
Selected Varieties
\$5.98
Lb.
\$2.99 1/2 Lb.

Dietz & Watson
Black Forest Smoked Turkey Breast
\$8.98
Lb.
\$4.49 1/2 Lb.

Dietz & Watson
All Ham Varieties
\$7.98
Lb.
\$3.99 1/2 Lb.

Tyson

Walt's Deli Hut
Whole Rotisserie Chicken
\$5.99
Ea.



Grandma's
Potato Salad with Egg.....
\$3.29
Lb.

Garden Fresh Sweet
Bowtie Pasta Salad....
\$4.29
Lb.

Garden Fresh Sweet
Broccoli Raisin Salad...
\$7.99
Lb.

Garden Fresh
Summer Cole Slaw.....
\$4.99
Lb.

Garden Fresh Creamy
Egg Salad.....
\$4.29
Lb.

Garden Fresh
Rice Pudding.....
\$3.79
Lb.

Garden Fresh
Tapioca Pudding.....
\$3.79
Lb.

Bobak's
Smoked Polish Sausage.....
\$3.99
Lb.



BUY OF THE WEEK!

Walt's Signature Premium
Brown Sugar Honey Ham
\$4.98
Lb.
\$2.49 1/2 Lb.

Walt's Signature Premium
Oven Roasted Turkey Breast
\$6.98
Lb.
\$3.49 1/2 Lb.

BUY OF THE WEEK!

Oasis Mediterranean
Hummus
Assorted Varieties
10 Oz.
2/\$6

Oasis Mediterranean
Pita Chips
Assorted Varieties
7 Oz.
2/\$6

Dietz & Watson
Gourmet Chicken Breast
\$7.98
Lb.
\$3.99 1/2 Lb.

Dietz & Watson
Yellow American Cheese
\$5.98
Lb.
\$2.99 1/2 Lb.

King's Command
Fully Cooked Meatloaf
24 Oz.
\$7.99



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•Heineken Light
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Hard Seltzer
•Truly
•White Claw
12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans
\$13.99



Carlo Rossi
•Sangria
•Burgundy
•Rhine
Selected Varieties.....
4 Ltr.
\$11.99



Starborough
Sauvignon Blanc.....
750 ML
\$9.99



Riunite
•Peach Moscato
•Lambrusco
•Moscato
Selected Varieties.....
750 ML
1.5 Ltr. \$8.99
\$5.99



Woodbridge
Wine
•Merlot
•Cabernet
•Chardonnay
•Pinot Grigio.....
1.5 Ltr.
\$11.99



Smirnoff
Vodka.....
750 ML
\$12.99



Captain Morgan
Spiced Rum.....
1.75 Ltr.
\$24.99



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\$12.99



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•Michelob Ultra
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